U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY UNDERGROUND INJECTION CONTROL PERMIT CLASS I NONHAZARDOUS PERMIT NUMBER IN-051-11-0003 DUKE ENERGY INDIANA, LLC OWENSVILLE, INDIANA



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Facility Name: WDW #3

Pursuant to the provisions of the Safe Drinking Water Act, as amended 42 U.S.C. §§300 et seq., (commonly known as the SDWA) and implementing regulations promulgated by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) at Parts 124, 144, 146, and 147 of Title 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations (40 C.F.R.),

Duke Energy Indiana, LLC of Plainfield, Indiana

is hereby authorized to continue operation of an existing Class I non-hazardous injection well located in Indiana, Gibson County, T2S, R12W, Section 5, NE Quarter Section, for injection into the Trenton Limestone, Black River Group, Ancell Group, and the Knox Supergroup at depths between 5718 feet to 8501 feet below the ground surface, upon the express condition that the permittee meet the restrictions set forth herein. The injection of any hazardous fluid as specified in 40 C.F.R. Part 261 is prohibited.

All references to Title 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations (40 C.F.R.) are to all regulations that are in effect on the date that this permit becomes effective. The following attachments are incorporated into this permit: A, B, C, D, E, F, and G.

This permit shall become effective on _________, and shall remain in full force and effect during the life of the permit, unless this permit is revoked and reissued, terminated, or modified pursuant to 40 C.F.R. §§144.39, 144.40, or 144.41.

This permit shall expire at midnight on	April 27, 2028	, unless terminated prior to
the expiration date.	/	

Signed and Dated:

Christopher Korleski Director, Water Division

PART I GENERAL PERMIT COMPLIANCE

A. EFFECT OF PERMIT

The permittee is allowed to engage in underground injection in accordance with the conditions of this permit. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this permit, the permittee authorized by this permit shall not construct, operate, maintain, convert, plug, abandon, or conduct any injection activity in a manner that allows the movement of injection, annulus or formation fluids into underground sources of drinking water (USDWs); if the presence of contaminants may cause a violation of any primary drinking water regulation under 40 C.F.R. Part 141 or may otherwise adversely affect the health of persons. Any underground injection activity not specifically authorized in this permit is prohibited. For purposes of enforcement, compliance with this permit during its term constitutes compliance with Part C of the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA). Such compliance does not constitute a defense to any action brought under Section 1431 of the SDWA, or any other common or statutory law other than Part C of the SDWA. Issuance of this permit does not convey property rights of any sort or any exclusive privilege; nor does it authorize any injury to persons or property, any invasion of other private rights, or any infringement of State or local law or regulations. Nothing in this permit shall be construed to relieve the permittee of any duties under applicable regulations.

B. PERMIT ACTIONS

- 1. <u>Modification, Revocation and Reissuance, and Termination</u> The Director of the Water Division of EPA Region 5, hereinafter, the Director, may, for cause or upon request from any interested person, modify, revoke and reissue, or terminate this permit in accordance with 40 C.F.R. §§144.12, 144.39, and 144.40. Also, the permit is subject to minor modifications as specified in 40 C.F.R. §144.41. The filing of a request for a permit modification, revocation and reissuance, or termination, or the notification of planned changes, or anticipated noncompliance on the part of the permittee does not stay the applicability or enforceability of any permit condition.
- 2. <u>Transfer of Permits</u> This permit is not transferable to any person except in accordance with 40 C.F.R. §144.38.

C. SEVERABILITY

The provisions of this permit are severable, and if any provision of this permit or the application of any provision of this permit to any circumstance is held invalid, the application of such provision to other circumstances and the remainder of this permit shall not be affected thereby.

D. CONFIDENTIALITY

In accordance with 40 C.F.R. Part 2 and Section 144.5, any information submitted to EPA pursuant to this permit may be claimed as confidential by the submitter. Any such claim must be asserted at the time of submission by stamping the words "confidential business information" on each page containing such information. If no claim is made at the time of submission, EPA may make the information available to the public without further notice. If a claim is asserted, the validity of the claim will be assessed in accordance with the procedures in 40 C.F.R. Part 2 (Public Information). Claims of confidentiality for the following information will be denied:

- 1. The name and address of the permittee; and
- 2. Information that deals with the existence, absence, or level of contaminants in drinking water.

E. DUTIES AND REQUIREMENTS

- 1. <u>Duty to Comply</u> The permittee must comply with all conditions of this permit. Any permit noncompliance constitutes a violation of the Safe Drinking Water Act and is grounds for enforcement action; for permit termination, revocation and reissuance, or modification; or for denial of a permit renewal application; except that the permittee need not comply with the provisions of this permit to the extent and for the duration such noncompliance is authorized by an emergency permit issued in accordance with 40 C.F.R. §144.34.
- 2. <u>Penalties for Violations of Permit Conditions</u> Any person who violates a permit requirement is subject to civil penalties and other enforcement action under the SDWA. Any person who willfully violates permit conditions may be subject to criminal prosecution.
- 3. Continuation of Expiring Permits
 - (a) <u>Duty to Reapply</u> If the permittee wishes to continue an activity regulated by this permit after the expiration date of this permit, the permittee must submit a complete application for a new permit at least 180 calendar days before this permit expires.
 - (b) <u>Permit Extensions</u> The conditions of an expired permit may continue in force in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 558(c) and 40 C.F.R. §144.37.
 - (c) <u>Effect</u> Permits continued under 5 U.S.C. 558(c) and 40 C.F.R §144.37 remain fully effective and enforceable.
 - (d) <u>Enforcement</u> When the permittee is not in compliance with the conditions of the expiring or expired permit, the Director may choose to do any or all of the following:
 - (1) Initiate enforcement action based upon the permit which has been continued;
 - (2) Issue a notice of intent to deny the new permit. If the permit is denied, the owner or operator would then be required to cease the activities authorized by the continued permit or be subject to enforcement action for operation without a permit;

