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Monroe Bank to assist in accepting Duke Energy Payments at locations in Avon, Brownsburg, Plainfield and Noblesville

Bloomington, Indiana: Monroe Bank is now accepting Duke Energy payments from the general public at its banking center locations in Avon, Plainfield, Brownsburg, and Noblesville. Payments are processed using the CheckFreePay™ walk-in bill payment service from Fiserv (NASDAQ: FISV), the leading global provider of financial services technology solutions.

“Monroe Bank is pleased to be able to offer this expanded walk-in bill payment service for Duke Energy at our locations in Central Indiana,” says Mark Bradford, President and CEO of Monroe Bank. “Not only does this service benefit Duke Energy by providing more convenient payment locations for their customers, but it provides the Bank with a greater opportunity to grow its business with an increased flow of traffic that will come into its banking centers.”

Duke Energy payments will be processed through the CheckFreePay terminals located in Monroe Bank lobby teller lines. Payments will process immediately, a big bonus for those customers paying their bills at the last moment.

“The CheckFreePay walk-in bill payment service from Fiserv provides added convenience and flexibility to Monroe Bank and its customers,” said Paul Harrison, senior vice president and general manager, Walk-In Solutions, Fiserv. “Customers can feel comfortable using our service because payments are processed electronically through Fiserv’s secure billing and payment network, which handles more than one billion transactions each year. In addition, customers receive a receipt as proof of payment.”

Duke Energy payments should not be mailed to Monroe Bank or dropped off at Monroe Bank nor will they be accepted through the banking center drive through lanes.

In order to ensure effective payment processing, it is preferred that the customer has his or her Duke Energy bill as it has a scan line that automatically populates accurate billing information. Payments can also be taken as long as the customer has a Duke Energy account number. Payments can be made for disconnects, re-connects, late notices, or amounts for more or less than indicated on the Duke Energy bill. Payments may be made with cash or by check payable to Duke Energy. There is no charge for this service.

As Monroe Bank is simply accepting payments on behalf of Duke Energy as an authorized agent for the CheckFreePay service, any Duke Energy service and billing issue or dispute should still be handled directly through Duke Energy by calling 1-800-521-2232.

Duke Energy customers also have the option of viewing and paying their bills electronically. Customers can enroll online and pay their bills over Duke Energy's Web site, www.duke-energy.com, at no charge. Customers may also pay by mail or have monthly payments automatically deducted from a checking account through **Bill Payer 2000®**. The company also offers Duke Energy customers **Speedpay®**, where customers can pay over the phone or Internet using a credit card or check.

About Monroe Bank

Monroe Bank was established in 1892 in Bloomington, Indiana and is the wholly owned subsidiary of Monroe Bancorp, an Indiana bank holding company headquartered in Bloomington, Indiana. Monroe Bank offers a full range of financial, trust and investment services to its more than 30,000 retail and commercial customers through offices in Monroe, Jackson, Lawrence, Hendricks and Hamilton counties. The Company's common stock is traded on the NASDAQ[®] National Stock Market under the symbol MROE. More information about the company is available on the Internet at www.monroebank.com

About Duke Energy

Headquartered in Charlotte, N.C., Duke Energy is a Fortune 500 company traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol DUK. More information about the company is available on the Internet at: www.duke-energy.com.

About Fiserv, Inc.

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