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BY ELECTRONIC FILING AND U.S. MAIL

Ms. Carol Tomak
Assistant to the Executive Secretary
Michigan Public Service Commission
P.O. Box 30221
Lansing, MI 48909

CASE NO. U-12715

Dear Ms. Tomak:

Enclosed herewith are:

1. One copy of Notice of Hearing to be held on January 9, 2001 in the matter of the Application of Consumers Energy Company for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Render Natural Gas Service in Alabaster Township, Iosco County, Michigan. This Notice of Hearing was mailed to each city, incorporated village, township and county affected by the proposed service as well as to any utility rendering similar service in the proposed service area.

2. Proof of Service.

Sincerely,

Mary K. Polack

Mary K. Polack
Paralegal

CC: REMcQuillan (with copy of Proof of Service and attachments)
Honorable George Schankler, ALJ (letter only)

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STATE OF MICHIGAN

BEFORE THE MICHIGAN PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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NOTICE OF HEARING
FOR THE CUSTOMERS OF

CONSUMERS ENERGY COMPANY
CASE NO. U-12715

- Consumers Energy Company may render natural gas service in Alabaster Township, Iosco County, Michigan, if the Michigan Public Service Commission grants it a certificate of public convenience and necessity.

- 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:	January 9, 2001 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) November 15, 2000 request for a certificate

of public convenience and necessity to render natural gas service in Alabaster Township, Iosco County, Michigan. Consumers states that Michigan Consolidated Gas Company currently provides natural gas service to the township.

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 cases.efile.mpsc@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 of a petition to intervene and an electronic copy in the portable document format (PDF) with this Commission by January 2, 2001. The proof of service shall indicate service upon Consumer's attorney, Mr. Raymond McQuillan, Consumers Energy Company, 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 the 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 Consumers Energy Company's office, 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.

December 1, 2000
Lansing, Michigan

STATE OF MICHIGAN

BEFORE THE MICHIGAN PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Application of **Consumers Energy Company** for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Render Natural Gas Service in Alabaster Township, Iosco County Michigan	))))))	Case No. U-12715

PROOF OF SERVICE

STATE OF MICHIGAN)
) SS
COUNTY OF JACKSON)

Carolyn Hinton, being first duly sworn, deposes and says that she is employed in the Legal Department of Consumers Energy Company; that she mailed a copy of the attached Notice of Hearing to each city, incorporated village, township and county affected by the proposed service as well as to any utility rendering similar service in the proposed service area, at the addresses shown below by enclosing said copies in envelopes properly addressed, with first-class postage prepaid, and depositing the same on December 6, 2000, in the United States Post Office in the City of Jackson, Michigan.

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Clerk
Iosco County
PO Box 838
Tawas City, MI 48763

Stephanie Wentworth
Alabaster Township Supervisor
1716 S. U.S. Highway 23
Tawas City, MI 48763

Carolyn Hinton

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 6th day of December, 2000.

Mary K. Polack
Mary K. Polack
Notary Public, Jackson County, MI
My Commission Expires: 9-9-2001