

STATE OF MICHIGAN

BEFORE THE MICHIGAN PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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In the matter of the investigation, on the)
Commission's own motion, into the electric)
supply reliability plans of **CONSUMERS ENERGY**)
COMPANY, THE DETROIT EDISON COMPANY,)
and **INDIANA MICHIGAN POWER COMPANY**)
for the year 2001.)
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Case No. U-12702

At the January 23, 2001 meeting of the Michigan Public Service Commission in Lansing,
Michigan.

PRESENT: Hon. Laura Chappelle, Chairman
Hon. David A. Svanda, Commissioner
Hon. Robert B. Nelson, Commissioner

ORDER

On November 2, 2000, the Commission issued an order in this docket directing that Consumers Energy Company (Consumers), The Detroit Edison Company (Detroit Edison), and Indiana Michigan Power Company (I&M) each file an assessment of the generation and transmission capacity of the utility and its affiliates for the year 2001 and its plan for meeting the electric demand of all customers in its service territory. Those filings were made by December 15, 2000.¹

Subsequent to the filing of the capacity plans, there have been significant developments in the electric market in California, where supply shortages have resulted in rotating blackouts. In light

¹ Comments on the capacity plans were filed on January 16, 2001 by the Attorney General, the Association of Businesses Advocating Tariff Equity, and Dynegy, Inc.

of these developments, the Commission concludes that the utilities should update their filings to reflect any changes that are expected to occur as a result of the California situation, including changes in the wholesale market for electricity in the Midwest.

The updates should also include information on how the utilities plan to coordinate their overall maintenance schedules and the installation of air quality control equipment (required by the Environmental Protection Agency) to ensure that the plants will be available to serve customers' demand during the summer of 2001. In addition, the utilities should indicate whether any merchant generating plants will have immediate interconnection access to the grid when they are completed and, if not, how long it will take to interconnect a new plant. These updates should be filed by February 13, 2001. Comments may be filed by interested parties by February 27, 2001.

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. Consumers, Detroit Edison, and I&M should each file updates to their electric capacity plans to reflect changes resulting from the situation in California.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that:

A. By February 13, 2001, Consumers Energy Company, The Detroit Edison Company, and Indiana Michigan Power Company shall each file an update of its electric capacity plan.

B. Interested persons may file comments on the updates by February 27, 2001.

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

MICHIGAN PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

/s/ Laura Chappelle
Chairman

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/s/ David A. Svanda
Commissioner

/s/ Robert B. Nelson
Commissioner

By its action of January 23, 2001.

/s/ Dorothy Wideman
Its Executive Secretary

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Suggested Minute:

“Adopt and issue order dated January 23, 2001 requiring Consumers Energy Company, The Detroit Edison Company, and Indiana Michigan Power Company to file updated electric capacity plans, as set forth in the order.”