

**STATE OF MICHIGAN
BEFORE THE MICHIGAN PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
NOTICE OF HEARING
FOR THE GAS CUSTOMERS OF
CONSUMERS ENERGY COMPANY
CASE NO. U-20814**

- Consumers Energy Company requests Michigan Public Service Commission's approval of a gas cost recovery plan and authorization of gas cost recovery factors for the 12 months ending March 31, 2022.
- The information below describes how a person may participate in this case.
- You may call or write Consumers Energy Company, One Energy Plaza, Jackson, MI 49201, 517-788-0550 for a free copy of its application. Any person may review the documents at the offices of Consumers Energy Company.
- A pre-hearing will be held:

DATE/TIME: Thursday, February 11, 2021 at 10:00 AM

BEFORE: Administrative Law Judge Jonathan Thoits

LOCATION: Video/Teleconferencing

PARTICIPATION: Any interested person may participate. Persons needing any assistance to participate should contact the Commission's Executive Secretary at (517) 284-8090, or by email at mpscdockets@michigan.gov in advance of the hearing.

The Michigan Public Service Commission (Commission) will hold a pre-hearing to consider Consumers Energy Company's (Consumers Energy) December 23, 2020 application requesting the Commission to: 1) authorize Consumers Energy to implement a Gas Cost Recovery (GCR) plan and monthly GCR factors for the period April 2021 through March 2022, consisting of the sum of two parts: (i) a base factor of \$2.6453 per Mcf; plus, (ii) additional amounts contingent upon future events, determined using the GCR Factor Ceiling Price Adjustment (Contingency) Mechanism; 2) review Consumers Energy's plans and projections through March 2026, approve the five-year forecast and indicate any cost items in the five-year forecast that cannot be recovered from Consumers Energy customers in rates, rate schedules, or gas cost recovery factors established in the future; and 3) grant Consumers Energy such other and further relief as is lawful and appropriate, including approval of higher GCR factors than requested.

All documents filed in this case shall be submitted electronically through the Commission's E-Dockets website at: michigan.gov/mpscdockets. 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: mpscdockets@michigan.gov. If you require assistance prior to e-filing, contact Commission staff at (517) 284-8090 or by email at: mpscdockets@michigan.gov.

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Any person wishing to intervene and become a party to the case shall electronically file a petition to intervene with this Commission by February 4, 2021. (Interested persons may elect to file using the traditional paper format.) The proof of service shall indicate service upon Consumers Energy Company's Legal Department – Regulatory Group, One Energy Plaza, Jackson, MI 49201.

The prehearing is scheduled to be held remotely by video conference or teleconference. Persons filing a petition to intervene will be advised of the process to participate in the hearing.

Any person wishing to participate without intervention under Mich Admin Code, R 792.10413 (Rule 413), or file a public comment, may do so by filing a written statement in this docket. The written statement may be mailed or emailed and should reference Case No. **U-20814**. Statements may be emailed to: mpscedockets@michigan.gov. Statements may be mailed to: Executive Secretary, Michigan Public Service Commission, 7109 West Saginaw Hwy., Lansing, MI 48917. 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. 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.

Requests for adjournment must be made pursuant to Michigan Office of Administrative Hearings and 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 Company'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.

The Utility Consumer Representation Fund has been created for the purpose of aiding in the representation of residential utility customers in various Commission proceedings. Contact the Chairperson, Utility Consumer Participation Board, Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs, 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 460.54 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.; and Parts 1 & 4 of the Michigan Office of Administrative Hearings and Rules, Mich. Admin Code, R 792.10106 and R 792.10401 through R 792.10448.

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 AND OTHER PROPOSALS.