- (3) Issue a new permit under Part 124 with appropriate conditions; or
- (4) Take other actions authorized by these regulations.
- (e) <u>State Continuation</u> An EPA-issued permit does not continue in force beyond its expiration date under Federal law if at that time a State has primary enforcement responsibility under the SDWA. A State authorized to administer the UIC program may continue either EPA or State-issued permits until the effective date of the new permits, if State law allows. Otherwise, the facility or activity is operating without a permit from the time of expiration of the old permit to the effective date of the State-issued new permit. Furthermore, if the State does not continue the EPA permit upon obtaining primary enforcement responsibility, the permittee must obtain a new State permit or be authorized to inject by State rule. Failure to do so while continuing to operate the well constitutes unauthorized injection and is a violation subject to enforcement action.
- 4. <u>Need to Halt or Reduce Activity Not a Defense</u> It shall not be a defense for the permittee in an enforcement action to claim that it would have been necessary to halt or reduce the permitted activity in order to maintain compliance with the conditions of this permit.
- 5. <u>Duty to Mitigate</u> The permittee shall take all timely and reasonable steps necessary to minimize or correct any adverse impact on the environment resulting from noncompliance with this permit.
- 6. <u>Proper Operation and Maintenance</u> The permittee shall at all times properly operate and maintain all facilities and systems of treatment and control and related appurtenances that are installed or used by the permittee to achieve compliance with the conditions of this permit. Proper operation and maintenance includes effective performance, adequate funding, adequate operator staffing and training, and adequate laboratory and process controls, including appropriate quality assurance procedures. This provision requires the operation of back-up or auxiliary facilities or similar systems only when necessary to achieve compliance with the conditions of this permit.
- 7. <u>Duty to Provide Information</u> The permittee shall furnish to the Director, within a time specified, any information that the Director may request to determine whether cause exists for modifying, revoking and reissuing, or terminating this permit, or to determine compliance with this permit. The permittee shall also furnish to the Director, upon request, copies of records required to be kept by this permit.
- 8. <u>Inspection and Entry</u> The permittee shall allow the Director or an authorized representative, upon the presentation of credentials and other documents as may be required by law, to:
 - (a) Enter, at reasonable times, upon the permittee's premises where a regulated facility or activity is located or conducted, or where records are kept under the conditions of this permit;
 - (b) Have access to and copy, at reasonable times, any records that are kept under the conditions of this permit;
 - (c) Inspect, at reasonable times, any facilities, equipment (including monitoring and control equipment), practices, or operations regulated or required under this permit; and

- (d) Sample or monitor, at reasonable times, for the purposes of assuring permit compliance or as otherwise authorized by the SDWA, any substances or parameters at any facilities, equipment or operations regulated or required under this permit.
- 9. <u>Records</u>
 - (a) The permittee shall retain records and all monitoring information, including all calibration and maintenance records and all original chart recordings for continuous monitoring instrumentation and copies of all reports required by this permit for a period of at least five years from the date of the sample, measurement or report, unless these materials are submitted to the Director as part of reporting requirements under this permit.
 - (b) The permittee shall maintain records of all data required to complete the permit application form for this permit and any supplemental information submitted under 40 C.F.R. §§144.27, 144.28, and 144.31 for a period of at least five years from the date the permit application was signed.
 - (c) The permittee shall retain records concerning the nature and composition of all injected fluids until three years after the completion of plugging and abandonment of this injection well.
 - (d) The retention period specified in Part I(E)(9)(a) through (c) of this permit may be extended by request of the Director at any time. The permittee shall continue to retain records after the retention period specified in Part I(E)(9)(a) through (c) of this permit or any requested extension thereof expires unless the permittee delivers the records to the Director or obtains written approval from the Director to discard the records.
 - (e) Records of monitoring information shall include:
 - (1) The date, exact place, and time of sampling or measurements;
 - (2) The name(s) of individual(s) who performed the sampling or measurements;
 - (3) A precise description of both sampling methodology and the handling of samples;
 - (4) The date(s) analyses were performed;
 - (5) The name(s) of individual(s) who performed the analyses;
 - (6) The analytical techniques or methods used; and
 - (7) The results of such analyses.
- 10. <u>Monitoring</u> Samples and measurements taken for the purpose of monitoring shall be representative of the monitored activity. Sampling and analysis shall comply with the specifications of the Waste Analysis Plan required by Part II(C)(3) of this permit. Monitoring results shall be reported at the intervals contained in Part II(D)(1) through (3) and Part III(A) of this permit. Monitoring results shall be reported at the intervals contained in Part II(D)(1) through (3) and Part III(D)(1) through (3) and Part III(D)(1) through (3) and Part III(D)(1) through (3) and Part III(A) of this permit.
 - (a) The permittee shall use the methods described in EPA's "Test Methods for the Evaluation of Solid Waste, Physical/Chemical Methods" (SW-846, available on EPA's web site) or equivalent methods approved by the Director to sample the injected fluids.
 - (b) The permittee shall use applicable analytical methods described in Table I of 40 CFR 136.3 or in certain circumstances by other methods that have been approved by the Director to monitor the nature of the injected fluids.

