

October 29, 2025

Martha Clark Mettler
Assistant Commissioner, Office of Water Quality
Indiana Department of Environmental Management
100 North Senate Avenue, 12th Floor
Indianapolis, IN 46204

**RE: Northern Indiana Public Service Company
R. M. Schahfer Generating Station
NPDES Permit No. IN 0053201
Notice of Planned Participation under 40 CFR 423**

Dear Ms. Clark Mettler:

This letter serves as Notice of Planned Participation under 40 CFR 423 – Effluent Limitations Guidelines (ELG) for the Electric Power Generating Point Source Category. Under the Reporting and Recordkeeping Requirements of 40 CFR 423.19(h), Northern Indiana Public Service Company, LLC (NIPSCO) is hereby notifying the permitting authority that absent a directive to remain open, NIPSCO plans to cease combustion at Units 17 and 18 at the R. M. Schahfer Generating Station by December 31, 2025, and qualify for the reduced requirements for combustion residual leachate (CRL) under the ELG Rule. This notice includes the following information, in accordance with 40 CFR 423.19(h)(2) – i.e., the 2034 subcategory:

Electric generating units intended to achieve the permanent cessation of coal combustion:

RESPONSE: Units 17 and 18 at NIPSCO's R. M. Schahfer Generating Station.

Expected date that each electric generating unit is projected to achieve permanent cessation of coal combustion:

RESPONSE: Absent a directive to remain open, NIPSCO remains on track to cease coal combustion at Schahfer's remaining two coal units by December 31, 2025.

Whether the date above represents a retirement or a fuel conversion:

RESPONSE: Retirement

Whether each retirement or fuel conversion has been approved by a regulatory body:

RESPONSE: On January 31, 2023, NIPSCO filed an Attachment Y Suspension Notice with the Midcontinent Independent System Operator (MISO) indicating retirement of Units 17 and 18 at R. M. Schahfer Generating Station by December 31, 2025. On February 3, 2023, MISO approved the Attachment Y Suspension Notice. This documentation is enclosed with this letter.

What the relevant regulatory body is:

RESPONSE: Midcontinent Independent System Operator (MISO).

Include a copy of the most recent integrated resource plan for which the applicable state agency approved the retirement or repowering of the unit subject to the ELGs:

RESPONSE: In Indiana, utilities are required to submit Integrated Resource Plans (IRPs) to the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission (IURC) every 3 years. While IRPs are submitted to the IURC as part of a legislative process, they are not regulatory filings where formal "approval" is granted. NIPSCO's 2024 IRP documents the planned retirement of Schahfer Units 17 and 18 by December 31, 2025.

Please see NIPSCO's 2024 IRP here:

https://www.nipSCO.com/docs/librariesprovider11/rates-and-tariffs/irp/nipSCO_2024-irp.pdf

Certification of electric generating unit (EGU) cessation under 40 CFR 257.103(b) or other documentation supporting that the EGU will permanently cease the combustion of coal by December 31, 2034:

RESPONSE: Please see the enclosed Demonstration of Site-Specific Alternative Deadline to Initiate Closure of CCR Surface Impoundment Due to Permanent Cessation of Coal-Fired Boilers by a Date Certain Addendum 2 cover letter. Please also see the associated Addendum 2 report, filed with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency pursuant to §257.103(f)(2) here:

https://www.nipSCO.com/docs/librariesprovider11/rates-and-tariffs/ccr/r.m.-schahfer/r.m.-schahfer-generating-station-groundwater-monitoring-and-corrective-action/rm-schahfer-generating-station-wda-part-a-addendum-2-summer-2022.pdf?sfvrsn=d2e31151_3

Timeline to achieve the permanent cessation of coal combustion (include interim milestones and the projected dates of completion):

RESPONSE:

January 31, 2023	Attachment Y Suspension Notice Submitted to MISO
February 3, 2023	Attachment Y Suspension Notice Approved by MISO
June 22, 2023	Submittal of Notice of Planned Participation under 40 CFR 423.19(g)
June 4, 2024	Annual Progress Report Submitted to the Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM)
October 29, 2025	Annual Progress Report Submitted to the Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM)
October 29, 2025	Submittal of Notice of Planned Participation under 40 CFR 423.19(h)
December 31, 2025	Absent a Directive to Remain Open, NIPSCO Remains On Track to Retire Schahfer's Remaining Two Coal Units By This Date

Certification Statement that the facility is in compliance the applicable limitations or standards for FGD wastewater in 423.13(g) or (g)(2)(ii) or (iii) or 423.16(e)(1) or (2):

RESPONSE: NIPSCO is in compliance with all applicable limitations for FGD wastewater.

