**30-day Filing ID # 3096** 



January 18, 2013

Brenda A. Howe Secretary to the Commission Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission 101 W. Washington Street, Suite 1500 East Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

# Re: Indiana-American Water Company, Inc. 30-day Filing Pursuant to 170 IAC 1-6-1 *et seq*.

Dear Ms. Howe:

Pursuant to 170 IAC 1-6, the Thirty-Day Administrative Filing Procedures and Guidelines Rule, Indiana-American Water Company, Inc. ("Indiana American" or the "Company") submits herewith for filing a proposed revised tariff page (identified as <u>Exhibit 1</u>) establishing, in lieu of directly billed hydrant charges, public fire protection surcharges in the City of Franklin ("Franklin") based on the directly billed hydrant charges Franklin would pay pursuant to the currently applicable rates.

To recover the costs of public fire protection in the relevant community, Indiana American presently collects directly billed hydrant charges payable by Franklin. Franklin is a municipality located in Johnson County, Indiana. Attached hereto as <u>Exhibit 2</u> is a copy of Ordinance No. 12-25 passed by the Franklin Common Council pursuant to Ind. Code§ 8-1-2-103(d) ("Section 103") providing that all costs for fire protection shall henceforth be recovered pursuant to a surcharge to be included in the basic rates of customers located in Franklin.

Section 103(d) provides as follows:

This subsection applies to a public utility or a municipally owned water utility that is not subject to subsection (c). Except as provided in subsection (e), in the case of a public utility or municipally owned water utility furnishing water, if the governing body of any municipality within the service area of the utility adopts an ordinance providing that costs shall be recovered under this subsection, the charges for the production, storage, transmission, sale and delivery, or furnishing of water for public fire protection

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> purposes shall be included in the basic rates of all customers of the utility within the municipality. However, on or after a date specified in the ordinance, the construction cost of any fire hydrant installed at the request of a municipality, township, county, or other governmental unit that adopts an ordinance under this subsection shall be paid for by or on behalf of the municipality, township, county, or other governmental unit. The change in the recovery of current revenue authorized by the ordinance shall be reflected in a new schedule of rates to be filed with the commission at least thirty (30) days before the time the new schedule of rates is to take effect. The new schedule of rates shall:

> (1) eliminate fire protection charges billed directly to governmental units, other than charges for the construction cost for new hydrants installed on and after the date specified in the ordinance; and

> (2) increase the rates charged each customer of the utility, based on equivalent meter size, by an amount equal to:

(A) the revenues lost from the elimination of such fire protection charges; divided by

(B) the current number of equivalent five-eighths (5/8) inch meters.

This change in the recovery of public fire protection costs shall not be considered to be a general increase in basic rates and charges of the utility and is not subject to the notice and hearing requirements applicable to general rate proceedings. The commission shall approve the new schedule of rates that are to be effective on a date specified in the ordinance.

Section 103(d) allows the implementation of a fire-protection surcharge applicable only within Franklin without conducting a hearing pursuant to appropriate notice. Furthermore, Section 103(d) requires only that Indiana American file an amended schedule of rates "at least thirty (30) days before the time the new schedule of rates is to take effect." Indiana American is proposing the revised tariff pages be effective no later than February 18, 2013.

By email correspondence with Indiana American dated September 7, 2012, Dana Lynn, Senior Utility Analyst for the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission ("Commission") indicated that it is appropriate for Indiana American to use the Commission's 30-day filing process for any non-controversial changes related to fire

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protection surcharges. Indiana American is submitting this filing in accordance with that communication.

Attached hereto as <u>Exhibit 3</u> is the workpaper supporting the calculation of the public fire protection surcharge. The surcharge has been calculated by dividing the current monthly revenues from directly billed hydrant charges pursuant to Indiana American's existing tariff by the current number of equivalent 5/8-inch meters located within Franklin. The calculation is revenue neutral to Indiana American.

