## STATE OF MICHIGAN BEFORE THE MICHIGAN PUBLIC SERVICE COMMUNICATION AM IO: 35

## NOTICE OF HEARING FOR THE CUSTOMERS OF THE DETROIT EDISON COMPANY CASE NO. U-16117

- The Detroit Edison Company will implement revised depreciation accrual rates, if the Michigan Public Service Commission approves its request.
- The information below describes how a person may participate in this case.
- You may call or write The Detroit Edison Company, One Energy Plaza, Detroit, Michigan 48226-1279, (800) 477-4747, for a free copy of its application. Any person may review the application at the offices of The Detroit Edison Company.
- The first public hearing in this matter will be held:

DATE/TIME:

January 12, 2010, 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

6545 Mercantile Way, Suite 7

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)

241-6160 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 2, 2009 application of The Detroit Edison Company (Detroit Edison) for approval to use Detroit Edison's new depreciation accrual rates, immediately implement those rates for financial purposes, and reflect those depreciation rates in general service rates coincident with the effective date of new general service rates approved in Detroit Edison's next general rate case. Detroit Edison also requests that the Commission determine that the company has substantially complied with its Order in Case No. U-14292. Detroit Edison's independent consultant states that the proposed depreciation rates requested will result in \$1.4 million annual decrease in depreciation expense for Detroit Edison compared to current rates.

All documents filed in this case shall be submitted electronically through the Commission's E-Dockets Website at: <a href="michigan.gov/mpscedockets">michigan.gov/mpscedockets</a>. 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 <a href="majorecodockets@michigan.gov">mpscedockets@michigan.gov</a>. If you require assistance prior to e-filing, contact Commission staff at (517) 241-6170 or by e-mail at <a href="majorecodockets@michigan.gov">mpscedockets@michigan.gov</a>.

Any person wishing to intervene and become a party to the case shall electronically file a petition to intervene with this Commission by January 5, 2010. (Interested persons may elect to file using the traditional paper format.) The proof of service shall indicate service upon Detroit Edison's attorney, Michael J. Solo, One Energy Plaza, Detroit, MI 48226-1279.

Any person wishing 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/her wish to make a statement of position. All information submitted to the Commission in this matter will become public information: available on the Michigan Public Service Commission's Web site, and subject to disclosure.

Requests for adjournment must be made pursuant to the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure R 460.17315 and R 460.17335. Requests for further information on adjournment should be directed to (517) 241-6060.

A copy of Detroit Edison's request may be reviewed on the Commission's Web site at michigan.gov/mpscedockets, and at the office of The Detroit Edison Company, One Energy Plaza, Detroit, MI. For more information on how to participate in a case, you may contact the Commission at the above address or by telephone at (517) 241-6170.

Jurisdiction is pursuant to 1909 PA 106, as amended, MCL 460.551 et seq.; 1919 PA 419, as amended, MCL 460.51 et seq.; 1939 PA 3, as amended, MCL 460.1 et seq.; 1969 PA 306, as amended, MCL 24.201 et seq.; and the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, as amended, 1999 AC, R 460.17101 et seq.

December 15, 2009