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July 8, 2008

Mr. Brian Powers
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Re: Docket No. 080170-GU - 2008 depreciation study by Indiantown Gas Company

Dear Mr. Powers:
Staff's second data request regarding Indiantown Gas Company's Depreciation Study filed in the above referenced docket is attached. In order to complete the review and meet a December 16, 2008, agenda date, please provide the Company's response by August 30, 2008.

Should you have any questions, or need further information, please do not hesitate to contact Betty Gardner at (850) 413-6742.

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Attachment

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cc: Office of the General Counsel (Brown)
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## Reference: Exhibit C - Calculation Worksheets Pursuant to Filing Requirement $6(\mathrm{~g})$

Staff has identified errors in the company's calculation of the average age of various plant accounts that is attributable to the placement of the plant retirement. When calculating the average age, consideration must be given to each vintage group, and the dispersion of the retirements by age. The misplacement of the plant retirements has impacted the calculated average age of several plant accounts. Staff has identified some of the obvious misplacement of retirements and attached examples for the company to follow in making the necessary adjustments. In addition, the company must recalculate the average age of the affected plant accounts found in Exhibit C.

## Account 376-A Mains-Steel, page A-1

(1) The 2001 addition balance is $\$ 5,152$ and the company applied a 1996 retirement in the amount of $\$ 126$. This entry shows that the $\$ 126$ retirement was not placed according to its in-service date. Please provide the in-service date for this retirement. Also, reconcile the retirement to the appropriate plant addition balance.
(2) The company shows an end of year balance for this account in the amount of $\$ 134,051$, but based on staff's calculation it should be $\$ 191,849$. Please correct the calculation prior to recalculating the average age for this account.

## Account 376-B Mains-Steel, page A-2

(3) The 1969 and 1970 addition balance shows no retirements, however, the company applied the 1969 or 1970 retirement(s) in the amount of $\$ 329.30$ against the 1994 additions. This entry shows that the $\$ 329.30$ retirement was not placed according to its in-service date. Please provide the in-service date and reconciliation for the plant retirements in the amount of $\$ 329.30$ to the appropriate addition balance.
(4) A plant retirement in the amount of $\$ 66.75$ occurred during 1969 or 1970, but the adjustment is against the 1995 addition balance in the amount of $\$ 38,341$. Please reconcile the retirement amount to the appropriate plant addition balance.
(5) A plant retirement in the amount of $\$ 9,471$ is shown to be retired during 1969 and 1970, however, the adjustment is against the 2000 plant additions. Please reconcile.

## Account 378 M \& R Equipment, page A-3:

(6) For this plant account, the company shows a plant retirement in the amount of $\$ 30,335$ from the 1999 plant additions, but placed the amount in the 1971 retirement column. In addition, the $1970-71$ plant additions totals $\$ 30,335(\$ 29,622+\$ 713)$ and the 1999 additions balance is $\$ 10,922$. Staff reviewed this as an inappropriate placement of the $\$ 30,335$ retirement against the wrong plant additions balance. Please reconcile the plant additions and retirements for the years indicated above. Also, provide the inservice date for the plant retirements in the amount of $\$ 30,335$.
(7) For the 2001 plant additions balance of zero, the company applied plant retirements in the amount of $\$ 3,307$ which was placed in the 1993 retirement column. Also, the 1993
plant additions balance is $\$ 3,307$. Please reconcile for this account the plant additions balance and retirement.

## Account 380-A Services-Plastic, page A-4

(8) Please provide the in-service date for the $\$ 52$ plant retirement that has been applied to the 2007 additions. Should this $\$ 52$ in plant retirement be applied to the 2000 plant additions? Please reconcile this account.

Account 381-Meters, page A-5
(9) The 1970 retirements for this account totals $\$ 11,951$ which is the same dollar amount for the 1970 plant additions. The retirements should be placed based on the year it occurred, and in line with the year the assets were placed in-service or added to plant.
(10) The 1972 and 73 retirements totals $\$ 2,436$ which is the combined total of the 1972 and 1973 plant additions balances. Please provide the in-service date of these retirements and apply the appropriate retirements to the applicable year for the plant additions balances.
(11) The 2005 retirement(s) in the amount of $\$ 1,115$ is the same as the 1979 plant additions balance. Please apply the retirement amount to the appropriate year for balance of additions.
(12) The 2005 retirement in the amount of $\$ 243$ is the same as the 1994 plant addition balance. Please provide the in-service date for this retirement and apply it to the applicable year for the plant addition balance.
(13) The 2005 retirement in the amount of $\$ 419$ is the same as the 1995 plant addition balance. Please provide the in-service date of the $\$ 419$ retirement and apply it to the appropriate year for the plant addition balance.
(14) Please provide the in-service date of all retirements.