- 11. <u>Signatory Requirements</u> All reports or other information required to be submitted by this permit or requested by the Director shall be signed and certified in accordance with 40 C.F.R. §144.32.
- 12. <u>Reporting Requirements</u>
 - (a) <u>Planned Changes</u> The permittee shall give written notice to the Director, as soon as possible, of any planned physical alterations or additions to the permitted facility.
 - (b) <u>Anticipated Noncompliance</u> The permittee shall give advance notice to the Director of any planned changes in the permitted facility or activity that may result in noncompliance with permit requirements.
 - (c) <u>Compliance Schedules</u> Reports of compliance or noncompliance with, or any progress reports on, interim and final requirements contained in any compliance schedule of this permit shall be submitted by the permittee no later than 30 calendar days following each schedule date.
 - (d) <u>Twenty-four Hour Reporting</u>
 - (1) The permittee shall report to the Director any permit noncompliance that may endanger human health or the environment. See, e.g., Part I(G)(5) of this permit. Any information shall be provided orally within 24 hours from the time the permittee becomes aware of the circumstances. Such reports shall include, but not be limited to the following information:
 - (i) Any monitoring or other information that indicates that any contaminant may cause an endangerment to a USDW;
 - (ii) Any noncompliance with a permit condition, or malfunction of the injection system, which may cause fluid migration into or between USDWs; and(iii) Any failure to maintain mechanical integrity.
 - (2) A written submission shall also be provided within five working days of the time the permittee becomes aware of the circumstances. The written submission shall contain a description of the noncompliance and its cause; the period of noncompliance, including exact dates and times, and, if the noncompliance has not been corrected, the anticipated time it is expected to continue; and steps taken or planned to reduce, eliminate and prevent recurrence of the noncompliance.
 - (e) <u>Other Noncompliance</u> The permittee shall report all other instances of noncompliance not otherwise reported at the time monitoring reports are submitted. The reports shall contain the information listed in Part I(E)(12)(d)(2) of this permit.
 - (f) <u>Other Information</u> When the permittee becomes aware of failure to submit any relevant facts in the permit application or that incorrect information was submitted in a permit application or in any report to the Director, the permittee shall submit such facts or corrected information within 10 calendar days.
 - (g) <u>Report on Permit Review</u> Within 30 calendar days of receipt of this permit, the permittee shall certify to the Director that he or she has read and is personally familiar with all terms and conditions of this permit.

F. PLUGGING AND ABANDONMENT

1. <u>Notice of Plugging and Abandonment</u> - The permittee shall notify the Director at least 60 calendar days before conversion or abandonment of the well. At the discretion of the Director, a shorter notice period may be allowed.

- 2. <u>Plugging and Abandonment</u> The permittee must receive the approval of the Director before plugging the well and shall plug and abandon the well consistent with 40 C.F.R. §§ 144.52(a)(6) and 146.10, as provided for in the Plugging and Abandonment Plan contained in Part III(B) of this permit. Within 60 calendar days after plugging a well, the permittee shall submit a Plugging and Abandonment report to the Director. The report shall be certified as accurate by the permittee and by the person who performed the plugging operation (if other than the permittee), and shall consist of either:
 - (a) A statement that the well was plugged in accordance with the Plugging and Abandonment Plan previously approved by the Director; or
 - (b) If the actual plugging differed from the approved plan, a statement defining the actual plugging and explaining why there was such deviation.
- 3. <u>Temporary Abandonment</u> If the permittee ceases injection into the well for more than 24 consecutive months, the well is considered to be in temporary abandoned status. The permittee shall plug and abandon the well in accordance with the approved plan and 40 CFR 144.52(a)(6) unless the permittee:
 - (a) Provides notice to the Director 30 days prior to the end of the 24th month, and
 - (b) Describes actions or procedures, satisfactory to the Director, that the owner or operator will take to ensure that the well will not endanger USDWs during the period of temporary abandonment. These actions and procedures shall include compliance with the technical requirements applicable to active injection wells unless waived by the Director.
 - (c) During any periods of temporary abandonment or disuse, the well shall be tested to ensure that it maintains mechanical integrity. Internal mechanical integrity (Part I(G)(2)(a)) shall be tested annually. External mechanical integrity (Part I(G)(2)(b)) shall be tested every two years. If the well loses mechanical integrity prior to the next test due date, the well must either be plugged or repaired and retested with 30 days of losing mechanical integrity. The permittee shall continue to comply with the conditions of this permit, including all monitoring and reporting requirements according to the frequencies outlined in the permit.
- 4. <u>Revision of Plugging and Abandonment Plan</u> If the permittee finds it necessary to change a Plugging and Abandonment Plan, a revised plan shall be submitted to the Director for approval at the time of the next monthly report.
- 5. <u>Standards for Well Closure</u> Prior to plugging and abandoning the well:
 - (a) The permittee shall observe and record the pressure decay for a time specified by the Director and shall report this information to the Director;
 - (b) The permittee shall conduct appropriate mechanical integrity testing to ensure the integrity of that portion of the long string casing and cement that will be left in the ground after closure. Testing methods may include:
 - (1) Pressure tests with liquid;
 - (2) Noise, temperature, pipe evaluation, or cement bond logs; or
 - (3) Any other test required by the Director.
 - (c) Prior to well closure, the well shall be flushed with a buffer fluid.
- G. MECHANICAL INTEGRITY & TESTING

