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**PARTIAL RELEASE DEED**

THIS INDENTURE, made this 2nd day of March, A.D. 2000, by Harris Trust and Savings Bank, an Illinois corporation, as Trustee, WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, Northern Indiana Public Service Company, an Indiana corporation, (hereinafter sometimes called the "Company"), by its Indenture of Mortgage or Deed of Trust, dated the First day of August, 1939, and by its First, Third (there being no Second Supplemental Indenture), Fourth and Fifth Supplemental Indentures conveyed to Harris Trust and Savings Bank and Harold Eckhart, as Trustees, the property therein described; and

WHEREAS, subsequent to the execution of the Fifth Supplemental Indenture, Harold Eckhart resigned as Co-Trustee, and F. O. Mann was duly appointed, accepted such appointment, and was the duly qualified and acting Co-Trustee under the Indenture; and

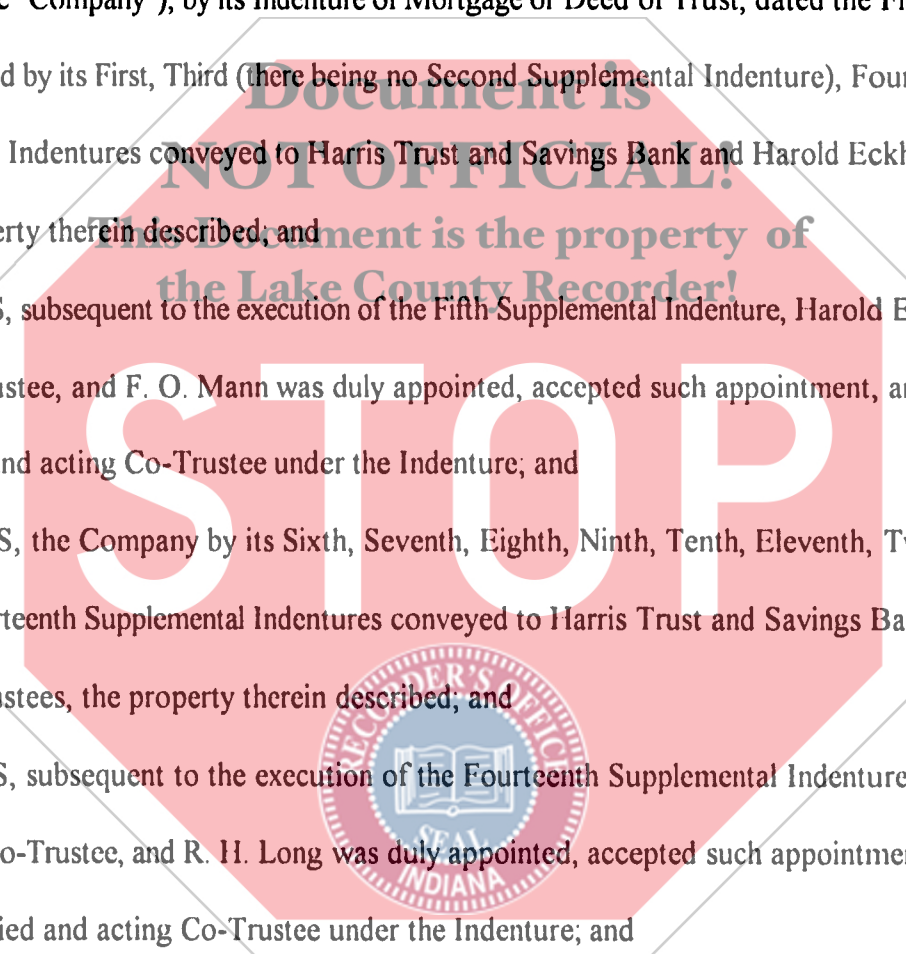
WHEREAS, the Company by its Sixth, Seventh, Eighth, Ninth, Tenth, Eleventh, Twelfth, Thirteenth and Fourteenth Supplemental Indentures conveyed to Harris Trust and Savings Bank and F. O. Mann, as Trustees, the property therein described; and

