

STATE OF MICHIGAN
BEFORE THE MICHIGAN PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the matter of the application of
SEMCO ENERGY GAS COMPANY
for a certificate of public convenience and
necessity to construct facilities in and render
gas service in Akron, Columbia, Elmwood and
Almer Townships, Tuscola County, Michigan.

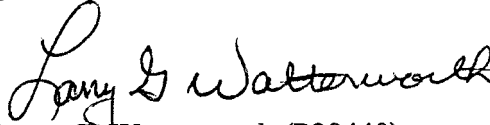
Case No. U-12512

APPEARANCE OF THE
MICHIGAN PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION STAFF

NOW COMES the Michigan Public Service Commission Staff, by its counsel, Larry G. Watterworth, Assistant Attorney General, and appears generally in the above-entitled cause of action, pursuant to Rule 307 of the Rules of Practice and Procedure Before the Michigan Public Service Commission (Michigan Administrative Code R 460.17307).

Respectfully submitted,

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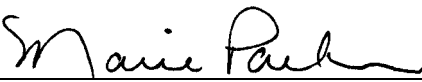
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COUNTY OF INGHAM)

Marie Parker, being first duly sworn, deposes and says that on August 4, 2000, she served a true copy of Appearance of the Michigan Public Service Commission Staff upon the following parties by depositing the same in a United States postal depository enclosed in an envelope bearing postage fully prepaid, plainly addressed as follows:

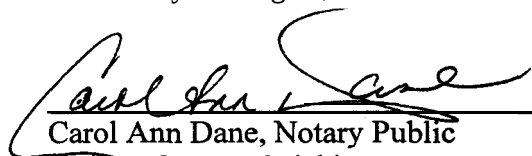
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Marie Parker

Subscribed and sworn to before me
this 4th day of August, 2000.



Carol Ann Dane, Notary Public
Ingham County, Michigan
My Commission Expires: 07-23-2004