

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COMMISSION MEETING OF THE MICHIGAN PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION HELD IN ITS OFFICES AND AVAILABLE VIA MICROSOFT TEAMS VIDEO CONFERENCING ON MARCH 17, 2022.

Commission Chair Daniel C. Scripps called the meeting to order at 1:03 p.m.
Executive Secretary Lisa Felice called the roll and declared there was a quorum.

PRESENT

Commission: Daniel C. Scripps, Chair
Tremaine L. Phillips, Commissioner
Katherine Peretick, Commissioner

Staff: Blair Renfro
Matt Helms
Lisa Felice
Andy Hannum
Kyle Daymon
Wanda Jones
Alex Morese
David Chislea
Patricia Poli
Mike Byrne
Charyl Kirkland
42 Additional MPSC Staff

Public: Heidi Myers, Consumers Energy
Thomas Topolski
Pat Ahrens
Mary Blanchard
Madison Goff
Cody Butler, WILX-TV
Lauren Sargent, Washtenaw 350
Yashpreet Mathary
Maryanne Roughton
Dharma Montagno
Noah Nichols
Marchall Clabeaux
Nichole Biber
Moses Biber
Dwight Washington
Ross Fisher
Dr. Jeffrey Hammersley
Anna Parker
Christian Yonkers

Emma Parker
Erica Dutton
John Zak Woodward, Water Protection
Andrea Pierce, Anishinaabek Caucus
Rita Mitchell, Washtenaw 350
Sean McBrearty, Oil & Water Don't Mix
Robert LaPorte, Oil & Water Don't Mix
Rick Bailhe, Oil & Water Don't Mix
Corrine Clark
Carol Gagliardi
Charles King
Samantha Cooper, Kalamazoo Remembers

Additional Staff & Public Attending Telephonically/Video Conferencing: 121 Participants

- I.** Commissioner Phillips moved to approve today's agenda, Commissioner Peretick seconded.

Vote: Yeas – Scripps, Phillips, Peretick
Nays – None

The agenda was approved.

- II.** Commissioner Phillips moved to approve the minutes of the Regular Commission Meeting of March 3, 2022, Commissioner Peretick seconded.

Vote: Yeas – Scripps, Phillips, Peretick
Nays – None

The minutes were approved.

III. CONSENTED ORDERS

A. COMMUNICATIONS

1. U-16183 IN THE MATTER, ON THE COMMISSION'S OWN MOTION, TO IMPLEMENT 2009 PA 182, MCL 484.2310 (restructuring mechanism/adjustment to contribution assessment percentage)
2. U-21217 IN THE MATTER OF THE JOINT APPLICATION FOR COMMISSION APPROVAL OF AN INTERCONNECTION AND MUTUAL TRAFFIC EXCHANGE AGREEMENT BETWEEN ACE

TELEPHONE COMPANY OF MICHIGAN, INC. AND LEVEL 3
COMMUNICATIONS, LLC
(interconnection agreement)

3. MINUTE ACTION AT&T
(9-1-1 wireless, U-14000, invoice no. 517 R41-0001 067 9 dated March 1, 2022)
4. MINUTE ACTION PENINSULA FIBER NETWORK LLC
(9-1-1 wireless, U-14000, invoice no. INV-3006 dated March 1, 2022)
5. MINUTE ACTION PENINSULA FIBER NETWORK NEXT GENERATION LLC
(9-1-1 wireless, U-14000, invoice no. INV-1147 dated March 1, 2022)

B. ELECTRIC

1. U-20874 IN THE MATTER, ON THE COMMISSION'S OWN MOTION, REGARDING THE REGULATORY REVIEWS, REVISIONS, DETERMINATIONS, AND/OR APPROVALS NECESSARY FOR ALPENA POWER COMPANY TO FULLY COMPLY WITH PUBLIC ACT 295 OF 2008, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC ACT 342 OF 2016 (energy waste reduction/proposed settlement agreement)
2. U-21054 IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF NORTHERN STATES POWER COMPANY FOR APPROVAL TO IMPLEMENT A POWER SUPPLY COST RECOVERY PLAN FOR THE 12 MONTHS ENDING DECEMBER 2022 (proposed settlement agreement)
3. U-21156 IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPLAINT OF GARTH COOPER AGAINST CONSUMERS ENERGY (request to withdraw/final order)
4. U-21171 IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF CONSUMERS ENERGY COMPANY FOR APPROVAL OF A ONE-TIME VOLUNTARY REFUND OF REVENUE (motion to close the docket/final order)

C. GAS

1. U-20548 IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF NORTHERN STATES POWER COMPANY FOR RECONCILIATION OF ITS GAS COST RECOVERY PLAN (CASE NO. U-20547) FOR THE 12 MONTHS ENDED MARCH 31, 2021

(proposed settlement agreement)

2. MINUTE ACTION ANR PIPELINE COMPANY (FERC Docket No. RP22-501-000)

Commissioner Phillips moved that the Commission approve all the orders and minute actions on the consent agenda. Commissioner Peretick seconded that motion.

