



November 28, 2018

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**VIA HAND DELIVERY**

Rosemary Chiavetta, Secretary  
Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission  
Commonwealth Keystone Building  
400 North Street, 2nd Floor North  
Harrisburg, PA 17120

**Re: Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission v. Borough of Indiana; Docket No. R-2018-3003141**

**AFFIDAVIT OF ROLAND FRANCIS REGARDING COMPLIANCE WITH NOTICE REQUIREMENTS**

Dear Secretary Chiavetta:

Enclosed for filing on behalf of the Borough of Indiana ("Indiana") is the Affidavit of Roland Francis, Pretreatment Coordinator for the Wastewater Treatment Plant of Indiana Borough, confirming that Indiana has provided notice of its 2018 base rate filing in compliance with applicable Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission rules and regulations. This Affidavit is being filed pursuant to 52 Pa. Code § 53.45(h).

Copies have been served as indicated on the enclosed Certificate of Service. Please contact me if you have any questions about this filing.

Sincerely,

COZEN O'CONNOR

By: Jonathan P. Nase  
Counsel for *Indiana Borough*

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Enclosure

cc: Hon. Mary D. Long  
Neva L. Stotler, Esquire  
Per Certificate of Service

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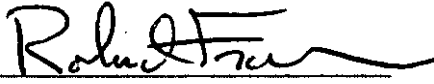
On this 15<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2018, before the undersigned Notary Public in and for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and County of Indiana, personally appeared Roland Francis who, being duly sworn according to law, deposes and says that he is the Pretreatment Coordinator for the Waste Water Treatment Plant of Indiana Borough ("Indiana") and that:

- (1) On June 28, 2018, Indiana filed Supplement No. 11 to Tariff Sewer-PA. P.U.C. No. 1 ("Supplement No. 11") with the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission ("Commission");
- (2) The required notice of Supplement No. 11 was placed in a conspicuous place in each Borough office at which payments are accepted in compliance with the PUC's regulations at 52 Pa. Code § 53.45(b)(1) (Notice, Attachment 1);

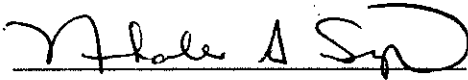
(3) The required notice of Supplement No. 11 was mailed to jurisdictional customers at least 61 days before the proposed effective date of Supplement No. 11, in compliance with the PUC's regulations at 52 Pa. Code § 53.45(b)(2) (Notice, Attachment 1);

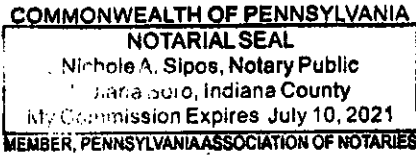
(4) A press release was distributed to the major newspapers, radio and television stations serving Indiana's service territory on June 28, 2018, in compliance with the PUC's regulations at 52 Pa. Code § 53.45(b)(3) (Press Release, Attachment 2); and

(5) Notice of Supplement No. 11 will be provided to new customers of Indiana following completion of an application for service, in compliance with the PUC's regulations at 52 Pa. Code § 53.45(c).

  
Roland Francis

Subscribed and sworn to  
Before me this 15 day  
of November, 2018





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## NOTICE OF PROPOSED RATE CHANGES

To Our Customer:

The Borough of Indiana is filing a request with the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission (PUC) to increase your Sewage Treatment rates as of September 1<sup>st</sup> 2018. This notice describes the company's rate request, the PUC's role, and what actions you can take.

Indiana Borough has requested an overall rate increase of \$880,920 per year. If the Borough's entire request is approved, the total bill for a residential customer would increase from \$12.57 to \$16.72 per month or by 33%.

The total bill for a commercial customer using less than 4,000 gallons would also increase from \$12.57 to \$16.72 per month or by 33%. Larger consumptions have the same percentage increase.

The total bill for an industrial customer using would also increase from \$3.32 to \$4.42 for each man-hour per month or by 33%.

To find out your customer class or how the requested increase may affect your sewer bill, contact the Borough of Indiana at (724) 465-6691. The rates requested by the Borough may be found in Supplement #11 to Tariff No 1. You may examine the material filed with the PUC which explains the requested increase and the reasons for it. A copy of this material is kept at the Borough Office.

The state agency that approves rates for public utilities is the PUC. The PUC will examine the requested rate increase and can prevent existing rates from changing until it investigates and/or holds hearings on the request. The company must prove that the requested rates are reasonable. After examining the evidence, the PUC may grant all, some, or none of the request or may reduce existing rates.

The PUC may change the amount of the rate increase or decrease requested by the utility for each customer class. As a result, the rate charged to you may be different than the rate requested by the company and shown above.

There are three ways to challenge the Borough's request to change its rates:

1) You can file a formal complaint. If you want a hearing before a PUC judge, you must file a formal complaint. By filing a formal complaint, you assure yourself the opportunity to take part in hearings about the rate increase request. All complaints should be filed with the PUC before (proposed effective date of the rate increase). If no formal complaints are filed, the Commission may grant all, some or none of the request without holding a hearing before a PUC judge.

2) You can send the PUC a letter telling why you object to the requested rate increase. Sometimes there is information in these letters that makes the PUC aware of problems with the company's service or management. This information can be helpful when the PUC investigates the rate request.

Send your letter or formal complaint form to the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission, Post Office Box 3265, Harrisburg PA 17105-3265.

3) You can be a witness at a public input hearing. Public input hearings are held if the PUC opens an investigation of the company's rate request and if there is a large number of customers interested in the case. At these hearings you have the opportunity to present your views in person to the PUC judge hearing the case and the company representatives. All testimony given "under oath" becomes part of the official rate case record. These hearings are held in the service area of the Borough.

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PRESS RELEASE

After several months of evaluation, the Borough of Indiana will file with the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission ("PUC") on June 28, 2018 to request a sewer rate increase for customers serviced outside of the Borough by the Borough of Indiana. The rates charged by the Borough of Indiana for sewer service to customers outside the Borough are regulated by the PUC. Rates for customers inside the Borough are not regulated by the PUC, however, the Borough plans to increase sewer rates for customers inside the Borough to the same levels that will be set for customers outside the Borough.

The Borough of Indiana has not raised its sewage treatment rates since 2002 and has completed over 19 million dollars in capital improvements since the last rate increase.

The Borough will request the PUC to approve a proposed annual increase of \$880,920 for all customers. This equates to a 33% increase to the Borough's annual sewer customer revenues. The total bill for a typical residential customer would increase from \$12.57 to \$16.72 per month. The proposed effective date of the increase will be for services rendered on or after September 1, 2018.

The Borough of Indiana is requesting the rate increase to provide additional funds to meet the increasing costs of operating and maintaining the sewer system. These costs also include the renewal and replacement of the aging infrastructure so that the Borough can continue to provide safe and reliable service.

C. Michael Foote *CMF 6/28/18*  
Borough Manager  
Borough of Indiana

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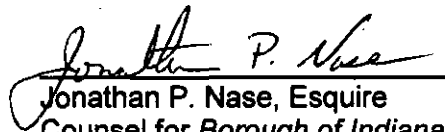
I hereby certify that I have this day served a true copy of the foregoing **Affidavit of Roland Francis Regarding Compliance with Notice Requirements**, upon the parties, listed below, in accordance with the requirements of 52 Pa. Code § 1.54 (relating to service by a party).

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DATED: November 28, 2018

  
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