Certification Statement that the facility is in compliance the applicable limitations or standards for bottom ash transport water in 423.13(k)(1) or (k)(2)(i) or (iii) or 423.16(g)(1) or (2):

RESPONSE: NIPSCO is in compliance with all applicable limitations for bottom ash transport water.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact me at (219) 741-6742 or via email at sholcomb@nisource.com.

Sincerely,

Stephen Holcomb

Stephen Holcomb
Director, Environmental Policy and Sustainability

cc:

Scott Ireland, Director, U.S. EPA Region 5 Water Division

Paul Higginbotham, Deputy Assistant Commissioner, IDEM Office of Water Quality

Enclosures:

Attachment Y Suspension Notice

MISO's Approval of Attachment Y Suspension Notice

R. M. Schahfer Generating Station Demonstration Addendum Cover Letter Summer 2022



January 31, 2023

Andrew Witmeier
Director Resource Utilization
Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc.
720 City Center Drive
Carmel, IN 46032

Dear Mr. Witmeier,

Pursuant to the discussions Northern Indiana Public Service Company LLC ("NIPSCO") had with MISO about moving suspension dates for Schahfer Units 17 and 18, please find enclosed new Attachment Y Notices for the suspension of Schahfer Units 17 and 18.

As shown on the Attachment Y Notices, NIPSCO is requesting a suspension date of December 31, 2025, instead of the currently approved date of May 31, 2023.

The following two individuals are the primary points of contact for NIPSCO:

Andrew S. Campbell
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NIPSCO
801 E. 86th Avenue
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219.895.0771
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Assistant General Counsel
NiSource Corporate Services
150 West Market Street
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Indianapolis, IN 46204
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Please let us know if you need any additional information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "M. Bryan Little".

M. Bryan Little
Assistant General Counsel

ATTACHMENT Y

Notification of Generation Resource/SCU/Pseudo-tied Out Generator

Change of Status,

Including Notification of Rescission

This is a notification of change of status of a Generation Resource, Synchronous Condenser Unit ("SCU"), or Pseudo-tied out Generator in accordance with Section 38.2.7.a of the Tariff. An electronic copy of the completed form will be accepted by the Transmission Provider, however, a form will not be considered complete until the original form containing an original signature, including all attachments, is received by the Transmission Provider at the following address: MISO, Attention: Director of Transmission Planning; 720 City Center Drive, Carmel, IN 46032.

The Transmission Provider may request additional information as reasonably necessary to support operations under the Tariff.

Owner of the Generation Resource, SCU or Pseudo-tied out Generator:

Northern Indiana Public Service Company LLC (NIPSCO)

Name of Market Participant: NIPSCO

Owner's state of organization or incorporation Indiana

Generation Resource/SCU/Pseudo-tied Out Generator [plant and unit number(s)] Schahfer Unit 17

Source/Identification of Generation Interconnection Service [name of agreement, parties, date, date filed and docket number, and any other information to identify an agreement] The unit was interconnected to NIPSCO's transmission system prior to MISO

Effective On: July 16, 2018

Location: 2723 E 1500 N Wheatfield, IN 46392

Unit Name	CPNode (if applicable)	Nameplate Capacity(MW)	Change in Capacity(MW)
Schahfer Unit 17	7NIPS.SCHAHP18	423.5	Retire All

Owner understands and agrees that this notification is provided in accordance with Section 38.2.7 of the Transmission Provider's Tariff and will not be made public by the Transmission Provider except as provided for under Section 38.2.7 of the Tariff.

The undersigned certifies that he or she is an officer of the owner of the Generation Resource/SCU/Pseudo-tied out Generator, that he or she is authorized to execute and submit this notification, and that the statements contained herein are true and correct.

Paul M. Lucht

Signature

Name: Ronald E. Talbot

Contact Information

Title: SVP Electric Operations

Email: rtalbot@nsource.com

Date: 1/20/23

Phone: 219.647.5735

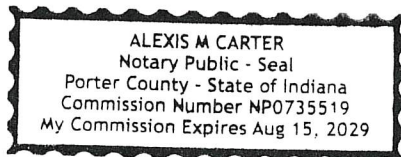
STATE OF Indiana

COUNTY OF Lake

Before me, the undersigned authority, this day appeared Ronald E. Talbot, known by me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, who, after first being sworn by me deposed and said:

"I am an officer of NIPSCO, I am authorized to execute and submit the foregoing notification on behalf of NIPSCO, and the statements contained in such application are true and correct."

