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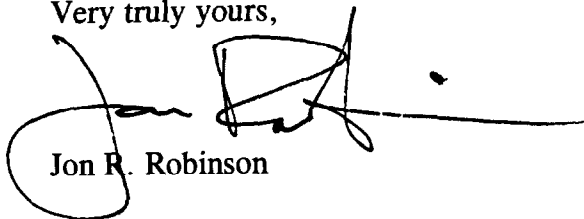
Ms. Dorothy Wideman
Executive Secretary
Michigan Public Service Commission
6545 Mercantile Way
P.O. Box 30221
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Re: Case No. U-11290, et al

Dear Ms. Wideman:

Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced matter, is an original and four copies of the "Statement of Consumers Energy Company". I have also enclosed a Proof of Service.

Very truly yours,



Jon R. Robinson

CC: Hon. Daniel E. Nickerson, Jr.
Hon. George Schankler
Parties per Attachment 1
to Proof of Service

STATE OF MICHIGAN

BEFORE THE MICHIGAN PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the matter, on the Commission's own)
motion, to consider the restructuring of) Case No. U-11290
the electric utility industry)
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In the matter of the request of)
CONSUMERS ENERGY COMPANY) Case No. U-11451
for approval of a retail open access tariff.)
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In the matter of the request of)
THE DETROIT EDISON COMPANY) Case No. U-11452
for approval of a Customer Delivery)
Contract.)
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for authority to suspend its power)
supply cost recovery clause and)
related relief)
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In the matter of the request of)
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and **THE DETROIT EDISON**) Case No. U-11454
COMPANY for approval of a true-up)
mechanism in connection with the)
recovery of stranded costs.)
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STATEMENT OF CONSUMERS ENERGY COMPANY

This Statement is in response to the Commission's August 17, 1999 Opinion and Order (August 17 Order) in the above dockets in which it ordered that, "if Consumers Energy Company chooses to implement the customer choice program contained in the orders of June 5, 1997, October 29, 1997, January 14, 1998, February 11, 1998, March 8, 1999 and August 17, 1999

in the above-captioned cases, it shall file a statement of the Chief Executive Officer of its electric business unit to that effect by September 1, 1999”. August 17 Order, at p. 32.

Consumers Energy hereby reaffirms its decision to continue to implement the customer choice program which has been previously approved by the Commission in the June 5, 1997 Opinion and Order in Case No. U-11290, the October 29, 1997 Orders in Case Nos. U-11451, U-11452, U-11453, U-11454 and U-11456, the January 14, 1998 Order in Case Nos. U-11290, U-11449, U-11451, U-11452, U-11453, U-11454 and U-11456, the February 11, 1998 Order in Case Nos. U-11290, U-11449, U-11451, U-11452, U-11453 and U-11454, the March 8, 1999 Order in Case Nos. U-11290, U-11449, U-11451, U-11452, U-11453 and U-11454, and the August 17, 1999 Order in Case Nos. U-11290, U-11449, U-11451, U-11452, U-11453, U-11454 and U-11456.

The commitment set forth in this statement is based upon the Company’s understanding of the policies, rates, terms and conditions set forth in the referenced orders, including full recovery of stranded costs and prudently incurred implementation costs.¹ In making this commitment, Consumers Energy reserves its right to take positions it considers appropriate with respect to future changes in the policies, rates, terms and conditions of the program and with respect to related cases, and to appeal or seek rehearing of Commission decisions which the Company believes are unlawful or unreasonable.²

¹ This, of course, includes the statement by the Commission in the August 17 Order that “obviously the Commission will comply with the Court’s decision [in North American Natural Resources, Inc. v Michigan Public Service Commission, Case Nos. 5:98-CU-21 to 24], assuming that it is not reversed on appeal or not superseded by further federal legislation, ...”

² For example, the Company is in the process of analyzing the Commission’s orders of August 31, 1999 in Case Nos. U-11180R, U-11941 and U-11954.

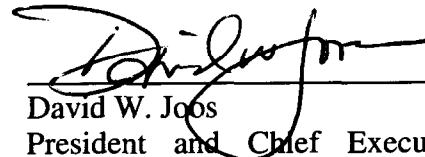
All approvals of the Consumers Energy Company Board of Directors which are necessary for the filing of this Statement have been obtained.

Respectfully submitted,

CONSUMERS ENERGY COMPANY

Dated: September 1, 1999

By:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "David W. Joos", is written over a horizontal line.

David W. Joos
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Electric Business Unit

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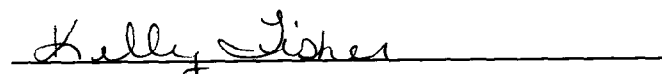
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COUNTY OF JACKSON)

Sammie B. Dalton, being first duly sworn, deposes and says that she is employed in the Legal Department of Consumers Energy Company; that she served a copy of the "**Statement of Consumers Energy Company**" upon the persons listed in Attachment 1 hereto, at the addresses

listed therein by depositing the same on September 1, 1999, in the United States mail in the City of Jackson, Michigan with first-class postage thereon fully paid.


Sammie B. Dalton

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 1st day of September, 1999.


Kelly Fisher
Notary Public, Jackson County, Michigan
My Commission Expires: January 18, 2002

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