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MAKE HOLIDAY SHOPPING EASY AND CONVENIENT WITH GIFT OF ENERGY CERTIFICATES FROM NIPSCO

MERRILLVILLE, Ind. – With the busy holiday shopping season in full swing, Northern Indiana Public Service Company (NIPSCO) offers a practical gift that will warm the holiday spirit of even the pickiest person on your holiday shopping list: the NIPSCO “Gift of Energy” gift certificate.

NIPSCO “Gift of Energy” gift certificates can be purchased for any NIPSCO natural gas customer, in any dollar amount. Customers interested in purchasing a “Gift of Energy” gift certificate this holiday season should log onto www.nipSCO.com and download the form from DirectLink e-Services’ financial assistance section.

After the form is completed and enclosed with a check payable to NIPSCO, a gift certificate will be mailed to the recipient notifying them of the gift. The amount will then be credited to their monthly natural gas bill. NIPSCO can also send the certificates directly to the person who purchased the, in case they want to personally deliver the gift themselves. Remember to include the recipient’s NIPSCO account number on the form so the gift will be credited to the correct account.

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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