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NIPSCO Hits New All-Time Peak Electric Demand

MERRILLVILLE, Ind. – Hot and humid weather across Northern Indiana Public Service Company's (NIPSCO) electric service territory today resulted in a new all-time electric demand by customers of 3,222 megawatts. The record, achieved at 2 p.m. CST, eclipsed the previous mark of 3,054 megawatts on Aug. 21, 2003.

During the record demand for electricity, NIPSCO's bulk transmission system experienced no unusual problems and all base-load generating facilities were on line and producing power.

NIPSCO had forecasted today's electric demand would either approach or exceed the previous all-time peak demand set in August 2003 based on Thursday weather forecast and took the necessary steps to prepare for today's record usage.

“Our employees and electric system have met the challenge of today's record electric demand by our customers,” said Jerry Godwin, senior vice president, generation and transmission.

NIPSCO, with headquarters in Merrillville, Ind., is one of the 10 energy distribution companies of NiSource Inc. (NYSE: NI). With approximately 700,000 natural gas customers and 430,000 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.com.

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