Vote: Yeas – Scripps, Phillips, Peretick
Nays – None

The 7 orders and 4 minute actions were adopted.

IV. OTHER ORDERS

A. ELECTRIC

1. U-20629 IN THE MATTER, ON THE COMMISSION'S OWN MOTION, TO ESTABLISH A WORKGROUP TO REVIEW THE SERVICE QUALITY AND RELIABILITY STANDARDS FOR ELECTRIC DISTRIBUTION SYSTEMS AND TO RECOMMEND POTENTIAL IMPROVEMENTS TO THE STANDARDS (rulemaking/interim order)

Case No. U-20629 involves the amendment of the rules governing the Service Quality and Reliability Standards for Electric Distribution Systems. The order before you approves the proposed rules and authorizes their submission to the Legislative Service Bureau and the Michigan Office of Administrative Hearings and Rules for formal approvals. Commissioner Phillips moved that the Commission approve the order at its March 17, 2022 meeting. Commissioner Peretick seconded that motion.

Chair Scripps commented:

“I want to highlight a few things from this, as well as the rules updating our technical standards for electric service and billing rules that we will be addressing later in the agenda. In my mind, these address some significant opportunities for improvement of our rules and an opportunity to address better situations involving the reliability of our electric system.

In particular, today for outages a customer needs to make the utility aware that they are eligible for a bill credit and if they do so and meet the criteria, they are eligible for a \$25 credit regardless of how long the outage lasts. These rules additions improve that from \$25 to \$35 and make the credit automatic, as well as authorizing an additional \$35 for each additional day that the customer remains

without power. That alone represents a significant improvement over the status quo. There are a number of elements involved, as well.

I want to thank the folks from our Electric Operations Section for their leadership in helping us to get to this point, as well as the other folks who commented on the rules. There are a number of comments that we received and worked through and are reflected in the updates in front of us today.

This is the second of three orders in the process of updating these rules. As Mr. Renfro indicated they will now go to the Legislative Services Bureau and the Michigan Office of Administrative Hearings and Rules, then the Joint Committee on Administrative Rules before they are finally updated. This is a significant step in this process. I again want to thank all involved.”

Vote: Yeas – Scripps, Phillips, Peretick
Nays – None

The order was adopted.

2. U-20630 IN THE MATTER, ON THE COMMISSION'S OWN MOTION, TO ESTABLISH A WORKGROUP TO REVIEW THE TECHNICAL STANDARDS FOR ELECTRIC SERVICE AND TO RECOMMEND POTENTIAL IMPROVEMENTS TO THE STANDARDS (rulemaking/interim order)

Case No. U-20630 involves the amendment of the rules governing the technical standards for electric service. The order before you approves the rules for submission to the Legislative Service Bureau and the Michigan Office of Administrative Hearings and Rules for their formal approvals. Commissioner Phillips moved that the Commission approve the order at its March 17, 2022 meeting. Commissioner Peretick seconded that motion.

Vote: Yeas – Scripps, Phillips, Peretick
Nays – None

The order was adopted.

3. U-20867 IN THE MATTER, ON THE COMMISSION'S OWN MOTION, REGARDING THE REGULATORY REVIEWS, REVISIONS, DETERMINATIONS, AND/OR APPROVALS NECESSARY FOR INDIANA MICHIGAN POWER COMPANY TO FULLY COMPLY WITH PUBLIC ACT 295 OF 2008, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC ACT 342 OF 2016 (energy waste reduction/final order)

- ADDED:** U-20805 IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF INDIANA MICHIGAN POWER COMPANY FOR RECONCILIATION OF ITS POWER

SUPPLY COST RECOVERY PLAN (CASE NO. U-20804) FOR THE 12 MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021

Case Nos. U-20867 *et al.* involve an application filed by Indiana Michigan Power Company requesting approval of the company's reconciliation of its 2020 energy waste reduction program costs and revenues and associated rate adjustments as well as authority to implement a revised energy waste reduction surcharge rider. The order before you approves the company's 2020 energy waste reduction reconciliation; finds that the company has not complied with Public Act 295 of 2008, as amended by Public Act 342 of 2016; directs the company to file quarterly reports detailing its efforts to come into compliance; and directs the company to file an explanation of the impact of its unachieved energy waste reductions savings on its power supply costs and needs in Case No. U-20805. Commissioner Phillips moved that the Commission approve the order at its March 17, 2022 meeting. Commissioner Peretick seconded that motion.

