STATE OF INDIANA LAKE COUNTY PARTIAL RELEASEDEED

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THIS INDENTURE, made this 7th 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

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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, Thirty-first, Thirty-second, Thirty-third, 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-sixth, 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

ATTEST: NOT OFFICIAL!

Assistant Secretary the Lake County Recorder!

STATE OF ILLINOIS
) SS:

COUNTY OF COOK
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BE IT REMEMBERED that on this 7th 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. "OFFICIAL SEAL"
JACQUELINE L. MASON Notary Public Notary Public, State of Illinois A Resident of My Commission Expires 1/9/03 County, Illinois My Commission Expires: This Document is the property of the Lake County Recorder!

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

EXHIBIT A

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF REAL ESTATE

PARCEL 1:

THAT PART OF THE WEST ½ OF THE FRACTIONAL SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 31, TOWNSHIP 36 NORTH, RANGE 7 WEST OF THE SECOND PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, IN LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA, LYING NORTH OF THE ABANDONED ELGIN, JOLIET AND EASTERN RAILWAY. CONTAINING 8 ACRES AND SUBJECT TO ALL LEGAL HIGHWAYS AND EASEMENTS.

PARCEL 2:

A PART OF THE SOUTHEAST 1/4 OF THE SOUTHEAST 1/4 OF SECTION 36, TOWNSHIP 36 NORTH, RANGE 8 WEST OF THE SECOND PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA DESCRIBED AS: COMMENCING AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF SECTION 36; THENCE NORTH 00° 32' 43" WEST ALONG THE EAST SECTION LINE, 707.97 FEET TO THE NORTH RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF THE ABANDONED ELGIN, JOLIET, AND EASTERN RAILWAY, BEING THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE NORTH 89° 38' 03" WEST, ALONG SAID NORTH LINE, 27.65 FEET, TO THE EAST LINE OF THE NIPSCO RIGHT OF WAY; THENCE NORTH 14° 45' 43" WEST, ALONG SAID EAST LINE, 238.23 FEET; THENCE NORTH 29° 45' 43" WEST ALONG SAID EAST LINE, 458.03 FEET TO THE NORTH LINE OF THE SOUTHEAST 1/4 OF THE SOUTHEAST 1/4 OF SECTION 36; THENCE SOUTH 89° 42' 03" EAST ALONG SAID NORTH LINE, 309.52 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 00° 32' 43" EAST, 626.82 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. CONTAINING 2 ACRES AND SUBJECT TO ALL LEGAL HIGHWAYS AND EASEMENTS.

PARCEL 3:

A PART OF THE SOUTHEAST 1/4 OF THE SOUTHEAST 1/4 OF SECTION 36, TOWNSHIP 36 NORTH, RANGE 8 WEST OF THE SECOND PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA, LYING NORTH OF THE ABANDONED ELGIN, JOLIET AND EASTERN RAILWAY, WEST OF THE NIPSCO RIGHT OF WAY AND EAST OF LAKE GEORGE, DESCRIBED AS: COMMENCING AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF SECTION 36; THENCE NORTH 00° 32' 43" WEST ALONG THE EAST SECTION LINE, 707.97 FEET TO THE NORTH RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF THE ABANDONED ELGIN, JOLIET, AND EASTERN RAILWAY; THENCE NORTH 89° 38' 03" WEST, ALONG SAID NORTH LINE, 442.01 FEET TO THE WEST LINE OF THE NIPSCO RIGHT O WAY; THENCE NORTH 14° 45' 43" WEST, ALONG SAID WEST LINE, 72.77 FEET; THENCE NORTH 29° 45' 43" WEST ALONG SAID WEST LINE, 160 FEET TO THE EAST EDGE OF LAKE GEORGE; THENCE SOUTH ALONG SAID EAST LINE, 210 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 89° 38' 03" EAST ALONG SAID NORTH LINE, 110 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

CONTAINING 0.2 ACRE AND SUBJECT TO ALL LEGAL HIGHWAYS AND EASEMENTS.

Special Warranty Deed

EXHIBIT A

PARCEL 1:

A PARCEL OF LAND BEING THE NORTH 1/2 OF THE ABANDONED ELGIN, JOLIET AND EASTERN RAILWAY PROPERTY IN THE WEST 1/2 OF THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 31. TOWNSHIP 36 NORTH, RANGE 7 WEST AND THAT PART OF THE ABANDONED ELGIN, JOLIET AND EASTERN RAILWAY PROPERTY LYING EAST OF THE NIPSCO RIGHT OF WAY IN THE SOUTHEAST 1/4 OF SECTION 36, TOWNSHIP 36 NORTH, RANGE 8 WEST OF THE SECOND PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA. CONTAINING 0.69 ACRE AND SUBJECT TO ALL LEGAL HIGHWAYS AND EASEMENTS.

PARCEL 2:

This Document is the property of A PARCEL OF LAND BEING PART OF THE NORTH 1/2 OF THE ABANDONED ELGIN, JOLIET AND EASTERN RAILWAY PROPERTY IN THE SOUTHEAST 1/4 OF SECTION 36, TOWNSHIP 36 NORTH, RANGE 8 WEST OF THE SECOND PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA, DESCRIBED AS: COMMENCING AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF SECTION 36: THENCE NORTH 00° 32' 43" WEST ALONG THE EAST SECTION LINE, 607.95 FEET TO THE SOUTH RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF THE ELGIN, JOLIET, AND EASTERN RAILWAY; THENCE NORTH 89° 38' 03" WEST, 416,57 FEET, ALONG SAID SOUTH LINE, TO THE WEST LINE OF THE NIPSCO RIGHT OF WAY; THENCE NORTH 14° 45' 43" WEST, ALONG SAID WEST LINE, 51.79 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE NORTH 89° 38' 03" WEST, 120 FEET, TO THE WATER'S EDGE OF LAKE GEORGE; THENCE NORTH ALONG THE WATER'S EDGE, 50.00 FEET TO THE NORTH RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF SAID RAILWAY; THENCE SOUTH 89° 38' 03" EAST, 110 FEET TO THE WEST LINE OF THE NIPSCO RIGHT OF WAY; THENCE SOUTH 14° 45' 43" EAST ALONG SAID WEST LINE, 51.79 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. CONTAINING 0.1 ACRE AND SUBJECT TO ALL LEGAL HIGHWAYS AND **EASEMENTS**

Quit Claim Deed

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