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NIPSCO Marks Completion of New 100-Mile Electric Transmission Line Project Strengthens system resilience, reliability and improves access to renewable energy

Merrillville, Ind. — NIPSCO announced today the completion of the new 100-mile Reynolds-Topeka electric transmission line project, connecting NIPSCO's Reynolds substation (in Reynolds, Ind.), Burr Oak substation (in Burr Oak, Ind.) and Hiple Substation (near Topeka, Ind.).

The 345-kilovolt (kV) line will enhance system reliability, offer environmental benefits by increasing access to wind and solar energy, and allow for greater access to supplies of electricity, including improved access to lower-cost electricity for customers.

"The completion of this project provides significant value to our customers and beyond as we further strengthen and enhance our energy infrastructure for the future," said NIPSCO president Violet Sistovaris.

Reynolds-Topeka is one of 17 priority Multi-Value Projects (MVPs) and one of two in Indiana identified by the Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc. (MISO), which controls and operates the transmission grid for all or parts of 15 Midwest U.S. states, including Indiana, and the Canadian province of Manitoba.

The project began in 2012, with construction commencing in mid-2016.

This week also marks the completion of the nearly 70-mile Greentown-Reynolds 765-kV line, connecting the Greentown Station near Kokomo, Ind., to the Reynolds Station located in Reynolds, Ind. Greentown-Reynolds was the second MVP project in Indiana, and it was jointly constructed by NIPSCO and Pioneer Transmission, LLC – a joint venture of Duke Energy and American Electric Power (AEP).

The projects had a combined cost of approximately \$600 million.

About NIPSCO: Northern Indiana Public Service Company (NIPSCO), LLC, with headquarters in Merrillville, Ind.., has proudly served the energy needs of northern Indiana for more than 100 years. As Indiana's largest natural gas distribution company and 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 and www.nisource.com.