Chair Scripps commented:

“Obviously, this is not a situation that we would like to find ourselves in with a company that is failing to comply with the cost-effective energy waste reduction requirements contained in Statute passed by the Legislature. My hope is that we quickly get back on track. I think there are a number of provisions in this order to encourage that direction. It is something that we take very seriously; failure to comply with Michigan's energy laws and I hope that we are in a better place and soon.”

Vote: Yeas – Scripps, Phillips, Peretick
Nays – None

The order was adopted.

4. U-20875 IN THE MATTER, ON THE COMMISSION'S OWN MOTION, REGARDING THE REGULATORY REVIEWS, REVISIONS, DETERMINATIONS, AND/OR APPROVALS NECESSARY FOR CONSUMERS ENERGY COMPANY TO FULLY COMPLY WITH PUBLIC ACT 295 OF 2008, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC ACT 342 OF 2016
(energy waste reduction/proposed settlement agreement)

Case No. U-20875 involves an application filed by Consumers Energy company requesting approval of its energy waste reduction plan for 2022 through 2025, and other related relief. The order before you approves a settlement agreement resolving all issues in the case. Commissioner Phillips moved that the Commission approve the order at its March 17, 2022 meeting. Commissioner Peretick seconded that motion.

Commissioner Phillips commented:

“I want to give thanks and recognize our Staff, the company, and intervenors, including the Attorney General Office, National Housing Trust, NRDC, Sierra Club, among others, for reaching an agreement that once again exemplifies a genuine and consistent commitment by the parties to advance equity, customer affordability, accessibility and data transparency as it relates to the development and implementation of utility energy waste reduction plans.

The elements agreed to in this settlement, and also reflected in the DTE Electric and DTE Gas settlements approved by the Commission on January 20th of this year:

- Creating more clear and consistent ties between energy assistance and utility EWR programs
- Using utility data to more accurately and effectively deploy EWR programs in communities most in need of these services
- Ramping up efforts to grow and retain local minority suppliers and contractors

The elements agreed to in the settlement agreement today and on January 20th of this year will continue to position Michigan at the forefront nationally as we enter this new stage and harness more of the potential for energy efficiency programs to improve the financial and physical health of ratepayers and, most importantly, the approval of the settlement today would mean that the vast majority of electric and gas customers in this state will benefit from markedly improved EWR plans that not only recognize, but aim to better address the energy burdens that plagued many Michigan households and communities.”

Vote: Yeas – Scripps, Phillips, Peretick
Nays – None

The order was adopted.

5. U-20890 IN THE MATTER, ON THE COMMISSION’S OWN MOTION, TO PROMULGATE RULES GOVERNING ELECTRIC INTERCONNECTION AND DISTRIBUTED GENERATION AND TO RESCIND LEGACY INTERCONNECTION AND NET METERING RULES
(rulemaking/interim order)

Case No. U-20890 involves a matter, on the Commission’s own motion, to promulgate rules governing electric interconnection and distributed generation, and to rescind legacy net metering rules. The order before you formally adopts the rules and approves them for submittal to the Legislative Service Bureau and the Michigan Office of Administrative Hearings and Rules. Commissioner Phillips moved that the Commission approve the order at its March 17, 2022 meeting. Commissioner Peretick seconded that motion.

Commissioner Peretick commented:

“I would like to say thank you to all of the parties who participated in this process. It really is vitally important that we update regulation as technology changes and our world advances. I am especially thankful for the extensive work the utilities, stakeholders, and Commission staff did to update these important rules. It has truly been a heavy lift. It started back in November of 2018 and the milestone today is a significant one. We are set to approve the updated rule sets for interconnection and distributed generation standards and the electric interconnection and net metering standards and submit to the Legislature Service Bureau and Michigan Office of Administrative Hearing and Rules for their formal approvals. Upon approval, transmitted to the Joint Committee on Administrative Rules.