WHEREAS, subsequent to the execution of the Fourteenth Supplemental Indenture, F. O. Mann resigned as Co-Trustee, and R. H. Long was duly appointed, accepted such appointment, and was the duly qualified and acting Co-Trustee under the Indenture; and

WHEREAS, the Company, by its Fifteenth, Sixteenth, Seventeenth, Eighteenth, Nineteenth, Twentieth, Twenty-first, Twenty-second, Twenty-third, Twenty-fourth, Twenty-fifth, Twenty-sixth, Twenty-seventh and Twenty-eighth Supplemental Indentures, conveyed to Harris Trust and Savings Bank and R. H. Long, as Trustees, the property therein described; and

LAWYERS TITLE INS. CORP.  
ONE PROFESSIONAL CENTER  
SUITE 215  
CROWN POINT, IN 46307  
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WHEREAS, subsequent to the execution of the Twenty-eighth Supplemental Indenture, R. H. Long resigned as Co-Trustee, and R. G. Mason was duly appointed, accepted such appointment, and was the duly qualified and acting Co-Trustee under the Indenture; and

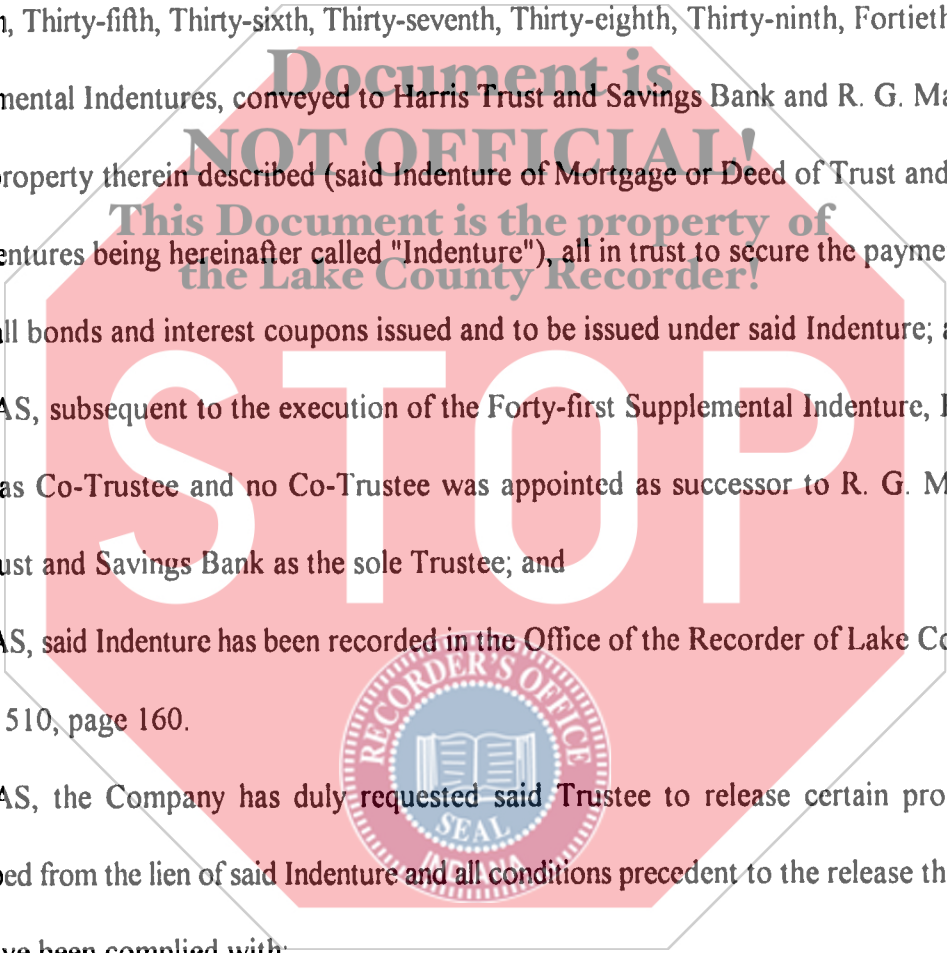
WHEREAS, the Company by its Twenty-ninth, Thirtieth, Thirty-first, Thirty-second, Thirty-third, Thirty-fourth, Thirty-fifth, Thirty-sixth, Thirty-seventh, Thirty-eighth, Thirty-ninth, Fortieth and Forty-first Supplemental Indentures, conveyed to Harris Trust and Savings Bank and R. G. Mason, as Trustees, the property therein described (said Indenture of Mortgage or Deed of Trust and said Supplemental Indentures being hereinafter called "Indenture"), all in trust to secure the payment by the Company of all bonds and interest coupons issued and to be issued under said Indenture; and

