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## **NIPSCO to Upgrade Kokomo Natural Gas System**

*Improvement project ensures safe and reliable service for the future*

**Merrillville, Ind.** — NIPSCO is announcing plans to begin work on a natural gas system upgrade in the City of Kokomo, near the downtown area, as part of the company's long-term modernization plan.

Beginning mid-October, NIPSCO will start construction to upgrade several natural gas regulator stations in Kokomo – the components of the natural gas system that regulates and ensures the safe delivery of natural gas to customers. Additional emergency shut-off valves will also be part of the work being completed.

The project is expected to last through November 2018, weather permitting. Customers in the immediate area are expected to experience minimal interruptions to their gas service and NIPSCO will directly notify affected customers ahead of time.

Temporary road and lane closures may occur with signs and detour routes posted ahead of time.

Please exercise caution as you travel near any construction zone to ensure personal safety and the safety of construction crews working on this project.

NIPSCO will continue to work with the City of Kokomo officials to minimize impact to customers. NIPSCO appreciates the patience of the community during this important system modernization project.

For more information on NIPSCO's modernization efforts, visit [NIPSCO.com/future](http://NIPSCO.com/future).

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