- 1. <u>Standards</u> The injection well must have and maintain mechanical integrity consistent with 40 C.F.R. §146.8(a)(1) and (2). Mechanical integrity demonstrations must be witnessed by an authorized representative of the Director, unless the Director informs the permittee that he or she is not able to witness a given test.
- 2. <u>Periodic Mechanical Integrity Testing</u> The permittee shall conduct the mechanical integrity testing as follows:
 - (a) Long string casing, injection tubing, and annular seal shall be tested by means of an approved pressure test in accordance with 40 C.F.R. §146.8(b)(2). This test shall be performed at least once every 12 months beginning with the date of the last approved demonstration and whenever there has been a well workover in which tubing is removed from the well, the packer is reset, or when loss of mechanical integrity becomes suspected during operation;
 - (b) An approved temperature, noise, oxygen activation, or other approved log shall be run at least once every 60 months from the date of the last approved demonstration to test for movement of fluid along the bore hole. The Director may require such tests whenever the well is worked over. The permittee must submit logging procedures to the Director for approval before running logs for the purpose of meeting this requirement.
 - (c) The permittee may request the Director to use any other test approved by the Director in accordance with the procedures in §146.8(d).
- 3. <u>Prior Notice and Reporting</u> The permittee shall notify the Director of his or her intent to demonstrate mechanical integrity or conduct testing at least 30 calendar days prior to such procedure. At the discretion of the Director a shorter time period may be allowed. The permittee must submit procedures to the Director for approval before running logs for the purpose of meeting this requirement. Reports of any testing must include an interpretation of results by a knowledgeable analyst. The permittee shall report the results of any testing within 45 calendar days after completion thereof.
- 4. <u>Gauges</u> The permittee shall calibrate all gauges used in mechanical integrity demonstrations to an accuracy of not less than 0.5 percent of full scale, prior to each required test of mechanical integrity. A copy of the calibration certificate shall be submitted to the Director or his or her representative at the time of demonstration and every time the gauge is calibrated. The gauge shall be marked in no greater than five psi increments.
- 5. Loss of Mechanical Integrity If the permittee or the Director finds that the well fails to demonstrate mechanical integrity during a test, or fails to maintain mechanical integrity during operation, or that a loss of mechanical integrity as defined by 40 C.F.R. §146.8(a)(1) and (2) is suspected during operation, the permittee shall halt the operation immediately and follow the reporting requirements as directed in Part I(E)(12) of this permit. The permittee shall not resume operation until mechanical integrity is demonstrated and the Director gives approval to recommence injection.
- 6. <u>Mechanical Integrity Testing on Request From Director</u> The permittee shall demonstrate mechanical integrity at any time upon written notice from the Director.

7. <u>Automatic Warning and Automatic Shut-off System</u> - The permittee must test the automatic warning and automatic shut-off system at least every 12 months. This test must involve subjecting the system to simulated failure conditions and must be witnessed by the Director or his or her representative unless the Director waives this requirement.

H. FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

- 1. <u>Financial Responsibility</u> The permittee shall maintain financial responsibility and resources to close, plug, and abandon the underground injection operation in a manner consistent with 40 C.F.R. §144.52(a)(7). The approved financial assurance mechanism is found in Part III(C) of this permit.
 - (a) The permittee must maintain a written cost estimate, in current dollars, for the Plugging and Abandonment Plan as specified in 40 C.F.R. §146.10. The plugging and abandonment cost estimate at any point in the life of the facility operation must equal the maximum cost of plugging and abandonment at that time.
 - (b) The permittee must adjust the cost estimate of plugging and abandonment for inflation within 30 calendar days after each anniversary of the first estimate.
 - (c) The permittee must revise the plugging and abandonment cost estimate whenever a change in the Plugging and Abandonment Plan increases the cost of plugging and abandonment.
 - (d) If the revised plugging and abandonment estimate exceeds the current amount of the financial assurance mechanism, the permittee shall submit a revised mechanism to cover the increased cost within 30 calendar days after the revision specified in Part I(H)(1)(b) and (c) of this permit.
 - (e) The permittee must keep on file at the facility a copy of the latest plugging and abandonment cost estimate prepared in accordance with 40 C.F.R. §144.52(a)(7), during the operating life of the facility.
- 2. <u>Insolvency</u> The permittee must notify the Director within 10 business days of any of the following events:
 - (a) The bankruptcy of the trustee or issuing institution of the financial mechanism; or
 - (b) Suspension or revocation of the authority of the trustee institution to act as trustee; or
 - (c) The institution issuing the financial mechanism losing its authority to issue such an instrument.
- 3. <u>Notification</u> The permittee must notify the Director by certified mail of the commencement of voluntary or involuntary proceedings under Title 11 (Bankruptcy), U.S. Code naming the owner or operator as debtor, within 10 business days after the commencement of the proceeding. A guarantor of a corporate guarantee must make such a notification if he or she is named as debtor, as required under the terms of the guarantee.
- 4. <u>Establishing Other Coverage</u> The owner or operator must establish other financial assurance or liability coverage acceptable to the Director, within 60 calendar days of the occurrence of the events in Part I(H)(2) or (H)(3) of this permit.

I. CORRECTIVE ACTION

1. <u>Compliance</u> - The permittee shall comply with 40 C.F.R. §§144.55 and 146.7.

- 2. <u>Corrective Action Plan</u> The permittee shall file a Corrective Action Plan for approval by the Director within 30 days of a written determination by the Director that improperly plugged, completed, or abandoned wells, or wells for which plugging or completion information is unavailable, are present in the area of review and penetrate the confining zone of the permitted well, as defined in the administrative record for this permit.
- 3. <u>Prohibition of Movement of Fluids into USDWs</u> Should upward migration of fluids through the confining zone of this permitted well be discovered within the two mile area of review due to injection activities at this facility, and should this migration of fluids cause the introduction of any contaminant into a USDW pursuant to 40 C.F.R. §144.12, the permittee shall immediately cease injection into this well until the situation has been corrected and reauthorization to inject has been given by the Director.