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED TO BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority on this the 31 day of January, 2023



Alexis M Carter

Notary Public, State of INDIANA

My Commission expires AUG 15, 2029

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Owner’s state of organization or incorporation Indiana

Generation Resource/SCU/Pseudo-tied Out Generator [plant and unit number(s)] Schahfer Unit 18

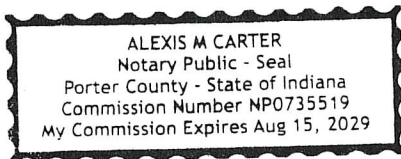
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Andrew Witmeier
Director, Resource Utilization
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VIA TWO-DAY-AIR DELIVERY

February 3, 2023

Ronald E. Talbot
Sr. VP Electric Operations
NIPSCO
801 E. 86th Avenue
Merrillville, IN 46410

Subject: **Approval of Schahfer Units 17 and 18 Attachment Y Suspension Notice**

Dear Mr. Talbot:

On February 1, 2023, Northern Indiana Public Service Company LLC submitted an amended Attachment Y Notice to MISO to move the suspension of Schahfer Units 17 and 18 from May 31, 2023 to December 31, 2025. After being reviewed for power system reliability impacts as provided for under Section 38.2.7 of MISO's Open Access Transmission, Energy, and Operating Reserve Markets Tariff ("Tariff"), the suspension of Schahfer Units 17 and 18 would not result in violations of applicable reliability criteria. Therefore, Schahfer Units 17 and 18 may suspend without the need for the generators to be designated as System Support Resource ("SSR") units as defined in the Tariff.

This letter acknowledges that Northern Indiana Public Service Company LLC will suspend Schahfer Units 17 and 18, effective December 31, 2025. MISO will continue to preserve the confidentiality of the Attachment Y Notice.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions regarding this matter.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "AWitmeier", written over a light blue horizontal line.

Andrew Witmeier
Director, Resource Utilization



August 16, 2022

Submitted via email

Mr. Michael Regan, Administrator US EPA
1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Mail Code 5304-P
Washington, D.C. 20460

Re: Northern Indiana Public Service Company LLC
RM Schahfer Generating Station, Wheatfield, IN
Demonstration – Addendum 2, Pursuant to 40 CFR Part 257.103(f)(2)

Dear Administrator Regan:

Northern Indiana Public Service Company LLC (NIPSCO LLC) is providing the enclosed *Demonstration of Site-Specific Alternative Deadline to Initiate Closure of CCR Surface Impoundment Due to Permanent Cessation of Coal-Fired Boilers by a Date Certain* Addendum 2 (Demonstration Addendum 2) for approval by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (US EPA). Approval of NIPSCO LLC's 257.103(f)(2) Demonstration by the US EPA will allow NIPSCO LLC to continue use of the Waste Disposal Area ash pond (WDA) in operation at the RM Schahfer Generating Station located in Wheatfield, IN (RMSGs, Site), after April 11, 2022. This approximately 80-acre pond will complete closure no later than October 17, 2028, as provided in the enclosed Demonstration Addendum #2.

This Demonstration Addendum 2, provides a new date of permanent cessation of coal-fired boilers at the RMSGs and NIPSCO's continued commitment to cease operation and complete closure the WDA no later than October 17, 2028, as stipulated in 257.103(f)(2)(iv)(B). Furthermore, to meet the requirements of 40 CFR § 257.103(f)(2), Demonstration Addendum 2 supplies information updated since November 2020 (i.e., the date Demonstration Addendum 1 was prepared) with respect to groundwater monitoring and corrective action activities at RMSGs.

As explained and justified herein, cessation of coal-fired generation at RMSGs will now be December 31, 2025, providing nearly three years to a) complete boiler shutdown processes, some of which are expected to generate significant volumes of CCR and non-CCR waste streams, b) reduce and/or eliminate other ongoing influent streams, c) optimize the closure plan and gain regulatory agency approval for the WDA closure approach, and d) complete closure construction. Following cease receipt

of WDA waste streams (Q2 2026), NIPSCO estimates a timeframe of approximately two and a half years to achieve final closure of the WDA including the professional engineer's certification, thereby achieving final closure by September 17, 2028, and meeting the 40 CFR § 257.103(f)(2) deadline of October 17, 2028.

This Demonstration Addendum 2 in combination with Demonstration (Golder, October 2020) and Demonstration Addendum 1 (Golder, November 2020) meet the requirements of 40 CFR § 257.103(f)(2).

Following US EPA guidance, the enclosed Demonstration Addendum 2 was submitted via email to Richard Huggins, Frank Behan, Kirsten Hillyer and Lydia Anderson. I may be contacted at (219) 680-8628 or mturman@nisource.com with questions or comments.

Sincerely,

Maureen Turman

Maureen Turman
NiSource Director Environmental Policy and Sustainability

Enclosure

CC: Richard Huggins, US EPA
Frank Behan, US EPA
Kirsten Hillyer, US EPA
Lydia Anderson, USEPA