In support of this 30-day filing, Indiana American is submitting herewith Exhibits 1, 2 and 3 described above and a mark-up of the existing tariff sheet for reference. Exhibit 1 also reflects proposed changes to the tariff with respect to the Lake Ridge Fire Protection District that are the subject of a separate 30-day filing being submitted by Indiana American contemporaneously with this filing. Indiana American is also submitting a verified statement by the Company affirming that customers have been notified as required under Rule 6, stating in detail the means used for notification, and copies of any written means of communication. By copy of this letter, the Office of Utility Consumer Counselor is being provided with a copy of this 30-day filing.

Indiana American appreciates your assistance in processing this request through the Commission's 30-Day Filing procedures. The contact information regarding this filing is as follows:

Gregory P. Roach Manager – Rates and Regulation Indiana-American Water Company, Inc. 555 East County Line Road Greenwood, IN 46142 (317) 885-2420 Gregory.Roach@amwater.com Hillary J. Close (Atty No. 25104-49) Barnes & Thornburg LLP 11 S. Meridian Street Indianapolis, IN 46204 (317)231-7785 (phone) (317) 231-7433 (fax) Hillary.Close@btlaw.com

Please let me know if the Commission Staff has any questions or concerns about this submission.

Sincerely, Brying P. Roak

Gregory P. Roach

Enclosures

cc: David A. Stippler, Indiana Utility Consumer Counselor (w/encl.) NDS01 1368029v1

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# CLASSIFICATION OF SERVICE FIRE SERVICE

## PUBLIC FIRE HYDRANTS

Each municipality or governmental entity responsible for public fire service in the areas listed below shall pay for each public fire hydrant within its boundaries.

Monthly surcharge per hydrant: \$61.60

Where applicable: Burns Harbor, Clarksville, Porter, Seymour, Shelbyville, Summitville, and West Lafayette.

## PUBLIC FIRE PROTECTION SURCHARGE

### Applicability

Applies to customers not located within the boundaries of the governmental entities responsible for public fire service in the areas listed in Public Fire Hydrants. Applicable to any water customer located in areas within municipal boundaries or to any water customer within 1,000 feet of a public fire hydrant (measured from the hydrant to the nearest point on the property line of the customer) on the Company's distribution mains in areas not within municipal boundaries. In addition to the charges for water service under currently approved tariffs, a public fire protection surcharge shall be charged to, and collected from, each customer to whom said surcharge is hereby made applicable. If multiple meters are installed the surcharge(s) shall be based upon the total of all meters installed.

Size of	Monthly Charge	Monthly Charge	Monthly Charge	Monthly Charge
Meter	Area One and Two	Sale For Resale	Franklin Only	Lake Ridge Only
5/8"	\$ 4.12	\$ 2.51	\$ 4.69	\$ 7.09
3/4"	6.17	3.76	7.04	10.63
1"	10.29	6.26	11.74	17.72
1-1/2"	20.58	12.53	23.47	35.44
2"	32.93	20.04	37.56	56.70
3"	61.75	37.58	70.42	106.31
4"	102.91	62.63	117.37	177.19
6"	205.82	125.27	234.73	354.38
8"	329.31	200.43	375.57	567.01
10"	535.13	325.70	610.30	921.39
12"	885.02	538.66	1,009.35	1,523.84

Note: Unless specified rates are for all areas.

Issued:

Effective:

Issued by: Alan J. DeBoy, President 555 E. County Line Road Greenwood, Indiana 46143

# Exhibit 1

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1-1/2"	20.58	12.53	<u>23.47</u>	<u>35.44</u>
2"	32.93	20.04	<u>37.56</u>	<u>56.70</u>
3"	61.75	37.58	<u>70.42</u>	<u>106.31</u>
4"	102.91	62.63	<u>117.37</u>	<u>177.19</u>
6"	205.82	125.27	<u>234.73</u>	<u>354.38</u>
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# ORDINANCE NUMBER 12-25 OF THE CITY OF FRANKLIN, INDIANA

# AN ORDINANCE REGARDING THE COST OF PUBLIC FIRE PROTECTION SERVICE TO BE PROVIDED BY INDIANA-AMERICAN WATER COMPANY, INC.

