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## NIPSCO ENERGY MINUTE - BILL ASSISTANCE IS AVAILABLE

**MERRILLVILLE, Ind.** – In an effort to help customers manage winter heating bills, Northern Indiana Public Service Company (NIPSCO) today releases the seventh in a series of ongoing public service announcements called “Energy Minute” to print and broadcast media outlets across NIPSCO’s service area. These tips are aimed to help customers manage their energy bills this winter heating season.

**Programs Are Available for Families with Low Incomes.** If you are on a fixed income or a person with low income, there are programs available to help you pay your winter heating bills and weatherize your home. For these and other tips on how to manage your winter heating bills, log onto [www.nipsco.com](http://www.nipsco.com).

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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 3.7 million natural gas and electric customers primarily in nine states. More information about NIPSCO is available at [www.nipsco.com](http://www.nipsco.com).

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