WHEREAS, subsequent to the execution of the Forty-first Supplemental Indenture, R. G. Mason resigned as Co-Trustee and no Co-Trustee was appointed as successor to R. G. Mason leaving Harris Trust and Savings Bank as the sole Trustee; and

WHEREAS, said Indenture has been recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Lake County as follows: Book 510, page 160.

WHEREAS, the Company has duly requested said Trustee to release certain property hereinafter described from the lien of said Indenture and all conditions precedent to the release thereof by the Trustee have been complied with;

NOW, THEREFORE, THIS INDENTURE WITNESSETH that Harris Trust and Savings Bank, as Trustee, as aforesaid, in consideration of the premises and of One (\$1.00) Dollar in hand paid, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, has released, conveyed, quit-claimed and set over, and by these presents does hereby release, convey, quit-claim and set over unto said Northern Indiana Public Service Company and its successors and assigns, all right, title, interest, claim or demand



which said Harris Trust and Savings Bank, as Trustee, as aforesaid, may have acquired in, by or through said Indenture in and to all that part of the mortgaged property situated in the County of Lake, in the State of Indiana, described on Exhibit A attached hereto and made a part hereof to the end that said real estate hereinabove described may be forever discharged of and from the lien of the aforesaid Indenture.

This release is not intended to change, modify, abridge, waive, diminish, discharge or affect in any way the title or lien of the Trustee to, in or on the property mentioned or described in the aforesaid Indenture of Mortgage and Supplemental Indentures other than herein expressly described, and is executed on the express provision, stipulation and condition that it shall not be so construed.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the property hereby released and conveyed to said Northern Indiana Public Service Company, and its successors and assigns, to its and their own proper use and behoof forever, free, clear and discharged of and from all liens and claims under and by virtue of the above Indenture of Mortgage or Deed of Trust dated the First day of August, 1939, and the said First, Third, Fourth, Fifth, Sixth, Seventh, Eighth, Ninth, Tenth, Eleventh, Twelfth, Thirteenth, Fourteenth, Fifteenth, Sixteenth, Seventeenth, Eighteenth, Nineteenth, Twentieth, Twenty-first, Twenty-second, Twenty-third, Twenty-fourth, Twenty-fifth, Twenty-sixth, Twenty-seventh, Twenty-eighth, Twenty-ninth, Thirtieth, Thirty-first, Thirty-second, Thirty-third, Thirty-fourth, Thirty-fifth, Thirty-sixth, Thirty-seventh, Thirty-eighth, Thirty-ninth, Fortieth and Forty-first Supplemental Indentures.

