

STATE OF MICHIGAN

BEFORE THE MICHIGAN PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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In the matter, on the Commission's own motion, )  
to investigate the reasonableness of **THE DETROIT** )  
**EDISON COMPANY'S** expenditures for its ) Case No. U-14666  
administrative and general activities. )  
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At the November 10, 2005 meeting of the Michigan Public Service Commission in Lansing,  
Michigan.

PRESENT: Hon. J. Peter Lark, Chairman  
Hon. Laura Chappelle, Commissioner  
Hon. Monica Martinez, Commissioner

**ORDER GRANTING FILING EXTENSION**

In an order issued on October 18, 2005, the Commission required The Detroit Edison Company (Detroit Edison) to explain why its administrative and general (A&G) expenditures are significantly in excess of levels incurred by Consumers Energy Company (Consumers). In so doing, Detroit Edison was directed to file a report explaining the reasons for its higher A&G expenditures by December 1, 2005.

On November 2, 2005, Detroit Edison filed a request seeking an extension of the deadline for filing of the report until February 1, 2006. Detroit Edison explained that its controllers and treasurer's organizations are currently involved in the preparation and review of the third quarter Form 10Q report required by the Securities and Exchange Commission, which must be filed in November 2005. Detroit Edison also stated that the same personnel are involved in the completion and review of the various accounting processes, controls, and documentation required for year-end

under the federal Sarbanes-Oxley Act. Further, because Detroit Edison and Michigan Consolidated Gas Company are currently undertaking 2006 financial budget preparations for implementation in the first quarter of 2006 and are involved in a number of Commission and Federal Energy Regulatory Commission proceedings in which members of the financial organization are either witnesses, consultants, or case managers, Detroit Edison insists that additional time is necessary. Finally, Detroit Edison notes that additional time would be helpful because preparation of the report ordered by the Commission involves direct comparisons of Detroit Edison's A&G expenses to those of Consumers and it will be necessary for Detroit Edison to consult with Consumers because these companies book and account for expenses in different ways.

The Commission FINDS that:

- a. Jurisdiction is pursuant to 1909 PA 106, as amended, MCL 460.551 *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.*
- b. Detroit Edison's request for an extension of time to file a report explaining the reasons for its higher A&G expenditures should be granted.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that The Detroit Edison Company shall be granted an extension to file the report explaining the reasons for its higher administrative and general expenditures until February 1, 2006.

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

MICHIGAN PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

/s/ J. Peter Lark

Chairman

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/s/ Laura Chappelle

Commissioner

/s/ Monica Martinez

Commissioner

By its action of November 10, 2005.

/s/ Mary Jo Kunkle

Its Executive Secretary

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By its action of November 10, 2005.

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