WHEREAS, pursuant to franchises licenses and permits previously obtained by Indiana-American Water Company, Inc. ("Indiana- American"), Indiana-American provides water service to the public within the City of Franklin ("City"); and

WHEREAS, Indiana Code § 8-1-2-103(d) and (e) permit the Franklin Common Council by ordinance to require that the costs of providing water for public fire protection purposes within the City be recovered by the public water utility that provides service within the City through the basic rates of all customers of the utility within the City; and

WHEREAS, without such an ordinance, the cost of providing water for public fire protection by Indiana-American within the City is recovered through monthly hydrant rental fees assessed against the City; and

WHEREAS, it has been determined that the allocation of such cost of public fire protection to all customers within the City is deemed to be a reasonable and equitable means of paying the cost of the described services, while still providing for the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the City; and

WHEREAS, Indiana. Code § 8-1-2-103(d) provides that on or after a date specified in this ordinance, the construction cost of any hydrants installed at the request of the City shall be paid by the City, or on behalf of the City; and

# Now, Therefore, The Common Council of the City of Franklin, Indiana, Ordains and Enacts the Following:

Section 1. That all costs incurred by Indiana-American for the production, storage, transmission, sale and delivery, and furnishing of water for public fire protection services within the City of Franklin shall be recovered from customers located within the City in accordance with Indiana Code § 8-1-2-103(d) and (e).

Section 2. The cost of construction of any fire hydrant requested by the City and installed after the date of this ordinance shall be paid by, or on behalf of, the City.

<u>Section 3</u>. The invalidity of any section, clause, sentence or provision of this Ordinance shall not affect the validity of any other part of this Ordinance which can be given effect without such invalid part or parts.

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## Exhibit 2

<u>Section 4.Effective Date.</u> This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect after its passage and approval by the City Council of the City of Franklin and publication as required by law. The change in method of recovering fire protection costs described herein shall be effective upon the first day of the first month following approval by the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission ("IURC") of a new schedule of rates implementing the change. IAWC shall file such revised rate schedules with IURC within a reasonable time after being notified of the final passage of this Ordinance.

Introduced and Filed on the <u>5</u> day of <u>Novernber</u>, 20<u>2</u>. A motion to consider same on the First Reading or day of introduction was [not offered] [sustained by a vote of \_\_\_\_\_\_ in Favor and \_\_\_\_\_\_ Opposed, pursuant to Indiana Code § 36-4-6-13].

DULY PASSED on this <u>19</u> day of <u>November</u>, 20<u>12</u> by the common Council of the City of Franklin, Johnson County, Indiana, having been passed by a vote \_\_\_\_\_\_ in Favor and \_\_\_\_\_\_ Opposed.

City of Franklin, Indiana, by its Common Council:

Voting Affirmative:

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Steve Barnett, President

Joseph P. Abban, Vice President

Absent Joseph R. Ault, Member

Kenneth Austin, Member

Robert Henderson, Member

Stephen Hougland, Member

Richard Wertz, Member <

Voting Opposed:

Steve Barnett, President

Joseph P. Abban, Vice President

Joseph R. Ault, Member

Kenneth Austin, Member

Robert/Henderson, Member Stephen Houghland, Member

Richard Wertz, Member

Attest:

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City Clerk Treasurer

Presented by me to the Mayor of the City of Franklin for his approval or veto pursuant to Indiana § 36-4-6-15, 16 this <u>28</u> day of <u>Nov.ember</u>, 2012 at <u>11:00</u> A o'clock' <u>p.m.</u>

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City Clerk Treasurer

This Ordinance having been passed by the legislative body and presented to me was Approved by me and duly adopted, pursuant to Indiana Code § 36-4-6-16a)(1) Vetoed pursuant to Indiana code § 36-4-6-16(a)(2), this 2B day of Movem 20, 20 z at 20 p.m.

