

STATE OF MICHIGAN
BEFORE THE MICHIGAN PUBLIC SERVICE
COMMISSION

NOTICE OF HEARING
FOR THE ELECTRIC CUSTOMERS
OF CONSUMERS ENERGY
COMPANY AND DTE ELECTRIC
COMPANY
CASE NO. U-18195

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- Consumers Energy Company and DTE Electric Company requests that the Michigan Public Service Commission grant accounting approval of depreciation practices for the Ludington Pumped Storage Plant.
- The information below describes how a person may participate in this case.
- You may call or write Consumers Energy Company, One Energy Plaza, Jackson, Michigan 49201, (800) 477-5050; or DTE Electric Company, One Energy Plaza, Detroit, Michigan 48226-1279, (800) 477-4747 for a free copy of its application. Any person may review the documents at the offices of Consumers Energy Company, or the DTE Electric Company.
- A public hearing will be held:

DATE/TIME: **Thursday, January 12, 2017, at 9:00 a.m.**

This hearing will be a prehearing conference to set future hearing dates and decide other procedural matters.

BEFORE: Administrative Law Judge **Mark D. Eyster**

LOCATION: Michigan Public Service Commission
7109 West Saginaw Highway
Lansing, Michigan

PARTICIPATION: Any interested person may attend and participate. The hearing site is accessible, including handicapped parking. Persons needing any accommodation to participate should contact the Commission's Executive Secretary at (517) 284-8090 in advance to request mobility, visual, hearing or other assistance.

The Michigan Public Service Commission (Commission) will hold a public hearing to consider the November 10, 2016 joint application of Consumers Energy Company (Consumers Energy) and the DTE Electric Company (DTE Electric), which seeks approval of their proposed depreciation accrual rates, depreciation expense, and depreciation rate change implementation timing requested by the Companies for accounting and ratemaking purposes for the Ludington Plant; and grant Consumers Energy and DTE Electric such other and further relief as may be just and reasonable. DTE Electric and Consumers Energy are requesting an increase in annual depreciation expenses of \$13.8 million and \$14.5 million, respectively.

All documents filed in this case shall be submitted electronically through the Commission's E-Dockets website at: michigan.gov/mpscedockets. Requirements and instructions for filing can be found in the User Manual on the E-Dockets help page. Documents may also be submitted, in Word or PDF format, as an attachment to an email sent to: mpscedockets@michigan.gov. If you require assistance prior to e-filing, contact Commission staff at (517) 284-8090 or by email at: mpscedockets@michigan.gov.

Any person wishing to intervene and become a party to the case shall electronically file a petition to intervene with this Commission by Thursday, January 5, 2017. (Interested persons may elect to file using the traditional paper format.) The proof of service shall indicate service upon Consumers Energy's attorney, Mr. Bret A. Totoraitis, One Energy Plaza, Jackson, Michigan 49201, and DTE Electric's attorney, Mr. Jon P. Christinidis, One Energy Plaza, Detroit, Michigan 48226-1279.

Any person wishing to appear at the hearing to make a statement of position without becoming a party to the case may participate by filing an appearance. To file an appearance, the individual must attend the hearing and advise the presiding administrative law judge of his or her wish to make a statement of position. All information submitted to the Commission in this matter becomes public information, thus available on the Michigan Public Service Commission's website, and subject to disclosure. Please do not include information you wish to remain private.

Requests for adjournment must be made pursuant to the Michigan Administrative Hearing System's Administrative Hearing Rules R 792.10422 and R 792.10432. Requests for further information on adjournment should be directed to (517) 284-8130.

A copy of Consumers Energy's application may be reviewed on the Commission's website at: michigan.gov/mpscedockets, and at the offices of Consumers Energy Company and DTE Electric Company. For more information on how to participate in a case, you may contact the Commission at the above address or by telephone at (517) 284-8090.

Jurisdiction is pursuant to 1909 PA 106, as amended, MCL 460.551 et seq.; 1909 PA 300, as amended, MCL 462.2 et seq.; 1919 PA 419, as amended, MCL 460.54 et seq.; 1939 PA 3, as amended, MCL 460.1 et seq.; 1969 PA 306, as amended, MCL 24.201 et seq.; and the Michigan Administrative Hearing System's Administrative Hearing Rules, 2015 AC, R 792.10401 et seq.

December 12, 2016