STATE OF MICHIGAN
BEFORE THE MICHIGAN PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

NOTICE OF HEARING
FOR THE ELECTRIC AND NATURAL GAS CUSTOMERS OF
CONSUMERS ENERGY COMPANY
CASE NO. U-17771

- Consumers Energy Company requests Michigan Public Service Commission approval of its Energy Optimization Plan for increased investment in and expansion of energy efficiency programs which covers the years 2016-2017 in accordance with Public Act 295 of 2008 and the November 24, 2014 Commission Order in Case No. U-17771.
- 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 for a free copy of its application. Any person may review the documents at the offices of Consumers Energy Company.
- A public hearing will be held:

DATE/TIME:	**Thursday, September 17, 2015, 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 Consumers Energy Company's (Consumers Energy) July 31, 2015 application requesting Commission approval: 1) to determine that the Company's Energy Optimization (EO) Plan is reasonable and prudent, and in compliance with Public Act 295 of 2008; 2) for its requested EO Plan gas and electric surcharges; 3) for the Company's requested accounting authority, as described in its filing ; 4) of the Company's gas EO Plan spending above the statutory spending caps contained in MCL 460.1089(7) in the remaining years of its proposed gas EO Plan; and 5) of the Company's authority to roll-forward any unspent funds in 2016 into 2017.

Consumers Energy respresents that its EO plan includes descriptions of the programs that the Company intends to implement to meet the energy optimization standards established by Public Act 295, as well as the estimated cost of those programs. Consumers Energy also represents that the total cost of the Company's proposed electric EO Plan over the two-year plan period (2016-2017) is approximately $156 million and the total cost of the proposed natural gas EO Plan over 2016-2017 is approximately $92 million. The Company is seeking recovery of EO Plan costs.

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 September 10, 2015. (Interested persons may elect to file using the traditional paper format.) The proof of service shall indicate service upon Consumers Energy's Legal Department – Regulatory Group, One Energy Plaza, Jackson, Michigan 49201.

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 office of Consumers Energy 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.; 1982 PA 304, as amended, MCL 460.6h et seq.; 1982 PA 304, as amended, MCL 460.6j et seq.; 2008 PA 295, MCL 460.1001 et seq.; and the Michigan Administrative Hearing System's Administrative Hearing Rules, 2015 AC, R 792.10401 et seq.

[THE MICHIGAN PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION MAY APPROVE, REJECT, OR AMEND PROPOSALS MADE BY CONSUMERS ENERGY.]

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