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VEGETATION MANAGEMENT EASEMENT

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, That John A. Sowles and Susan J. Sowles Trustees, or their successors in trust, under the John and Susan Sowles Living Trust, dated October 19, 2000, and any amendments thereto (herein called the "Grantor", regardless of whether one or more in number) in consideration of the sum of one dollar (\$1.00) and other valuable considerations, in hand paid to the Grantor, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, does hereby grant to Northern Indiana Public Service Company, an Indiana Corporation, and to its successors and assigns (herein called "Grantee"), an easement, including the right of ingress and egress to and from the strip of easement land, over adjoining lands of Grantor the right and authority to, from time to time, enter upon and to trim, cut down, clear, including without limitation by application of herbicides, and remove from the easement area hereinafter described and from the adjoining lands of the Granter, any overhanging branches or undergrowth, or any trees of such height which may, in the sole judgment of Grantee, endanger the safety of, inhibit access to, or interfere with the use or enjoyment of, of Grantee's facilities; said easement area being that certain the strip of Grantor's land, situated in Section 32, Township 35 North, Range 7 West, of the Second Principal Meridian, the Canty of Lake, State of Indiana, described as follows:

See Exhibit "A" attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference for legal description.

The Grantee shall indemnify and save the Grantors harmless from and against any and all damage, injuries, losses, claims, demands or costs proximately caused by the negligence of the Grantee in the exercise of the easement and rights granted herein.

These presents shall run with the land and be binding upon and accrue to the benefit of: Grantor, and the heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns of Grantor; and Grantee, its successors and assigns ke County Recorder!

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Grantor has duly executed this instrument this of June, A.D. 2012.

Grantor:

(Signed

STATE OF INDIANA

COUNTY OF LAKE

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PEGGY HOLINGA KATONA LAKE COUNTY AUDITOR

Personally appeared before me the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for said county and state

(Name) John A. Sowles, as Trustee and Susan J. Sowles, as Trustee

who acknowledged the execution of the foregoing instrument to be their voluntary act and deed.

WITNESS my hand and notarial seal this _____ day of June, 2012

Notary Public - Dor W. Carnahan

My Commission Expires January 17, 2019

A Resident of Lake County, Indiana

I affirm, under penalties for perjury, that I have taken reasonable care to redact each social security number in this document, unless required by law.

This instrument prepared by: Don W. Carnahan

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EXHIBIT "A"

A strip of land situated in Section 32, Township 35 North, Range 7 West of the Second Principal Meridian, in the County of Lake, State of Indiana described as follows:

The North 150 feet of the following described parcel of land;

The East 197.36 feet of the following described Parcel of land to wit: That part of the Northeast quarter of Section 32, Township 35 North, Range 7 West of the 2nd P.M. described as commencing at the Southwest corner of said Northeast Quarter, thence East along the South line of said Northeast quarter a distance of 627.73 feet to the point of beginning; thence North at an angle from East to North of 90 degrees 31 minutes a distance of 1,456.66 feet to a point on the Southerly right of way line of the Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad; thence Northwesterly along said Southerly right of way line a distance of 432.45 feet; thence South along a line parallel with the East line of this parcel a distance of 1,669.18 feet to a point on the South line of said Northeast Quarter; thence East along said South line a distance of 374.72 feet to the point of beginning, all in Lake County, Indiana.

Containing 0.3725 acres of land, more or less.

Doed Reference: 2003-109856

