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INDIANA UTILITY REGULATORY COMMISSION OPENS INVESTIGATION INTO DEMAND SIDE MANAGEMENT PROGRAMS

Today, in Cause No. 42693, the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission opened an investigation into Demand Side Management (DSM) Programs.

Demand Side Management refers to measures that can be taken on the customer's side of the electric meter to change the amount of use, or the timing of energy consumption.

The goal of Demand Side Management is to reduce the overall consumption of electricity by reducing demand, and encouraging customer energy efficiency. It also allows companies to reduce the large discrepancy between peak and off-peak demand.

Demand Side Management has been a tool effectively used by Indiana electric companies since 1993.

The Commission intends to determine the effectiveness of current DSM programs in the state, and will also consider if an Independent DSM Administrator Model should be established in Indiana on a state-wide basis.

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