

# WITHDRAW GAS RATE PETITION

## Indiana Gas and Water Will Not Petition for Increase in Charges.

Request for a boost in gas rates, which would have affected Columbus consumers, has been withdrawn by Indiana Gas and Water company.

Withdrawal of its petition with the Public Service commission was made Wednesday by the Indiana company as result of a recent reduction in cost of natural gas which Indiana Gas and Water company purchases from Panhandle Eastern Pipeline company.

Panhandle recently was ordered by the Federal Power commission to reduce its rates.

Indiana Gas and Water company had petitioned the Indiana Public Service commission for a 4.23 per cent increase in rates.

On May 3 State Public Counselor James T. Robison said at Indianapolis he planned to demand that the PSC reduce Indiana Gas and Water company gas rates by about \$500,000 and that customers be given refunds estimated at \$1,000,000 because of the cut in the price of gas delivered by Panhandle Eastern. There has been no PSC action on this demand.

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