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**Energy Infrastructure Upgrades Continue throughout Northern Indiana**  
*NIPSCO to install new gas line through portions of Crown Point, Schererville and Merrillville*

**Merrillville, Ind.** — Today, NIPSCO announced plans to begin work on installing a new natural gas line through the Towns of Crown Point, Schererville and Merrillville. This project is just one of the existing and future investments planned as part of the company's long-term effort to modernize the gas and electric infrastructure across its entire service area.

Beginning in June, NIPSCO will start construction to install 4.1 miles of an underground natural gas transmission line. Construction will begin on Chase Street to Burr Street along 91<sup>st</sup> Avenue and continue south along NIPSCO's electric corridors to SR 231. Construction is expected to run through September 2016.

Notifications have been sent to residents in the immediate area, and NIPSCO has been working closely with town officials to coordinate logistics.

The new natural gas line will provide safer and more reliable service to area residents and businesses in the future.

Environmental surveys for the project were completed to fully assess environmentally sensitive features within the proximity of the project. As with every project, NIPSCO's project team worked with the regulating agencies and local stakeholders to avoid, minimize and mitigate environmental impacts.

NIPSCO reminds customers who travel near construction areas to please exercise caution to ensure personal safety and the safety of construction crews working on this project.

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

**About NIPSCO:** Northern Indiana Public Service Company (NIPSCO), with headquarters in Merrillville, Indiana, has proudly served the energy needs of northern Indiana for more than 100 years. As Indiana's largest natural gas distribution company and the second-largest electric distribution company, NIPSCO serves approximately 810,000 natural gas and 460,000 electric customers across 32 counties. NIPSCO is part of NiSource's (NYSE: NI) seven regulated utility companies. NiSource is one of the largest fully regulated utility companies in the United States, serving approximately 4 million natural gas and electric customers through its local Columbia Gas and NIPSCO brands. More information about NIPSCO and NiSource is available at [NIPSCO.com](http://NIPSCO.com) and [NiSource.com](http://NiSource.com).

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