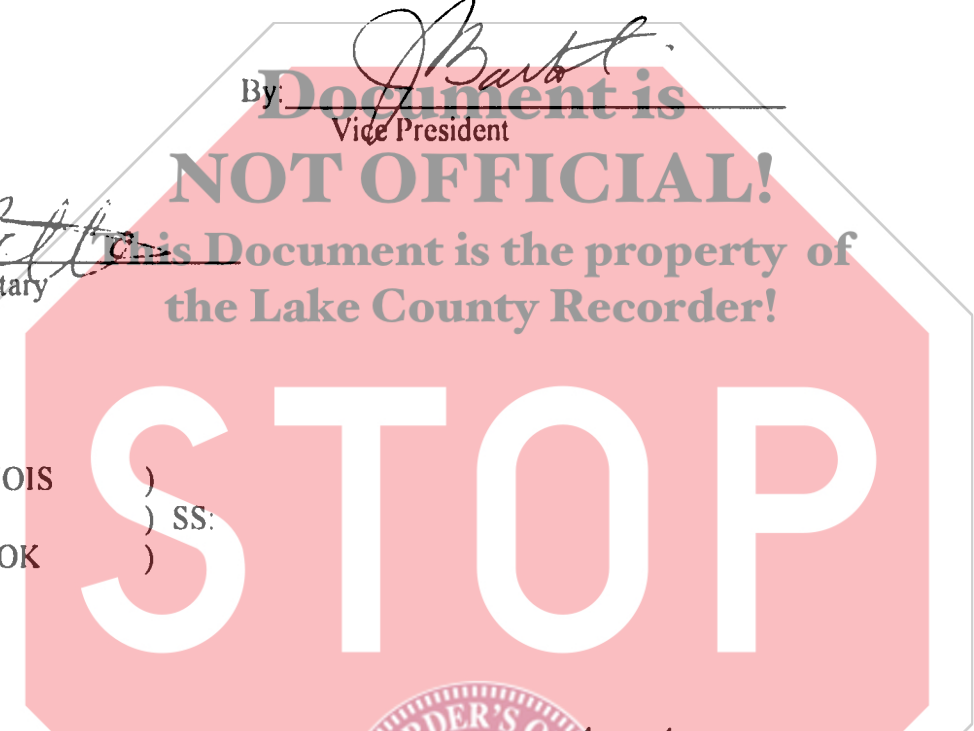
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the said Harris Trust and Savings Bank has caused this instrument to be executed by its proper corporate officers thereunto duly authorized, and its corporate seal to be hereto affixed, and attested as of the day and year first above written.

HARRIS TRUST AND SAVINGS BANK, Trustee

By: J. Bartolini  
Vice President

ATTEST:

C. Potter  
Assistant Secretary



STATE OF ILLINOIS )  
                                  ) SS:  
COUNTY OF COOK     )

BE IT REMEMBERED that on this 2nd day of March, 2000, before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for the County and State aforesaid, personally appeared J. BARTOLINI, Vice President and C. POTTER, Assistant Secretary, of Harris Trust and Savings Bank, to me well known and personally known to me to be such Vice President and Assistant Secretary, respectively, of Harris Trust and Savings Bank, and to be the persons who executed the foregoing instrument of and on behalf and in the name of said Harris Trust and Savings Bank, as Trustee, and acknowledged that they signed, sealed and delivered said instrument as their free and voluntary act as such Vice President and Assistant Secretary, respectively, and as the free and voluntary act of said Harris Trust and Savings Bank, as Trustee for the uses and purposes therein set forth; and the said J. BARTOLINI, being first duly sworn, deposed and said that the seal affixed to said instrument is the corporate seal of said Harris Trust and Savings Bank and was by him affixed thereto in the pursuance of the power and authority granted to him by the bylaws of said corporation.

