

STATE OF MICHIGAN
BEFORE THE MICHIGAN PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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NOTICE OF HEARING

CONSUMERS ENERGY COMPANY

CASE NO. U-12103

- Consumers Energy Company may waive a portion of Rule 723 of the Michigan Gas Safety Code, if the Michigan Public Service Commission approves its request.
- The information below describes how a person may participate in this case.
- You may call or write Consumers Energy Company, 212 W. Michigan Avenue, Jackson, Michigan 49201, 517.788.0677 for a free copy of the application. Any person may review the application at Consumers' offices.
- The first public hearing in this matter will be held:

DATE:	December 14, 1999 This hearing will be a prehearing conference to set future hearing dates and decide other procedural matters.
TIME:	9:00 a.m.
LOCATION:	Michigan Public Service Commission 6545 Mercantile Way, Suite 7 Lansing, Michigan
PARTICIPATION:	Any interested person may attend and participate. Persons with disabilities needing help to effectively participate should call the Commission's Executive Secretary at 517.241.6160 or 800.292.9555 a week in advance to request mobility, visual, hearing or other assistance.

The Michigan Public Service Commission (Commission) will hold a public hearing to consider Consumers Energy Company's (Consumers) September 15, 1999 request for approval to partially waive Rule 723 of the Michigan Gas Safety Code pertaining to the interval for leakage survey of copper services.

The Commission has selected this case for participation in its Electronic Filings Pilot. Therefore, all filings in this case, including petitions to intervene, shall be made by both paper submission and electronic format. Contact the Commission at 800.292.9555, 517.241.6170 or by E-mail at efile@ermisbbs.cis.state.mi.us for information and requirements for filing electronic documents in this case with the Commission.

Any person wishing to intervene and become a party to the case shall file an original and four paper copies and an electronic copy in the portable document format (PDF) of a petition to intervene with this Commission by December 7, 1999. Proof of service shall indicate service upon Consumers' attorney, Mr. Raymond E. McQuillan, 212 W. Michigan Avenue, Jackson, Michigan 49201.

A member of the public who wishes to make a statement of position without becoming a party to a case, may participate by filing an appearance. To file the appearance, you must attend the hearing and advise the presiding administrative law judge of your wish to make a statement of position.

A copy of Consumers' request may also be reviewed at the office of the Commission's Executive Secretary, 6545 Mercantile Way, Lansing, Michigan, and at the office of Consumers Energy Company, 212 W. Michigan Avenue, Jackson, Michigan. For more information on how to participate in a case, you may contact the Commission at the above address or by telephone at 517.241.6170 or 800.292.9555.

The Commission has jurisdiction pursuant to 1909 PA 300, as amended, MCL 462.2 et seq.; MSA 22.21 et seq.; 1919 PA 419, as amended, MCL 460.51 et seq.; MSA 22.1 et seq.; 1929 PA 69, as amended, MCL 460.501 et seq.; MSA 22.141 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.

November 17, 1999
Lansing, Michigan

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Mr. Raymond E. McQuillan
Consumers Energy Company
212 W. Michigan Avenue
Jackson, Michigan 49201

Dear Mr. McQuillan:

Consumers Energy Company shall mail, by November 30, 1999, a copy of the enclosed notice of hearing to all cities, incorporated villages, townships and counties affected by the proposed service.

Consumers Energy Company shall cause the enclosed notice of hearing to be published in daily newspapers of general circulation throughout its gas service area by November 30, 1999. Publishing requirements and a copy of the publishing format are enclosed. Affidavits of publication and proofs of service shall be filed by the prehearing conference on December 14, 1999.

Sincerely,

Dorothy Wideman
Executive Secretary

Enclosure