PART II WELL SPECIFIC CONDITIONS FOR UIC PERMITS

A. CONSTRUCTION

- 1. <u>Siting</u>- All Class I wells shall be sited in such a fashion that they inject into a formation that is beneath the lowermost formation containing, within one quarter mile of the well bore, an underground source of drinking water.
- 2. <u>Casing and Cementing</u> Notwithstanding any other provisions of this permit, the permittee shall case and cement the well in such a manner so as to prevent the movement of fluids into or between USDWs for the expected life of the well. The casing and cement used in the construction of this well are shown in Part III(E) of this permit and in the administrative record for this permit. Any change shall be submitted for approval by the Director before installation.
- 3. <u>Tubing and Packer Specifications</u> The permittee shall inject only through tubing with a packer set within the long string casing at a point within or below the confining zone. The tubing and packer used in the well are represented in engineering drawings contained in Part III(E) of this permit. Any changes shall be submitted by the permittee for the approval of the Director before installation.
- 4. <u>Wellhead Specification</u> The permittee shall install and maintain a female coupling and valve on the wellhead, to be used for independent injection pressure readings. Further, the permittee shall install a sampling port for waste sampling consistent with the permittee's waste sampling procedures, if applicable.

B. OPERATIONS

- 1. <u>Injection Pressure Limitation</u> Except during stimulation, the permittee shall not cause or permit the injection pressure at the wellhead to exceed the maximum limitation which is specified in Part III(A) of this permit. In no case shall injection pressure initiate fractures or propagate existing fractures in the confining zone or cause the movement of injection or formation fluids into a USDW. The instantaneous maximum surface pressure limit specified in Part III(A) of this permit shall be adjusted as the instantaneous injection fluid specific gravity varies in accordance with the calculation set forth in Part III(A).
- 2. <u>Additional Injection Limitation</u> No waste streams other than those identified in Part III(F) of this permit shall be injected. Every 12 months the permittee shall submit a certified statement attesting to compliance with this requirement.
- 3. <u>Annulus Fluid and Pressure</u> The permittee shall fill the annulus between the tubing and the long string casing with a fluid approved by the Director and identified in the administrative record of this permit. Any change in the annulus fluid, except during workovers or times of annulus maintenance, shall be submitted by the permittee for the approval of the Director before replacement. Except during workovers, the permittee shall maintain a positive pressure on the annulus as specified in Part III(A) of this permit.

- 4. <u>Annulus/Tubing Pressure Differential</u> Except during workovers or times of annulus maintenance, the permittee shall maintain, over the entire length of the tubing, a pressure differential between the tubing and annulus as specified in Part III(A) of this permit.
- 5. <u>Automatic Warning and Automatic Shut-off System</u> The permittee shall continuously operate and maintain an automatic warning and automatic shut-off system to stop injection in any of the following situations:
 - (a) Pressure changes in the annulus or annulus/tubing differential signifying or identifying possible deficiencies in mechanical integrity; or

(b)Injection pressure, annulus pressure, or annulus/tubing differential pressure reaches the pressure limits as specified in Part III(A) of this permit.

Whenever the maximum surface pressure limit is adjusted in accordance with the calculation set forth in Part III(A), alarm and shut-down pressures must be adjusted to the same extent. A trained operator either must be on site and within perceptible distance of the alarm at all times when the well is operating or the conditions articulated in Part III(G) must be followed. The permittee must test the automatic warning and automatic shut-off system at least every twelfth month. This test must involve subjecting the system to simulated failure conditions and must be witnessed by the Director or his or her representative unless the Director waives this requirement.

6. Precautions to Prevent Well Blowouts

- (a) The permittee shall maintain on the well at all times a pressure that will prevent the return of the injection fluid to the surface. The well bore must be filled with a high specific gravity fluid during workovers to maintain a positive (downward) gradient and/or a plug shall be installed which can resist the pressure differential. A blowout preventer must be kept in proper operational status during workovers.
- (b) In cases where the injected wastes have the potential to react with the injection formation to generate gases, the permittee shall follow the procedures below to assure that a backflow or blowout does not occur:
 - (1) Limit the temperature, pH, or acidity of the injected waste; and
 - (2) Develop procedures necessary to assure that pressure imbalances do not occur.

C. MONITORING

- 1. <u>Sampling Point</u> The injection fluid samples shall be taken at the sampling location as specified in Part III(A) of this permit.
- 2. <u>Continuous Monitoring Devices</u> The permittee shall maintain continuous monitoring devices and use them to monitor injection pressure, specific gravity, flow rate, and the pressure on the annulus between the tubing and the long string of casing. The monitoring results shall be submitted to the Director as specified in Part II(D) of this permit. The permittee shall maintain for EPA's inspection at the facility an appropriately scaled, continuous record of these monitoring results as well as original copies of any digitally recorded information pertaining to these operations.

- 3. <u>Waste Analysis Plan</u> The permittee shall comply with the written Waste Analysis Plan that describes the procedures used to monitor the nature of injected fluids and the procedures which will be carried out to comply with Part (I)(E)(10) of permit. A copy of the approved plan shall also be kept at the facility.
- 4. <u>Ambient Monitoring</u> The permittee shall monitor the pressure buildup in the injection zone, at least once every 12 months, including a shut-down of the well for a time sufficient to conduct a valid observation of the pressure fall-off curve. The permittee shall notify the Director of his/her intent to demonstrate mechanical integrity at least 30 days prior to such demonstration, and submit the proposed procedures for review. From the pressure build-up observation, the permittee shall submit a report including at least a calculation of pressure build-up in the injection zone, injection zone transmissivity, and wellbore skin factor.
- 5. <u>Temperature Monitoring</u> The permittee shall monitor injectate temperature at least once daily on each day during which injection occurs. If injection occurs during more than one eight-hour period in a day, temperature must be recorded at least once every six hours. The monitoring results shall be submitted to the Director as specified in Part II(D)(1)(f) of this permit.

D. REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

The permittee shall submit all required reports to the Director at:

U.S Environmental Protection Agency Region 5 77 West Jackson Boulevard Chicago, Illinois 60604-3590 ATTN: UIC Branch (WU-16J)

- 1. <u>Monthly Reports</u> The permittee shall submit monthly reports of the following information no later than the end of the month following the reporting period:
 - (a) Waste analysis results per the approved waste analysis plan as applicable. Laboratory reports must be submitted with the first monthly monitoring report following their receipt by the operator. This report must include statements showing that requirements of Part I(E)10 and Part II(C)(3) of the permit have been met;
 - (b) A tabulation of daily measurements of maximum injection pressure, specific gravity, annulus tank fluid level, minimum annulus pressure, minimum differential between simultaneous measurements of injection pressure and annulus pressure, and the daily calculated maximum injection pressure as described in Part III(A);
 - (c) Appropriately scaled graphs showing
 - (1) At a minimum, daily maximum injection pressure, daily average flow rate and daily minimum annulus/longstring casing pressure differential on a single, monthly chart;
 - (2) At a minimum, instantaneous injection fluid specific gravity, instantaneous maximum injection pressure calculated as specified in Part III(A) and actual injection pressure;

- (d) A statement of the total volumes of the fluid injected to date, in the current calendar year, and the current month;
- (e) A tabulation of the amounts and types of liquid added to or removed from the annulus system during the month, and the cumulative additions and cumulative subtractions for each of the past 12 months;
- (f) Any noncompliance with conditions of this permit, including but not limited to any event that exceeds operating parameters for annulus pressure or injection pressure or annulus/tubing differential as specified in the permit;
- (g) Any event that triggers an alarm or shutdown device required in Part II(B)(5) of this permit.; and
- (h) The monthly average of the measured values of injectate temperature. If temperature measurements are recorded when the well is not injecting, those measurements shall not be included in calculating the monthly average. Records of all temperature measurements must be maintained in accordance with Part I(E)(9)(a) of this permit.
- 2. <u>Quarterly Reports</u> The permittee shall report at least every quarter the results of the injection fluid analyses specified in the approved waste analysis plan as recorded in the administrative record for this permit. This report must include statements showing that the requirements of Part I(E)(10) and Part II(C)(3) have been met.
- <u>Annual Reports</u> The permittee shall report the following at least every twelfth month:
 (a) Results of ambient monitoring required by 40 C.F.R. § 146.13(d)(1) and Part II(C)(4) of this permit; and
 - (b) A certified statement attesting that no waste streams other than those identified in Part II(B)(2) of this permit were injected into the well.
- 4. <u>Reports on Well Tests and Workovers</u> At least 30 days before a well test the permittee must submit detailed plans of the test procedures for approval by the Director. Within 45 calendar days after the activity, the permittee shall report to the Director the results of demonstrations of mechanical integrity, any well workover, or results of other tests required by this permit.

PART III

These sections include, but are not limited to, permit conditions and plans concerning operating procedures, monitoring, and reporting, as required by 40 C.F.R. Parts 144 and 146. The permittee shall comply with these conditions and adhere to these plans as approved by the Director, as follows:

- A. SUMMARY OF OPERATING, MONITORING, AND REPORTING REQUIREMENTS
- B. PLUGGING AND ABANDONMENT PLAN
- C. FINANCIAL ASSURANCE MECHANISM
- D. CONTINGENT CORRECTIVE ACTION
- E. CONSTRUCTION DETAILS
- F. SOURCE AND ANALYSIS OF WASTE
- G. SPECIAL CONDITIONS RELATED TO REMOTE MONITORING

<u>PART III(A)</u> <u>SUMMARY OF OPERATING, MONITORING, AND REPORTING REQUIREMENTS</u>

CHARACTERISTIC	LIMITATION	MINIMUM MONITORING FREQUENCY	MINIMUM REPORTING FREQUENCY		
Injection Pressure	1926 psig* (maximum)	continuous	monthly		
Specific Gravity	1.0 (minimum)*	continuous	monthly		
Annulus Pressure	100 psig (minimum)	continuous	monthly		
Annulus/Tubing Differential	100 psig (minimum) above operating injection pressure	continuous	monthly		
Flow Rate		continuous	monthly		
Annulus Fluid Level		daily	monthly		
Annulus Fluid Loss		monthly	monthly		
Cumulative Volume Injected		continuous	monthly		
Physical & Chemical Characteristics of Injected Fluids**		monthly	monthly		

Sampling Location: At the source of generation. A manual spigot located on the wastewater main discharge line of the final filtration unit prior to the wellhead.

* The limitation on maximum injection pressure (MIP) will serve to prevent injection-formation fracturing. This limitation is based on a calculation of the fracture pressure in the St. Peter Sandstone, the formation in the injection zone with the lowest fracture pressure. This was documented in a report submitted by Duke Energy, titled "Maximum Allowable Surface Injection Pressure Determinations WDW No. 1 and WDW No. 3", dated December 17, 2008. This document is part of the administrative record for this permit. Based on a step-rate test the calculated fracture pressure in the St. Peter Sandstone is 4832.1 psi-absolute. The instantaneous maximum allowable surface injection pressure (MIP) is based on this number and adjusted continuously as the specific gravity changes using the following formula:

MIP = 4832.1 psia - (0.433515 psi/ft x SG) x D ft - 14.7 psi

where:

psia	= pounds per square inch – absolute
psi	= pounds per square inch $-$ gauge $=$ psia $-$ 14.7
0.433515	= liquid pressure gradient of fresh water,
SG	= specific gravity of injected fluid,
D	= depth below ground level to the zone with the lowest fracture pressure
14.7	= atmospheric pressure (to convert absolute pressure to gauge pressure).

The value of 1926 psig was calculated using a specific gravity of 1.0 (water) and a depth of 6667.54 feet below ground level.