Account 382- Meter Installations, page A-6
(15) The 1998 additions in the amount of $\$ 552$ show retirements for the period of 1964 through 1996. Please provide the in-service dates for the retirements in the amount of $\$ 89, \$ 53, \$ 150, \$ 133.03$, and $\$ 32.66$. In addition, please assign the retirements shown for the 1998 additions to its appropriate year based on the in-service date.
(16) The 1999 plant additions balance is $\$ 1,942$, but the company shows a retirement for the period of 1964 in the amount of $\$ 4,412$. Please provide the in-service date and assign the retirement to the appropriate year of in-service. Also, provide staff the in-service date in the amount of $\$ 4,412$.
(17) For the 1997 retirements in the amount of $\$ 203$, please provide the in-service date of the retired plant.

Account 383- Regulators, page A-7
(18) The 1998 addition balance is zero, but the company applied a 1970 retirement in the amount of $\$ 40.01$. Please provide the inservice date of the retired plant and recalculate the average age of this account.
(19) The 2001 addition balance is zero, but the company applied a 2001 retirement in the amount of $\$ 83.70$. In staff view, the company assigned the 2001 retirements to the wrong year. Please provide the inservice date of the retired plant and recalculate the average age for this account.

## Account 385 - Industrial Measure \& Regulation Equipment, page A-8

(20) The 1995 addition balance in the amount of $\$ 12,043$ shows a retirement in the amount of $\$ 11,780$. Please provide the in-service date of the retirement and the date the plant asset was retired. In addition, if the retirement was inappropriately assigned, please correct and recalculate the average age of the account.

Account 390 - Structures and Improvements, page A-9
(21) This account shows plant retirements in the amounts of $\$ 13,098.09, \$ 1,975.09$, and $\$ 1,588.94$. Please provide the in-service date of each retirement, and assign the retirements to the appropriate year and addition balance.

Account 391-2 Office Furniture, page A-10
(22) The 1999 plant addition balance in the amount of $\$ 32,417$ shows no retirements but the 2000 addition balance of $\$ 21,802$ shows plant retirement in the amount of $\$ 32,417$. For the year 2000, the company's plant retirements exceeded the plant addition balance. Please reconcile 1999 and 2000 additions and retirements, and if necessary, recalculate the average age of this account.
(23) In 2001, a retirement occurred in the amount of $\$ 5,630.90$. Please provide the inservice date of the retirement. Also, the company should use the in-service date of the plant addition and assign the retirement to the appropriate year. In addition, the recalculation of the plant account's average age should be completed.

Account 391-3 Office Computers, page A-11
(24) The 2000 and 2001 retirements in the amount of $\$ 11,401.57$ and $\$ 1,350$, respectively, exceeds the plant addition balance in the amount of $\$ 7,035$ and zero for the same periods. Please provide the in-service date for the 2000 and 2001 plant retirements in the amount of $\$ 11,401.57$ and $\$ 1,350$. Also, by using the in-service date for the retirements, please assign the retirements amounts to the appropriate year for the balance of plant additions, and recalculate the average age of this account.

Account 392 Transportation Equipment, page A-12
(25) Please provide the in-service date for all retirements for the period of 1975 through 2000. Since this account has a zero addition balance, the company must review and assign the 2003 retirements to the appropriate year to eliminate the negative ending balance in the amount of $\$ 72,663.35$. After the company makes the necessary corrections for this account, please recalculate the accounts average age.

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Account 394 Tools, Shop, \& Garage Equipment, page A-13
(26) Please provide the in-service date for the retirements in the amount of $\$ 544.82$ and $\$ 793.70$. Also, by using the in-service date of the retirement, assign the retirement amounts to the appropriate year for the balance of plant additions and recalculate the average age for this account.

Account 397 Communication Equipment, page A-15
(27) Please provide the in-service date for the 1997 and 1999 retirements each in the amount of $\$ 1,502$. Also, by using the in-service date for the retirements, assign the retirement amounts to the appropriate year for the balance of plant additions and recalculate the average age for this account.

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