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NIPSCO to Upgrade Ft. Wayne Area Energy Infrastructure
Gas line replacement work planned along St. Marys River

Merrillville, Ind. — Today, NIPSCO announced plans to begin work on a natural gas upgrade project in Fort Wayne. 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 April, NIPSCO will start construction to replace 5,000 feet of 16-inch underground natural gas distribution lines with 3,200 feet of 20-inch underground natural gas distribution lines. Construction will occur near the St. Marys River off Riedmiller Avenue, Gruber Avenue and Foster Park. Construction is expected to run from April through September 2016.

Notifications will be sent to residents in the immediate area and NIPSCO will continue to work closely to coordinate logistics with City of Fort Wayne and Fort Wayne Parks & Recreation Department officials.

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.

There will be no interruptions to service during construction.

The new natural gas lines are being installed to provide safer and more reliable service to area residents and businesses in the future.

For more information on NIPSCO's modernization efforts, visit 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 and NiSource.com.

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