** As specified in the Sampling and Analysis Plan, found in the administrative record for this permit. At a minimum, this analysis shall include, but not be limited to, the following: Specific Conductance, pH, Temperature, and Specific Gravity. Frequency of temperature measurements will be in accordance with Section II(C)(5) of this permit. Reporting of injectate temperature will be in accordance with Section II(D)(1)(f) of this permit.

SEISMIC EVENT RESPONSE

The permittee shall subscribe to the U.S. Geological Survey Earthquake Notification Service to receive notification of seismic events within 100 kilometers (≈ 62 miles) of the well. The midpoint between the surface-hole and bottom-hole locations shall be used as the center of the circle. The appropriate response to seismic events depends on the Moment Magnitude (M_m) of the seismic event according to the following protocol.

- 1. <u>Seismic events not recorded or $M_m < 3.5$ </u> Continue normal operations.
- 2. Seismic events with Moment Magnitude $3.5 \le M_m < 5.0$ are observed within a 100 km (62.14) Miles) radius of the site. The permittee will notify the EPA UIC Program Director of any such event within 24 hours, providing information on the status of the injection site. If the annulus pressure decreases below the well's set alarm, injection operations must cease. In that situation, within 45 days the permittee will evaluate the mechanical integrity of the internal well systems by performing a Standard Annulus Pressure Test or other test approved by the Director (Mechanical Integrity Part 1). If the well fails the mechanical integrity test or the permittee identifies any problems with the system that might impact an underground sources of drinking water (USDW), the injection well must remain shut-in and the permittee must submit a written report as soon as possible but no later than five days from the time the permittee becomes aware of the circumstances. The written submittal shall contain a description of the circumstances and if the situation has not been corrected, the anticipated time it is expected to continue; and steps taken or planned to reduce, eliminate, and prevent recurrence of the circumstances. Upon completion of the steps to ensure mechanical integrity and the subsequent mechanical integrity demonstration, the permittee must submit the results and any other required documentation to EPA's office. If the well has mechanical integrity and no problems that might impact USDWs are detected, the permittee must provide proof of those findings to the Director. Injection operations shall not be resumed until the Director gives written approval to recommence injection.
- 3. <u>Moment Magnitude 5.0 or greater seismic events are observed within a 100 km (62.14 Miles)</u> radius of the site. Injection operations must cease. The permittee will notify the EPA UIC Program Director of any such event within 24 hours, providing information on the status of the injection site. If the annulus pressure decreased below the well's set alarm before shutting in the well, then the permittee shall evaluate the mechanical integrity of the internal well systems by performing a Standard Annulus Pressure Test or other test approved by the Director (Mechanical Integrity Part 1). The permittee shall perform an evaluation of the

external mechanical integrity of the well (Mechanical Integrity Part 2) pursuant to 40 C.F.R. Part 146.8. If the well fails either mechanical integrity test or the permittee identifies any problems with the system that might impact a USDW, the injection well must remain shut-in and the permittee must submit a written report as soon as possible but no later than 45 days from the time the permittee becomes aware of the circumstances. The written submittal shall contain a description of the noncompliance and if the noncompliance has not been corrected, the anticipated time it is expected to continue; and steps taken or planned to reduce, eliminate, and prevent recurrence of the noncompliance. Upon completion of the steps to ensure mechanical integrity and the subsequent mechanical integrity demonstration, the permittee must submit the results and any other required documentation to EPA. Injection operations shall not be resumed until the Director gives written approval to recommence injection.

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<u>PART III(B)</u> PLUGGING AND ABANDONMENT PLAN

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PART III(C) FINANCIAL ASSURANCE MECHANISM

Duke Energy Indiana, LLC has demonstrated adequate financial responsibility to properly plug and abandon the Class I non-hazardous well. Financial Statement Coverage is used as financial mechanism to cover the cost of plugging the injection well; this coverage must be updated on an annual basis.

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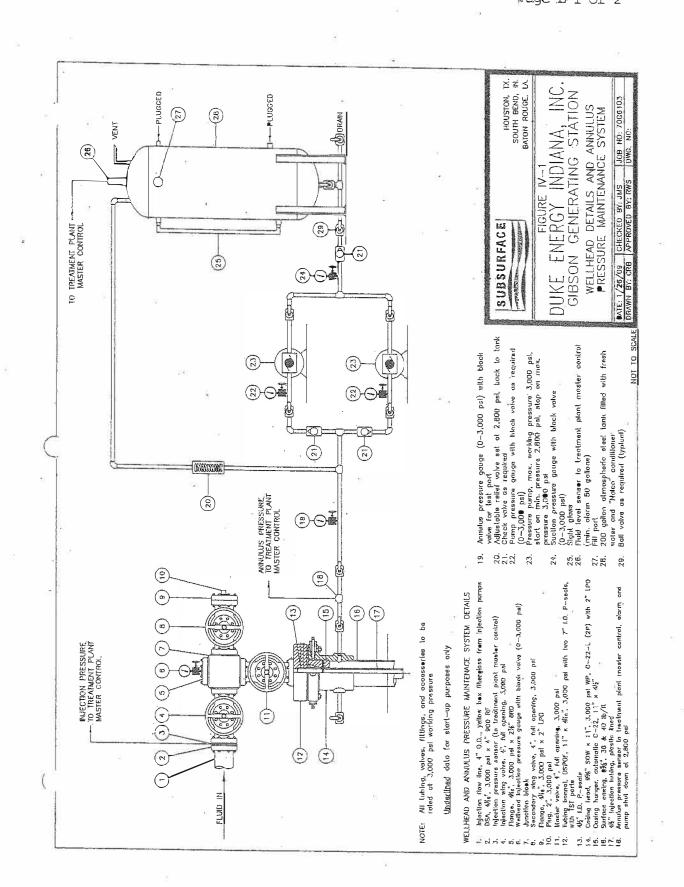
PART III(D) CONTINGENT CORRECTIVE ACTION

No corrective action is required at this time. In the event that a well that penetrates the confining zone and does not have mechanical integrity is discovered within the Area of Review, Duke Energy Indiana, LLC will notify the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) of the discovery immediately and will take action to ensure that no Underground Sources of Drinking Water are threatened. Should upward fluid migration be detected through the well bore of any previously unknown, improperly plugged, completed, or abandoned well in the Area of Review due to injection of permitted fluid, injection will immediately cease and EPA will be notified as required in Part I(E)(12)(d) of this permit. A Corrective Action Plan shall then be submitted as required in Part I(I)(2)of this permit.

