



Michigan Public Service Commission  
P.O. Box 30221  
Lansing, MI 48909

**Re: Case #U-21534**

Dear Michigan Public Service Commissioners,

As President and CEO of Barton Malow, I am writing to express my support for DTE in light of its electric rate case. DTE's 15-year commitment to prioritizing spending with in-state businesses reflects its dedication to putting Michigan first. This focus not only creates jobs but also enables hardworking companies like ours to thrive.

DTE trusts us and our Michigan workforce to consistently deliver exceptional results, on time and under budget. Our strong relationship has provided numerous opportunities for Barton Malow to grow. We have hired and trained many new team members to bolster our capabilities in constructing renewable energy projects throughout the state. Additionally, as we continue to invest in sustainable solutions with DTE, we have purchased new equipment to improve efficiency and support local suppliers.

We strive to support and partner with minority, women, and veteran-owned firms and actively participate in DTE's Diverse Supplier Mentorship Program. Our engagement in the program strengthens partnerships with diverse organizations and increases spending with diverse suppliers. DTE's investment and mentorship have allowed us to work with companies such as L.S. Brinker and Progressive Mechanical.

DTE encourages us to give back by doing business close to home and enhancing the communities we serve. We take immense pride in actively investing in and supporting the local areas where we work, live, and play. Our dedication goes beyond the projects we undertake, it's about fostering communities and creating lasting positive impact wherever we operate together.

Thank you for considering how DTE's investments and support of Michigan businesses drive positive change, resulting in greater prosperity in communities across the state.

Sincerely,

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Ryan Maibach  
President and Chief Executive Officer  
Barton Malow