Joseph E. McGuinness, Mayor

Attest:

Derand Janet P. Alexander,

Janet P. Alexander, City Clerk Treasurer

Prepared by:

Lynnette Gray Attorney No.: 11567-41 JOHNSON GRAY & MacABEE 63 E. Court Street P.O. Box 160 Franklin, IN 46131 Ph.: (317) 738-3365 Fax: (317) 738-3862

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Indiana American Water Company

Exhibit 3

# Indiana-American Water Company, Inc. Public Fire Service Analysis for the City of Franklin Using ORCOM Meter Data (Report MTRBCRSZCM) as of November 7, 2012

Meter Size	Monthly Total	City of Shelbyville, IN Annualized Total	AWWA Equivalent Meter Flow- Based Ratio	Meter Equivalents	New Rates Annualized Revenue	Public Fire Service New Monthly Rate
5/8"	7,919.0	95,028.0	1.0	95,028.0	\$ 446,121.40	\$ 4.69
3/4"	2.0	24.0	1.5	36.0	169.01	7.04
1"	284.0	3,408.0	2.5	8,520.0	39,998.26	11.74
1 1/2"	11.0	132.0	5.0	660.0	3,098.46	23.47
2"	133.0	1,596.0	8.0	12,768.0	59,941.05	37.56
3"	1.0	12.0	15.0	180.0	845.03	70.42
4"	4.0	48.0	25.0	1,200.0	5,633.56	117.37
6"	0.0	0.0	50.0	0.0	-	234.73
8"	1.0	12.0	80.0	960.0	4,506.85	375.57
10"	0.0	0.0	130.0	0.0	-	610.30
12"	0.0	0.0	215.0	0.0		1,009.35
Total	8,355.0	100,260.0		119,352.0	\$ 560,313.60	
Current Hydrant Cou	unt (from ORCOM) :			758		
Revenue Neutral Revenue Benchmark-New Rates				\$ 560,313.60	Tariff rate:	\$ 61.60
Proposed Annualiz	ed Revenue Neutral B	enchmark:				
Public Hydrants		\$ 560,313.60	758			
Monthly Public Fire	Charge/Equivalent Mete	r revenue neutral:				\$ 4.69
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Business Unit = 106505 (6501 Region), monthly billing district. Franklin, Indiana - is billed monthly. Blue cells are data input cells.

# VERIFIED STATEMENT IN SUPPORT OF 30-DAY FILING

# TO THE INDIANA UTILITY REGULATORY COMMISSION:

- 1. Indiana-American Water Company, Inc. is requesting revisions to its tariff establishing, in lieu of directly billed hydrant charges, public fire protection surcharges in the City of Franklin, Indiana ("Franklin").
- 2. In accordance with 170 IAC 1-6-6, affected customers have been notified by a legal notice published in the Daily Journal, a newspaper of general circulation that has a circulation encompassing the highest number of the utility's customers affected by the filing. The notice will also be placed on the utility's website. The utility has no local customer service office in the Franklin area that is open to the public.
- 3. A copy of the above-referenced legal notice is attached as <u>Exhibit A</u>.

I affirm under penalties for perjury that the foregoing representations are true to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief.

Dated this 18th day of January, 2013.

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Gregory P. Roach, Manager – Rates and Regulation Indiana-American Water Company, Inc.

