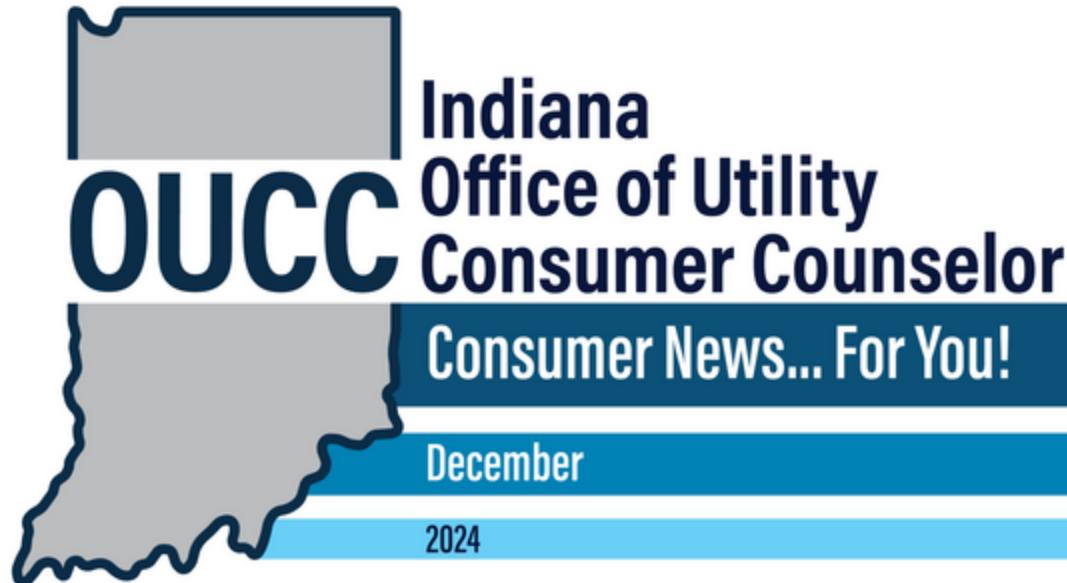


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NIPSCO Case Comments

Consumers can submit [written comments](#) to the OUCC through Dec. 12 regarding Northern Indiana Public Service Company's (NIPSCO's) [electric rate request](#). Comments received by then will be included with the OUCC's testimony for the formal case record.

In addition, the IURC will hold two [public field hearings](#) on Thursday, Dec. 5:

Hammond: 12:30 p.m. Local Time (CST)

Hammond City Hall, Council Chambers Room 209
5925 Calumet Avenue, Hammond, IN 46320

Gary: 5:00 p.m. Local Time (CST)

Gary Public Library - Woodson Branch
501 S. Lake Street, Gary, IN 46403

A November field hearing was held in Valparaiso.

The OUCC and intervening parties are scheduled to file testimony on Dec. 19 with an order expected next summer. Natural gas rates are not at issue in this case.

Data Center Settlement

As data centers are built in Indiana and nationwide, utilities are preparing to meet the demands for additional electricity.

Indiana Michigan Power (I&M) is the first Indiana utility to request approval of new tariff language for these new, large volume customers. The OUCC, Google, Amazon Data Services, Microsoft, the Data Center Coalition, Citizens Action Coalition, and I&M have reached a [settlement agreement](#) that will result in protections for existing customers as data centers connect to the grid and go online.

The settlement is pending before the IURC.

Additional Cases

- The [CenterPoint Energy](#) and [Duke Energy](#) electric rate cases have been fully briefed. Final orders are expected in early 2025.
- Rate case settlement agreements for [Ohio Valley Gas](#) and [Citizens Water of Westfield](#) have received recent approval.
- A Dec. 10 public field hearing is [scheduled](#) in the Pleasantview Utilities rate cases in Connersville.
- Written comments are invited in [Chandler Municipal Water's](#) rate case through Dec. 13.
- Everton Water Corporation is seeking a [rate increase](#) with OUCC testimony due in early January.

Tree Lighting Tips

- **Inspect light strands for cracks & breaks**
- **Don't overload your circuits**
- **Use energy-efficient LEDs**
- **Turn lights off when you leave home or go to bed**



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