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## MEDIA ADVISORY

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## **Opportunity for Public Comment on Apple Valley Utilities Rate Case**

Field hearing scheduled for March 4 at 6 p.m.; OUCC educational session to begin at 5:30 p.m.

- What: A field hearing will be held in Lowell by the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission (IURC) to hear from the public on Apple Valley Water's rate case petition, under <u>Cause No. 44551-U</u>.
- When: March 4, 2015 at 6 p.m. CT. Prior to the hearing, the Office of Utility Consumer Counselor (OUCC) will hold an educational session at 5:30 p.m. CT.

Where: Lowell Middle School Auditorium, 19250 Cline, Ave., Lowell, IN 46356

- **Why:** Apple Valley Utilities, Inc. has filed a petition before the IURC for a new schedule of rates and charges for water and wastewater service.
- **How:** During field hearings, ratepayers have the opportunity to speak directly to the IURC or submit written comments. For those who are unable to attend, they may submit written comments to the OUCC online at <a href="http://www.in.gov/oucc/2361.htm">www.in.gov/oucc/2361.htm</a>. Ratepayers also can submit their comments by mail, email, or fax:

Mail: Consumer Services Staff Indiana Office of Utility Consumer Counselor 115 W. Washington St., Suite 1500 South Indianapolis, IN 46204 Email: uccinfo@oucc.IN.gov | Fax: (317) 232-5923

Written comments should include the ratepayer's name, mailing address, and a reference to "Cause No. 44551-U."

If you would like to access case-related documents under Cause No. 44551-U, visit the IURC's Electronic Document System at <u>https://myweb.in.gov/IURC/eds/</u>. Instructions on how to best use this database can be found at <u>www.in.gov/iurc/2666.htm.</u>

## About the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission (IURC)

The IURC is a fact-finding body that hears evidence in cases filed before it and makes decisions based on the evidence presented in those cases. An advocate of neither the public nor the utilities, the IURC is required by state statute to make decisions that balance the interests of all parties to ensure the utilities provide safe and reliable service at just and reasonable rates. For more information, please visit <u>www.in.gov/iurc</u>.