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**NIPSCO Files Complaint With FERC Against Midwest ISO
And PJM Interconnection**
Seeks Review of Issues Impacting Electric Reliability

MERRILLVILLE, Ind. – In an effort to ensure its customers will receive reliable electric service this summer, Northern Indiana Public Service Company (NIPSCO) today filed a complaint with the U.S. Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) against the Midwest Independent System Operator, Inc. (MISO) and PJM Interconnection, Inc. (PJM).

“We want to make certain that we are doing everything possible to serve our customers’ electric needs through the summer and into the future,” said NIPSCO President Mark Maassel. “With summer approaching, and predictions of warmer than normal temperatures, we are requesting that FERC address these issues as soon as possible.”

In its filing, NIPSCO is requesting FERC fast-track the complaint and oversee and expedite electric transmission studies being conducted by MISO and PJM concerning transmission operational issues that have been impacting NIPSCO’s transmission system.

MISO and PJM are the Regional Transmission Organizations (RTO) responsible for providing transmission services and for administering energy markets in large areas of the Midwest and Mid-Atlantic regions. Commonwealth Edison (ComEd) and American Electric Power (AEP) are in the PJM RTO. NIPSCO is physically between ComEd and AEP, and is in the MISO RTO. NIPSCO attributes these problems to increased west-to-east power flows over its system.

NIPSCO also is requesting that FERC order MISO and PJM to make all modifications to their Joint Operating Agreement that the studies indicate are needed to prevent any adverse future impacts on NIPSCO’s efforts to provide its customers with a reliable supply of power.

NIPSCO, with headquarters in Merrillville, Ind., is one of the 10 energy distribution companies of NiSource Inc. (NYSE: NI). With nearly 700,000 natural gas customers and 440,000 electric customers across the northern third of Indiana, NIPSCO is the largest natural gas distribution company, and the second largest electric distribution company, in the state. NiSource distribution companies serve 3.7 million natural gas and electric customers primarily in nine states. More information about NIPSCO is available at www.nipSCO.nisource.com.