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COMMISSION MEETING

January 21, 2021

1:30 PM to 2:30 PM

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*Pursuant to MCL 15.263 and MCL 15.263a, and to suppress the spread of COVID-19 and protect the public health and safety of this state and its residents, the meeting scheduled for January 21, 2021, will not be held at the above address. Instead, this meeting **WILL BE** held via Microsoft Teams video conferencing. The meeting is open to the public, and all members of the public may participate by using the following Microsoft Teams meeting link, [Meeting Link](#), or by dialing (248) 509-0316 and entering the following conference ID 853 625 872# when prompted. Members of the public with disabilities may attend and participate in this meeting by dialing 7-1-1 and using the Michigan Relay service. Persons participating via the Microsoft Teams Livestream may also turn on live captions. Persons needing any assistance to participate may contact the Commission's Executive Secretary at (517) 284-8090. The public may submit comments or questions to the commissioners via email at mpsc_commissioners@michigan.gov. Public comments pertaining to a specific case may be submitted to mpscedockets@michigan.gov.*

AGENDA

- I. Approval of the Agenda.
- II. Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Commission Meeting of December 17, 2020.
- III. Approval of Orders on the Consent Agenda:
 - A. Communications
 - 1. U-12426 - In the matter of the application of Lingo Telecom of the Great Lakes, LLC, f/k/a Birch Telecom of the Great Lakes, Inc., for a license to provide basic local exchange telecommunications service throughout the state of

- Michigan in all zones and exchanges served by Ameritech Michigan, GTE North Incorporated, and GTE Systems of Michigan. (request to voluntarily surrender license/final order.)
2. U-15105 - In the matter of the joint request for Commission approval of a paging facilities agreement between American Messaging Services, LLC and AT&T Michigan. (second amendment.)
 - U-20946 - In the matter of the joint request for Commission approval of the interconnection and mutual traffic exchange agreement by and between Sand Creek Telephone Company and Time Warner Cable Information Services (Michigan), LLC. (interconnection agreement.)
 3. U-15548 - In the matter of the application of Huron Mountain Communications Co. for the issuance of a temporary and permanent license to provide basic local exchange service. (request to voluntarily surrender license/final order.)
 4. U-16183 - In the matter, on the Commission's own motion, to implement 2009 PA 182, MCL 484.2310. (restructuring mechanism for toll access services/interim order.)
 5. U-20329 - In the matter of the application of Crystal Automation Systems, Inc., d/b/a Casair, Inc., for designation as a high-cost eligible telecommunications carrier pursuant to Section 214(e)(2) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended. (request to relinquish eligible telecommunications carrier designation/final order.)

B. Gas

1. U-20242 - In the matter of the application of Northern States Power Company, for reconciliation of its gas cost recovery plan for the 12-months ended March 31, 2020. (proposed settlement agreement.)

IV. Approval of other Orders:

A. Electric

1. U-20829 - In the matter of the notice of Upper Michigan Energy Resources Corporation for an intended three-phase service extension pursuant to Mich Admin Code, R 460.3411. (final order.)
2. U-20900 - In the matter of the application and request of Indiana Michigan Power Company seeking approval and authority to amend its terms and conditions of open access distribution service. (*ex parte*/final order.)

3. U-20905 - In the matter, on the Commission's own motion, to examine the changes to the regulations implementing the Public Regulatory Policies Act of 1978, 16 USC 2601 *et seq.*, pursuant to Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Final Order No. 872. (interim order.)
- U-18089 - In the matter, on the Commission's own motion, establishing the method and avoided cost calculation for Alpena Power Company to fully comply with the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978, 16 USC 2601 *et seq.*
- U-18090 - In the matter, on the Commission's own motion, establishing the method and avoided cost calculation for Consumers Energy Company to fully comply with the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978, 16 USC 2601 *et seq.*
- U-18091 - In the matter, on the Commission's own motion, establishing the method and avoided cost calculation for DTE Electric Company to fully comply with the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978, 16 USC 2601 *et seq.*
- U-18092 - In the matter, on the Commission's own motion, establishing the method and avoided cost calculation for Indiana Michigan Power Company to fully comply with the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978, 16 USC 2601 *et seq.*
- U-18093 - In the matter, on the Commission's own motion, establishing the method and avoided cost calculation for Northern States Power Company to fully comply with the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978, 16 USC 2601 *et seq.*
- U-18095 - In the matter, on the Commission's own motion, establishing the method and avoided cost calculation for Upper Michigan Energy Resources Corporation to fully comply with the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978, 16 USC 2601 *et seq.*
- U-20645 - In the matter, on the Commission's own motion, to establish MI Power Grid.
- U-20852 - In the matter, on the Commission's own motion, to commence a collaborative to consider best practices to ensure cost-effective development of new energy resources and to limit procurement barriers for emerging technologies, including processes for competitive bidding.

4. U-20907 - In the matter of the application of Upper Michigan Energy Resources Corporation for approval of revisions to its budget billing plan set forth in its electric and natural gas tariffs. (*ex parte*/final order.)

B. Gas

1. U-20209 - In the matter of the application of Consumers Energy Company for reconciliation of its gas cost recovery plan for the 12-month period April 1, 2018 through March 31, 2019. (petitions for rehearing.)
2. U-20831 - In the matter of the complaint of Matthew A. Shay against Direct Energy Services, LLC. (final order.)
3. U-20917 - In the matter of the application of DTE Gas Company for approval of changes to residential income assistance and low income assistance tariff regarding eligibility verification. (*ex parte*/final order.)

C. Steam

1. U-20794 - In the matter of the application of Detroit Thermal, LLC for authority to redesign and increase its rates for steam service and for other relief. (proposed settlement agreement.)

V. Announcement of 2021 Regular Commission Meeting Schedule.

VI. Public Comments.

Notices

- A. Any interested person may attend this electronic meeting and/or any future Regular or Special Meeting of the Commission. Any person may address the Commission during the time reserved on the Agenda for Public Comments in accordance with the content and duration limitations contained in the Commission's Bylaws.
- B. Persons needing an accommodation to participate may contact the Commission's Executive Secretary at (517) 284-8090 in advance to request hearing or other assistance.
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- D. **DISCLAIMER:** The Commission may act only as a collective body, and one commissioner cannot speak for the Commission as a whole. Remarks made by an individual commissioner, or staff, are not the official action of the Commission. The Commission's orders are the official action of the Commission.