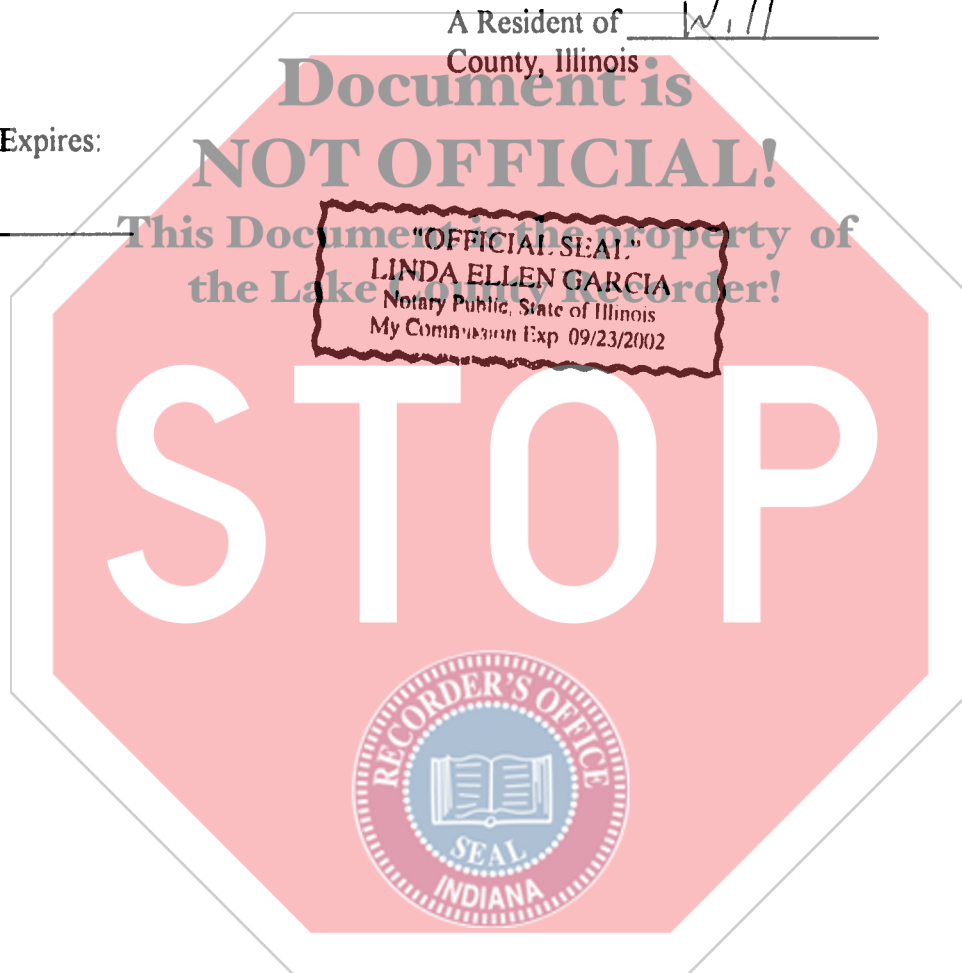
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my notarial seal the day and year aforesaid.

Linda Ellen Garcia  
Notary Public

A Resident of Will  
County, Illinois

My Commission Expires:

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This instrument was prepared by Richard M. Schumacher, Eichhorn & Eichhorn, 200 Russell Street, Hammond, Indiana 46320.

EXHIBIT A

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF  
REAL ESTATE

PART OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 10, TOWNSHIP  
36 NORTH, RANGE 8 WEST OF THE SECOND PRINCIPAL  
MERIDIAN, COUNTY OF LAKE, STATE OF INDIANA, DESCRIBED AS  
FOLLOWS:

BEGINNING AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF SAID SECTION 10;  
THENCE SOUTHERLY ALONG THE EAST LINE OF SAID SECTION 10  
A DISTANCE OF 990 FEET MORE OR LESS TO A POINT ON THE  
EASTERLY LINE OF MARTIN LUTHER KING DRIVE; THENCE  
NORTHWESTERLY ALONG A CURVE TO THE LEFT (R-1196.95  
FEET) ALONG EASTERLY LINE OF SAID MARTIN LUTHER KING  
DRIVE A DISTANCE OF 376 FEET, MORE OR LESS, TO THE POINT  
OF TANGENCY OF SAID CURVE; THENCE NORTHWESTERLY  
ALONG THE EASTERLY LINE OF SAID MARTIN LUTHER KING DRIVE  
A DISTANCE OF 695 FEET, MORE OR LESS, TO A POINT ON THE  
SOUTH RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF THE GARY AND WESTERN  
RAILROAD; THENCE NORTHEASTERLY ALONG THE SOUTH RIGHT  
OF WAY LINE OF SAID GARY AND WESTERN RAILROAD A  
DISTANCE OF 340 FEET, MORE OR LESS TO A POINT ON THE  
NORTH LINE OF SAID SECTION 10; THENCE EASTERLY ALONG  
THE NORTH LINE OF SAID SECTION 10 TO THE POINT OF  
BEGINNING.