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General Form No. 99P (Rev. 2009A) Prescribed by State Board of Accounts Attn: Accounts Payable Daily Journal Indiana American Water Name 2575 N Morton Street Address 555 E County Line Rd Franklin, IN 46131 City State Greenwood, IN 46143 FED I.D. #35-0917579 (Governmental Unit) Acct. # Revised Rates Order # 31611355 County: Johnson **PUBLISHER'S CLAIM** LINE COUNT Display Master (Must not exceed two actual lines, neither of which shall total more than four solid lines of the type in which the body of the advertisement is set) -- number of equivalent lines Head -- number of lines -----Body -- number of lines -----Tail -- number of lines -----65 Total number of lines in notice ------COMPUTATION OF CHARGES .....65.... lines, .....2... columns wide equals ....65.... equivalent lines at ..0.4231....... 39.12 \$ cents per line Additional charges for notices containing rule or tabular work (50 per cent 19.56 of above amount) \$ Charge for extra proofs of publication (\$5.00 for each proof in excess \$ ----of two) 58.68 \$ TOTAL AMOUNT OF CLAIM DATA FOR COMPUTING COST Size of type ... 7 .... point. Width of single column in picas......7p3..... 1 Number of insertions..... Pursuant to the provisions and penalties of IC 5-11-10-1, I hereby certify that the foregoing account is just and correct, that the amount claimed is legally due, after allowing all just credits, and that no part of the same has been paid. I also certify that the printed matter attached hereto is a true copy, of the same column width and type size, which was duly published in said paper ......1..... times. The dates of publication being as follows: Dec 27 2012 \_\_\_\_\_

Additionally, the statement checked below is true and correct:

..... Newspaper does not have a Web site.

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x..... Newspaper has a Web site and this public notice was posted on the same day as it was published in the newspaper.

..... Newspaper has a Web site, but due to technical problem or error, public notice was posted on .....

..... Newspaper has a Web site but refuses to post the public notice.

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Date ...... December 27, 2012

ATTACH COPY OF ADVERTISEMENT HERE Title....Legal Advertising Representative...

Exhibit A

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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 27, 2012

# NOTICES

LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT December 21, 2012 RE: Notice of Filing of Franklin Public Fire Protection Surcharge

Notice is hereby given that on or about January 7, 2013, Indiana-American Water Company, Inc. will file a revised schedule of rates with the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission (IURC) to revise its rates for customers located within the Franklin area of the Johnson County district for the purpose of establishing a fire protection surcharge in Ileu of directly billed hydrant charges now being paid by the City of Franklin. It is expected that the surcharge will be approved and in effect in mid-February 2013.

Prior to this filing, the Franklin Common Council passed Ordinance number 12-25 on November 19, 2012, pursuant to Ind. Code Code 8-1-2-103(d), providing that all costs for fire protection shall henceforth be recovered through a surcharge to be included in the basic rates of customers located in Franklin, Ind. The current statewide fire protection surcharges for customers vary based on the size of the applicable water meter(s). The fire protection surcharge associated with the typical 5/8" residential water meter is \$4.12 per month. A chart showing the specific impact per month by meter size is shown below.

Size of Meter	Monthly Charge	
5/8"	\$4.12	
3/4"	\$6.17	
1"	\$10.29	
1 1/2 "	\$20.58	
2"	\$32.93	
3"	\$61.75	
4"	\$102.91	
6"	\$205.82	
8"	\$329.31	
10 <sup>u</sup>	\$535.13	
12"	\$885.02	

Once the revised rates have been approved by the IURC, all customers located within the City of Franklin or within 1,000 feet of the nearest fire hydrant (measured from the fire hydrant to the nearest point on the property line of the customer) will be assessed this fire protection surcharge on an ongoing basis. Customers that do not live within the affected areas will receive a credit on their bills for the relevant amount.

If you have questions regarding this matter, please visit www.indianaamerican.com and click on "rates information" located under the "Customer Service" tab at the top of the Indiana American Water homepage. If you wish to file an objection to this filing you may contact Anthony Swinger, Public Information Officer at the Office of Utility Consumer Counselor at aswinger@oucc.in.gov or by calling 317-233-2747. To file an objection with the IURC regarding this mater, you may contact Brenda Howe, Secretary of the IURC at bhowe@urc.in.gov or by phone at 317-232-2703. (J) 12-27-12