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NIPSCO CREWS FOCUSED ON RESTORING POWER TO REMAINING CUSTOMERS

(3 p.m. Update)

MERRILLVILLE, Ind. – Northern Indiana Public Service Company (NIPSCO) crews are focused on restoring power to just over 3,000 customers following a series of major storm systems that rolled through northern Indiana Wednesday evening and early Thursday morning.

We anticipate that several hundred customers will be without electricity into the weekend, as the remaining restoration effort will require extensive reconstruction of the damaged electric distribution system. We appreciate the patience and understanding customers have demonstrated.

NIPSCO crews and contractors have been working around the clock to remove fallen trees, set new utility poles and string new power lines in northern LaPorte and Porter counties. More than 23,000 customers were without power at the height of these powerful storms.

NIPSCO reminds customers to not go near downed power lines and keep children and pets far away. Downed power lines should be reported immediately to NIPSCO at 1-800-4-NIPSCO.

NIPSCO, with headquarters in Merrillville, Ind., is one of the 10 energy distribution companies of NiSource Inc. (NYSE: NI). With over 712,000 natural gas customers and 445,000 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 3.8 million natural gas and electric customers primarily in nine states. More information about NIPSCO is available at www.nipSCO.com.

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