

STATE OF MICHIGAN

BEFORE THE MICHIGAN PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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In the matter, on the Commission's own motion, )  
to consider the restructuring of the electric ) Case No. U-11290  
utility industry. )  
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In the matter of the application of )  
**THE DETROIT EDISON COMPANY** for )  
authority to suspend implementation of its power ) Case No. U-11449  
supply cost recovery clause and related relief. )  
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In the matter of the request of )  
**CONSUMERS ENERGY COMPANY** )  
for approval of a retail open access tariff. ) Case No. U-11451  
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In the matter of the request of )  
**THE DETROIT EDISON COMPANY** ) Case No. U-11452  
for approval of a direct access tariff. )  
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In the matter of the request of )  
**CONSUMERS ENERGY COMPANY** ) Case No. U-11453  
for authority to suspend its power supply )  
cost recovery clause and related relief. )  
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In the matter of the request of )  
**CONSUMERS ENERGY COMPANY** and )  
**THE DETROIT EDISON COMPANY** for ) Case No. U-11454  
approval of a true-up mechanism in connection )  
with the recovery of stranded costs. )  
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In the matter of the request of )  
**CONSUMERS ENERGY COMPANY** for )  
approval of a performance-based ratemaking )  
mechanism and changes in standby rates. )  
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Case No. U-11456

At the October 28, 1999 meeting of the Michigan Public Service Commission in Lansing,  
Michigan.

PRESENT: Hon. John G. Strand, Chairman  
Hon. David A. Svanda, Commissioner  
Hon. Robert B. Nelson, Commissioner

### **SCHEDULING ORDER**

The March 8, 1999 order in the above-captioned cases directed the Commission Staff (Staff) to conduct a review of various aspects of the electric retail open access program and to file a report within 30 days of the deadline for the submission of bids for the initial block of capacity under that program.<sup>1</sup>

On October 20, 1999, the Staff filed a "Staff Report on Bid Cycle One," which is attached to this order.<sup>2</sup> In that report, the Staff (1) summarized the results of the first bid cycle, (2) recommended that no major changes be made at this time, (3) recommended continuing the waiver of the minimum bid requirement, and (4) suggested a clarification to the voluntary bid forfeiture procedure.

Parties wishing to file comments on the Staff Report, including any proposed clarifications to the bid forfeiture procedure, should do so by November 18, 1999. After reviewing the comments, the Commission may make appropriate changes in the bid process beginning with the third bid cycle

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<sup>1</sup>The retail open access program has a phase-in schedule beginning with a 2½% block of capacity that was available September 20, 1999. The second block is scheduled for November 19, 1999.

<sup>2</sup>Copies of the report may also be obtained from the Commission's web site.

scheduled for January 20, 2000. The provisions of the March 8, 1999 order will continue to apply to the second bid cycle, including the continuation of the minimum bid at zero.

The Commission FINDS that:

a. Jurisdiction is pursuant to 1909 PA 106, as amended, MCL 460.551 et seq.; MSA 22.151 et seq.; 1919 PA 419, as amended, MCL 460.51 et seq.; MSA 22.1 et seq.; 1939 PA 3, as amended, MCL 460.1 et seq.; MSA 22.13(1) et seq.; 1969 PA 306, as amended, MCL 24.201 et seq.; MSA 3.560(101) et seq.; and the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, as amended, 1992 AACS, R 460.17101 et seq.

b. Comments on the Staff Report should be filed by November 18, 1999.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that comments on the "Staff Report on Bid Cycle One" shall be filed by November 18, 1999.

The Commission reserves jurisdiction and may issue further orders as necessary.

MICHIGAN PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

( S E A L )

/s/ John G. Strand  
Chairman

By its action of October 28, 1999.

/s/ David A. Svanda  
Commissioner

/s/ Dorothy Wideman  
Executive Secretary

/s/ Robert B. Nelson Its  
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Suggested Minute:

“Adopt and issue order dated October 28, 1999 providing that any comments on the “Staff Report on Bid Cycle One” shall be filed by November 18, 1999, as set forth in the order.”