These are the rule sets that govern how distributed generation assets interconnect to the broader distribution grid and modifications include, among other things, ensuring there is a path for distributed generation customers to connect to the grid outside the legacy net metering or distributed generation programs, establishing fees paid by the interconnecting party, adjusting processing and review times, modifying screening processes, allowing for alternative study process, and importantly – adding guidance for review and evaluation of limited and non-exporting DERs.

This is an important step toward advancing these rule sets to ensure Michigan is staying up to date with the needs of our changing and improving electric grid.”

Vote: Yeas – Scripps, Phillips, Peretick
Nays – None

The order was adopted.

7. U-21023 IN THE MATTER, ON THE COMMISSION’S OWN MOTION, TO COMMENCE A COLLABORATIVE TO CONSIDER ISSUES RELATED TO IMPLEMENTATION OF EFFECTIVE ELECTRIC DEMAND RESPONSE TARIFFS AND EFFICIENT DEPLOYMENT OF LOAD-MODIFYING RESOURCES
(*ex parte*/final order)

Case No. U-21023 involves an *ex parte* application by DTE Electric Company for approval of amendments to its interruptible tariffs as directed in Case No. U-20628. The order before you approves the application. Commissioner Phillips moved that the Commission approve the order at its March 17, 2022 meeting. Commissioner Peretick seconded that motion.

Vote: Yeas – Scripps, Phillips, Peretick
Nays – None

The order was adopted.

6. U-20963 IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF CONSUMERS ENERGY COMPANY FOR AUTHORITY TO INCREASE ITS RATES FOR THE GENERATION AND DISTRIBUTION OF ELECTRICITY AND FOR OTHER RELIEF
(petition for rehearing)

Case No. U-20963 involves an application filed by Consumers Energy Company for authority to increase its rates for the generation and distribution of electricity. The order before you grants the petition for rehearing filed by Consumers Energy Company. Commissioner Phillips moved that the Commission approve the order at its March 17, 2022 meeting. Commissioner Peretick seconded that motion.

Vote: Yeas – Scripps, Phillips, Peretick
Nays – None

The order was adopted.

8. U-21090 IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF CONSUMERS ENERGY COMPANY FOR APPROVAL OF AN INTEGRATED RESOURCE PLAN UNDER MCL 460.6t, CERTAIN ACCOUNTING APPROVALS, AND FOR OTHER RELIEF
(applications for leave to appeal)

Case No. U-21090 involves an application filed by Consumers Energy Company for approval of an integrated resource plan pursuant to MCL 460.6t. The order before you grants applications for leave to appeal filed by Consumers Energy Company and Dearborn Industrial Generation, L.L.C., but affirms the Administrative Law Judge’s December 28, 2021 ruling. Commissioner Phillips moved that the Commission approve the order at its March 17, 2022 meeting. Commissioner Peretick seconded that motion.

Vote: Yeas – Scripps, Phillips, Peretick
Nays – None

The order was adopted.

9. U-21097 IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF NORTHERN STATES POWER COMPANY FOR AUTHORITY TO INCREASE ELECTRIC RATES IN THE STATE OF MICHIGAN
(proposed settlement agreement)

Commission Staff Charyl Kirkland, Energy Operations Division, presented a brief synopsis of the case listed above. Commissioner Phillips moved that the Commission approve the order at its March 17, 2022 meeting. Commissioner Peretick seconded that motion.

Chair Scripps commented:

“I want to thank the parties involved, including the utility, our staff, and organizations representing business and residential customers for their work. The settlement agreement before us represents what I think is a constructive approach that balances the need for additional capital investment, an emphasis on reducing outages and improving reliability through distribution upgrades, a commitment to vegetation management, and a continued focus on affordability for customers in the western upper peninsula, with particular emphasis on assistance for low-income customers.

Again, I appreciate the engagement of the parties involved and the willingness to find a consensus approach to resolving the many issues.”

Vote: Yeas – Scripps, Phillips, Peretick
Nays – None

The order was adopted.

10. U-21150 IN THE MATTER, ON THE COMMISSION’S OWN MOTION, TO PROPOSE REVISION TO THE RULES GOVERNING CONSUMER STANDARDS AND BILLING PRACTICES OF ELECTRIC AND NATURAL GAS UTILITIES REGULATED IN ACCORDANCE WITH 1919 PA 419, AS AMENDED; 1939 PA 3, AS AMENDED; AND 1965 PA 380
(rulemaking/interim order)

Case No. U-21150 involves the amendment of the rules governing the Consumer Standards and Billing Practices for Electric and Natural Gas Service. The order before you approves the proposed rules and authorizes their submission to the Legislative Service Bureau and the Michigan Office of Administrative Hearings and Rules for formal approval. Commissioner Phillips moved that the Commission approve the order at its March 17, 2022 meeting. Commissioner Peretick seconded that motion.