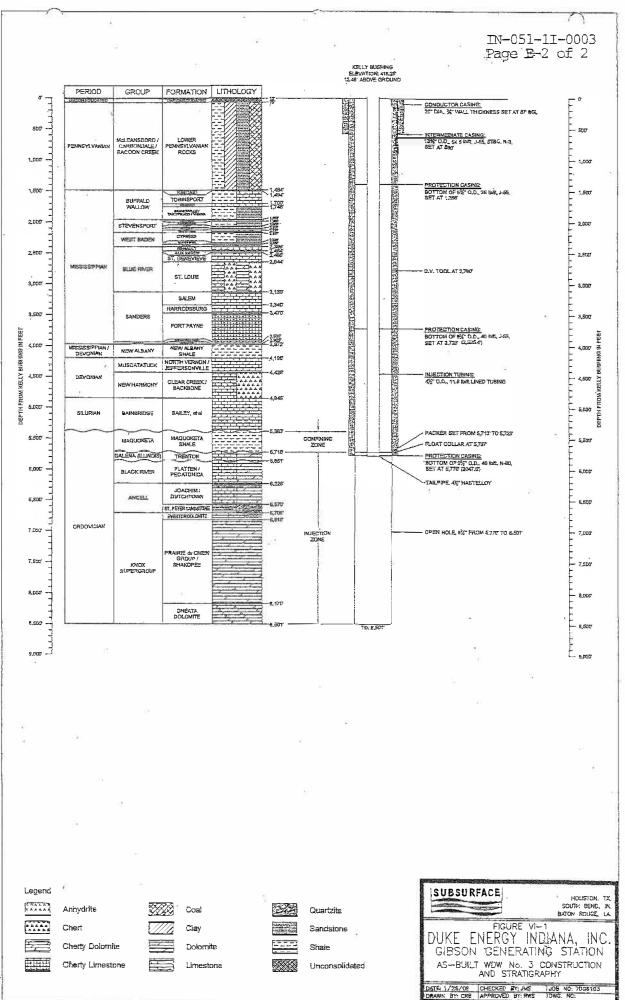
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PART III(E) CONSTRUCTION DETAILS

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PART III(F) SOURCE AND ANALYSIS OF WASTE

<u>Source of Waste and Limitation</u> – The Duke Energy Indiana, LLC injection well is used primarily to dispose of Class 1 non-hazardous waste from on-site wet flue gas de-sulfurization (FGD) units associated with their coal-fired electrical generating facility. Duke Energy Indiana, LLC is also authorized to use this injection well to dispose of non-hazardous waste excluded from management under the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, as specified at 40 C.F.R. Section 261.4, provided the requirement in Part A, regarding sampling and reporting, have been met. The requirements of 40 C.F.R. Section 146.13(b)(1) specify that any operator of a Class 1 underground injection control well monitor and analyse the fluids injected into the well. All other fluids entering this borehole for purposes of well testing, stimulation, workovers, or as buffer fluids must be approved by the Director.

<u>Waste Analysis Plan</u> – The approved Waste Analysis Plan is entered into the administrative record for this permit and thus becomes an integral part of this permit.

PART III(G) SPECIAL CONDITIONS RELATED TO REMOTE MONITORING

For the purpose of this permit, remote monitoring is defined as injection into the well when a trained operator is not present on site property and able to perceive shut-down alarms and able to physically respond to the well controls or the wellhead within 15 minutes of a compliance alarm condition. If this well is monitored remotely, the following special conditions shall be applicable:

1. Local operating system and remote monitoring system: If remote monitoring is to be used to operate the well, an operating system and programmable logic controller shall be on-site and shall have a back-up power supply and a system designed to alert designated on-call, off-site personnel in the event of a well alarm or shut-in.

2. Response to alarms and automatic shut-ins: Alarm conditions related to permit compliance conditions of the well under Part II(B)(5) shall be investigated on-site by a trained operator within one hour of notification of the occurrence.

3. Loss of power to the computer/data collection system: In the event of a power failure beyond the capability of the back-up power supply shuts down the computer or data collection system, the well shall be automatically shut-in.

4. Restart of the well after an automatic shut-in: Restart of the well after an automatic shut-in related to a permit condition alarm (including, but not limited to, injection pressure, annulus differential pressure, or computer power failure) shall require the physical presence of the operator on-site before the well can be restarted.

5. Restart of the well after non-permit condition related or scheduled shut-ins: If the well is shut-in for more than 48 hours for circumstances unrelated to permit conditions, restart of the well shall require the physical presence of the operator on-site.

6. Weekly operator inspections: If fluid injection occurs during the period of any week and the well is being monitored remotely, a trained operator shall physically visit the site to inspect the facility at a minimum frequency of not less than once per week. This inspection shall verify the correct operation of the remote monitoring system by review of items such as, but not limited to, a comparison of the values shown on mechanical gauges with those reported by the remote operating system.

7. When not in use by a trained well operator, offloading connections shall be locked at the valves leading to waste water tanks so that access is restricted to trained well operators.