STATE OF MICHIGAN
BEFORE THE MICHIGAN PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

NOTICE OF HEARING FOR THE GAS CUSTOMERS OF CONSUMERS ENERGY COMPANY CASE NO. U-15704

- Consumers Energy Company plans to use a base ceiling gas cost recovery factor of not less than $8.1016 per thousand cubic feet (Mcf), plus additional amounts contingent on future events, for the 12-month period of April 2009 through March 2010, 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 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.

- The first public hearing in this matter will be held:

DATE/TIME:	February 10, 2009, 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 December 30, 2008 application of Consumers Energy Company (Consumers Energy), which seeks approval of its 2009-2010 gas cost recovery (GCR) plan and monthly GCR factors. Consumers Energy is asking the Commission to approve its GCR plan, including proposed modifications to its quartile fixed price triggers guideline, which modify percentages of purchases and provide for purchases in GCR years 4 and 5 in addition to year 1(the 2009-2010 GCR year) and years 2 and 3.

Consumers Energy is also requesting authorization of its monthly GCR factors for the period April 2009 through March 2010 consisting of the sum of two parts: (i) a base ceiling factor of not less than $8.1016 per Mcf, plus (ii) additional amounts contingent upon future events, determined using the GCR Factor Ceiling Price Adjustment Mechanism, or such higher factors as may be lawful and reasonable. The company is also requesting that the Commission review its plans and projections through March 2014.

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) 241-6170 or by e-mail 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 February 3, 2009. (Interested persons may elect to file using the traditional paper format.) The proof of service shall indicate service upon Consumers Energy's attorney, H. Richard Chambers, One Energy Plaza, Jackson, Michigan 49201.

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 or 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 Consumers Energy's request may be reviewed on the Commission's Web site at michigan.gov/mpscedockets, and at the office of Consumers Energy Company, One Energy Plaza, Jackson, 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.

The Utility Consumer Representation Fund has been created for the purpose of aiding in the representation of residential utility customers in 1982 P.A. 304 proceedings. Contact the Chairperson, Utility Consumer Participation Board, Department of Energy, Labor & Economic Growth, P.O. Box 30004, Lansing, Michigan 48909, for more information.

Jurisdiction is pursuant to 1909 PA 300, as amended, MCL 462.2 et seq.; 1919 PA 419, as amended, MCL 460.51 et seq.; 1939 PA 3, as amended, MCL 460.1 et seq.; 1982 PA 304, as amended, MCL 460.6h 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.

[CONSUMERS ENERGY COMPANY HAS REQUESTED

THE GAS COST RECOVERY FACTORS DESCRIBED IN THIS NOTICE. THE MICHIGAN PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION MAY APPROVE, REJECT, OR AMEND THE FACTORS.]

January 16, 2009