Vote: Yeas – Scripps, Phillips, Peretick
Nays – None

The order was adopted.

11. U-21204 2021 ENERGY WASTE REDUCTION RECONCILIATION AND ANNUAL REPORT FILING
(order assigning dockets)
ALPENA POWER COMPANY

U-21205	CONSUMERS ENERGY COMPANY (Electric and Gas)
U-21206	DTE ENERGY COMPANY (Electric and Gas)
U-21207	INDIANA MICHIGAN POWER COMPANY
U-21208	NORTHERN STATES POWER COMPANY (Electric and Gas)
U-21209	UPPER PENINSULA POWER COMPANY
U-21210	UPPER MICHIGAN ENERGY RESOURCES CORPORATION (Electric and Gas)
U-21211	MICHIGAN GAS UTILITIES CORPORATION (Gas)
U-21212	SEMCO ENERGY, INC. (Gas)

Case Nos. U-21204 *et al.* assign docket numbers and filing deadlines for energy waste reduction reconciliation proceedings and annual reports. Commissioner Phillips moved that the Commission approve the order at its March 17, 2022 meeting. Commissioner Peretick seconded that motion.

Vote: Yeas – Scripps, Phillips, Peretick
Nays – None

The order was adopted.

V. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Thomas Topolski, Pat Ahrens, Mary Blanchard, Madison Goff, Yashprea Mathary, Maryanne Roughton, Dharma Montagno, Noah Nichols, Andrea Pierce, Lauren Sargent, Rita Mitchell, Sean McBrearty, Robert LaPorte, Rick Bailey, Corrine Clark, Marshall Clabeaux, Nichole Biber, Moses Biber, Dwight Washington, Ross Fisher, Dr. Jeffrey Hammersley, Carol Gagliardi, Anna Parker, Christian Yonkers, Emma Parker, Samantha Cooper, Erica Dutton, John Zak Woodward, and Charles King provided comments related to Case No. U-20763.

Joy Smith, Beth Wallace, Mike Buza, and George Robson provided comments in the Chat feature of TEAMS related to Case No. U-20763. See Attachment A.

Chair Scripps announced:

“The Commission is hosting a public hearing to get public input on Indiana Michigan Power Company’s long-term energy plan or what we call an integrated resource plan. The public hearing will be held on Wednesday, April 6th from 6:00-8:00 p.m. It will be a virtual meeting using the Microsoft TEAMS application and more information on participate is available on our website: www.michigan.gov/mpsc .

We submitted the MPSC’s Annual Report to the Legislature earlier this month. That report is also available on our website. The Annual Report highlights how energy affordability and reliability remain key priorities for the Commission as Michigan dealt with continuing challenges posed by the COVID-19 pandemic and significant power outages from increasingly severe weather fueled by climate change. The report also details developments with the Energy Affordability and Accessibility Collaborative – the year two accomplishments relating to our MI Power Grid initiative, ongoing customer assistance issues, an update on our diversity, equity and inclusion efforts, issues relating to broadband expansion and access, and a host of other issues.

I particularly want to congratulate the staff of the Commission for their continued diligence and commitment to the people of Michigan and all that work.

Finally, a couple of updates on the upcoming meeting schedule. We will be canceling the Commission Meeting currently scheduled for July 21st and changing the date of the meeting currently scheduled for Thursday, July 28th to Wednesday, July 27th and finally the August 24th meeting is being rescheduled for Tuesday, August 23rd. A revised 2022 Commission Meeting schedule will be posted to the Commission’s website by the end of this week to reflect the changes.”

A recording of the proceedings of the March 17, 2022 meeting is archived at:
https://www.michigan.gov/mpsc/0,9535,7-395-93307_93316_93317_93875---Y,00.html .

Chair Scripps announced that the next regularly scheduled Commission Meeting will be held on Thursday, April 14, 2022 at 1:00 p.m.

Commissioner Phillips moved that the Commission adjourn, Commissioner Peretick seconded.

Vote: Yeas – Scripps, Phillips, Peretick
Nays – None

The motion was approved.

The meeting adjourned at 2:47 p.m.

