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April 25, 2025

Case No. U-16230

Mr. Joseph E. Quandt
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412 South Union St.
Traverse City, MI 49684

Dear Mr. Quandt:

Riverside Energy Michigan, LLC shall cause the enclosed notice to respond to be published, by May 16, 2025, in the Michigan Oil and Gas News, (hard copy publication) magazine. Publishing requirements are enclosed. Michigan Oil and Gas News has indicated that in order for the notice to respond to be published in their May 16th edition, **they MUST receive it NO LATER than May 5, 2025**. Affidavits of publication shall be filed by May 30, 2025.

Sincerely,

Lisa Felice
Executive Secretary

Enclosures

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STATE OF MICHIGAN
BEFORE THE MICHIGAN PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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In the matter, on the Commission's own motion,	)	
to consider the appropriate regulatory response to	)	
proposals by various producers of natural gas from	)	Case No. U-16230
<u>Formation to operate their wells under a vacuum.</u>	)	

**NOTICE TO RESPOND TO MOTION TO AMEND THE OCTOBER 27, 2015 ORDER
ESTABLISHING REQUIREMENTS FOR AN ANTRIM NATURAL GAS WELL, POOL,
OR FIELD TO OPERATE UNDER A VACUUM**

On August 19, 2024, Riverside Energy Michigan, LLC (Riverside Energy) filed a motion to amend the October 27, 2015 order establishing requirements for an Antrim natural gas well, pool, or field to operate under a vacuum. Riverside Energy proposes a change to the requirements of Section VI.A., which provides, in part, as follows: An operator of an Antrim field or project under vacuum shall annually file a report with the Michigan Public Service Commission (Commission) and, for each Antrim field or project, the annual report shall contain (1) all dates on which the oxygen level were measured at or above 5 ppm for a period of 10 minutes; (2) an annual analysis of fuel consumption versus the estimated incremental production for the first 12 months of operation; and (3) the average monthly wellhead pressure for each well that was operated under vacuum.

Riverside Energy proposes that Section VI.A. be amended so that the reporting requirements for the average monthly wellhead pressure for wells operated under a vacuum be required only for the first 12 months and, that after the first 12 months of operation, the annual report need not include the average monthly wellhead pressure for each well operated under vacuum. Furthermore, Riverside Energy proposes that after the first 12 months of operation, operators shall monitor wellhead pressure for each well and retain records for Commission review and inspection; however, such records would not be required to be filed with the annual reports. According to Riverside Energy, the purpose of the proposed amendments is to lessen the significant regulatory burden on operators to file reports of monthly wellhead pressures after the first 12 months of well operation.

A copy of Riverside Energy's motion may be reviewed on the Commission's E-Dockets website at: <https://mi-psc.my.site.com/s/>. Responses to the motion may be filed with the Commission and must be received no later than 5:00 p.m., Eastern Time, on **June 6, 2025**. Responses should reference Case No. **U-16230**. Responses can be electronically filed, or emailed to mpscedockets@michigan.gov. Written responses may also be sent to the Executive Secretary, Michigan Public Service Commission, P.O. Box 30221, Lansing, Michigan 48909.

All documents electronically filed in this case shall be submitted through the Commission's E-Dockets website at: <https://mi-psc.my.site.com/s/>. Requirements and instructions for electronic filing can be found in the User Manual on the E-Dockets help page. If you require assistance, contact Commission staff at (517) 284-8090 or by email at: mpscedockets@michigan.gov.

All information submitted to the Commission in this matter becomes public information, thus available on the Commission's website, and subject to disclosure. Please do not include information you wish to remain private.

Jurisdiction is pursuant to 1929 PA 9, as amended, MCL 483.101 et seq.; Mich Admin Code R 460.851 et seq.; and Parts 1 & 4 of the Administrative Hearing Rules of the Michigan Office of Administrative Hearings and Rules, Mich. Admin Code, R 792.10106(2), (3), (4), (5), (6), and (7); R 792.10121; and R 792.10401 through R 792.10448.

Dated: April 25, 2025

Lisa Felice, Executive Secretary

MICHIGAN PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
RATE-REGULATED UTILITIES
PUBLISHING REQUIREMENTS FOR NOTICE

- Attached notice shall be published one time in the Michigan Oil and Gas News.
- Published title of notice shall be printed in at least 12-point boldface type.
- Body of notice shall be in 9-point type surrounded by a black border 1/8 inch from the body of the notice.
- Affidavits of publication with annexed notice shall be filed by May 30, 2025.

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consider the appropriate regulatory response to)
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Antrim Shale Formation to operate their wells under)
a vacuum.)

PROOF OF SERVICE

STATE OF MICHIGAN)
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County of Eaton)

Angela Pearl Sanderson being duly sworn, deposes and says that on **April 25, 2025**, she served a copy of the attached **Notice to Respond** by e-mail/regular mail to those persons as shown on the below service list.

Angela P. Sanderson
Angela P. Sanderson

Subscribed and sworn to before me
this 25th day of April, 2025.

Lisa Felice
Notary Public, Eaton County, Michigan
My Commission Expires: April 15, 2028

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