Lisa Felice
Executive Secretary

ATTACHMENT A

Submitting my public comment.... My name is Sarah Coombs, I live in Dane County, Wisconsin, zip code 53719. While I realize that I live in Wisconsin rather than Michigan, Wisconsin also borders the Great Lakes and is equally impacted by Line 5 and any oil pipeline running under the Great Lakes. I do not under any circumstances want any new fossil fuel infrastructure threatening the critical source of fresh water provided by the Great Lakes in this part of the world as we move into an era increasingly impacted by global warming. The pipeline offers no substantial benefits to the Great Lakes region, only serving to prolong the profit margin of a foreign corporation (Enbridge), whose presence in U.S. territory in the first place is only because its home country (Canada) did not want to assume the substantial pollution risks posed by the pipeline. I personally traveled up to northern Minnesota this past summer to observe Enbridge's construction of their Line 3 pipeline project, and saw their careless disregard for both following environmental regulations and the rights of protesters to object to Enbridge's destruction of their natural resources. I am begging the MPSC to uphold its mandate to protect the public from toxic and destructive energy practices, please do not grant Enbridge permission for any project other than decommissioning the pipelines already in use.

Joy Smith 1:36 PM

My name is Joy Smith, and I live in Manistee, Michigan. As a Michigander, I would like to give my opinion that Linda 5 needs to be retired, It is past its planned lifespan, and laws had to be suspended to instate the pipeline to begin with. In addition, since Enbridge has not been transparent and honest in its communications with the people of Michigan, there really is no reason to prolong our relationship with Enbridge in terms of allowing them to continue to move fossil fuel products through our state. The pipeline in Kalamazoo is sufficient to our energy needs, and the health of the land must be preserved for future generations. Thank you to the Commission for their thoughtful work on behalf of all of us.

Beth Wallace, National Wildlife Federation

Thank you. a typo in the above. Can you use the below version instead? Thank you for the opportunity to provide public comment. The National Wildlife Federation calls on the Michigan Public Service Commissioners to reject Enbridge Energy's tunnel proposal for three reasons: Enbridge's historical failure to comply with laws/agreements/regulations; Enbridge's failure to properly disclose and consider risks during both construction and operation; as well as the tunnels directly threat to our climate as well as state and federal clean energy goals. Since the 2010 oil spill, there are dozens of examples of this corporate not adhering to agreements, permits and settlements, and their behavior with Line 5 is no different. The NWF took alarming note that the PSC staff take the position that the PSC can work with Enbridge on their half

baked tunnel permit to address massive gaps in safety. It is alarming that any officials from Michigan would take this position when Enbridge is in federal court arguing that the state of Michigan has no oversight role with Line 5 and after years of examples of Enbridge walking away from similar promises for other regional project. Enbridge and the PSC staff also claim a partnership with PHMSA will eliminate risk but this is void of fact - PHMSA lacks regulatory teeth to have any say in how this project proceeds. 20% of the worlds freshwater is at risk and it is alarming that we are consider a project that blasts through the Great Lakes bottomlands with a company that can't be bothered to fully disclose risk and time and time again has indicated they believe they are above the law.

Mike Buza Swartz Creek, Genesee County 1:58 PM

Car companies have committed to EV's. Almost all have committed to have at least half their fleet to be EV's by 2030. In addition, many have committed to be 100% EV's by 2035. This begs the question is this tunnel necessary Last summer many of the days the skies were dirty gray from the wild fires out west. This is becoming more often because the carbon in the air. This tunnel would only increase the amount of carbon in the air. Many days whether I should take a walk because of the gray skies caused by these wild fires wonder whether it was healthier to stay inside or walk. Again Line 5 will make things worse My solar panels performance is

decreasing during these periods of dirty gray skies caused by the wildfires. I estimate the performance was decreased by about 15%. So these type of pipelines are hindering the ability of people wanting to do the right thing for the environment. They are taking money out of my pocket. One of the ways we can start decreasing our use of fossil fuel is to close down aged out fossil facilities and not replace them. This should be done with Line 5 immediately If by some unreasonable chance you do approve this new pipeline there needs to be a large escrow deposit to decommission this tunnel and restore the lake bed to its original features. Enbridge has a corporate structure that has the ability to dodge the responsibility of stranded assets.

George Robson 2:04 PM

If there was only one spot to pick where you not put an oil pipeline, it wold be under 84% of the fresh water in the US. There is no room for error. Shut it down no and protect evryone/