

STATE OF MICHIGAN
BEFORE THE MICHIGAN PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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In the matter of the application of)	
SPRAGUE OPERATING RESOURCES LLC)	
for a license as an alternative gas supplier.)	Case No. U-21960
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At the November 6, 2025 meeting of the Michigan Public Service Commission in Lansing, Michigan.

PRESENT: Hon. Daniel C. Scripps, Chair
Hon. Katherine L. Peretick, Commissioner
Hon. Shaquila Myers, Commissioner

ORDER

On August 4, 2025, Sprague Operating Resources LLC (Sprague) applied for a license to operate as an alternative gas supplier (AGS) in Michigan pursuant to Public Act 634 of 2002, MCL 460.9 *et seq.* (Act 634). As part of its application, Sprague provided information to demonstrate compliance with the AGS license requirements set forth in Act 634 and the Commission’s March 12, 2003 order in Case No. U-13694 (March 12 order) establishing the AGS licensing procedure.

Act 634 requires an AGS to have the necessary financial, managerial, and technical capabilities to serve customers within the state of Michigan.¹ In accordance with the March 12 order, the Commission Staff (Staff) must review the application of the prospective AGS for

¹ See, MCL 460.9b(3).

conformance with Act 634 and with the Commission's orders. The Staff then must recommend appropriate action regarding that application to the Commission.

The Staff has reviewed Sprague's license application and information, as well as the history of its affiliates. Based on this review, the Staff recommends that Sprague be granted a license to operate as an AGS in Michigan.

Sprague currently provides natural gas to about 33,000 customers in Connecticut, Maryland, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Virginia, West Virginia, and Washington, D.C.

Upon review of Sprague's personnel descriptions and histories, the Staff observed that Sprague's key personnel have extensive experience in the energy industry. The Staff also found that Sprague is able to respond to customer inquiries and complaints in a timely manner through its current customer service team. Based on its review, the Staff has determined that Sprague has sufficient experience and expertise to serve customers in Michigan's Gas Customer Choice Program. The Commission agrees.

Sprague provided the Staff with a bond in the amount of \$100,000. Based on its review of the audited consolidated financial statements and the satisfied bond requirement, the Staff determined that Sprague's financial capabilities and availability meet Act 634 requirements. The Commission agrees.

Act 634 requires Sprague to maintain an office within the state of Michigan.² While Sprague does not currently have a Michigan office, it has indicated that it will establish one upon becoming licensed in the state of Michigan and will provide notice to the Staff of the address for its

² See, Act 634, MCL 460.9b(2). See also, December 20, 2012 order in Case No. U-13694 for Michigan office requirements.

Michigan office prior to engaging in any marketing activity. Based on these conditions being met, the Staff has provisionally determined that Sprague has met the office requirement for licensing.

The Commission agrees.

The Staff's review of Sprague's application also included a review of formal complaints or investigations, energy-related penalties and fines, and any violations of energy laws and business ethics in the other 12 states and Washington D.C. where Sprague holds a license to supply natural gas. Currently, there are no open lawsuits or formal complaints.

Based on Sprague's submissions and the Staff's review, the Commission finds that Sprague's request to be licensed as an AGS is reasonable and in the public interest, and should be approved, subject to the condition that it establish an office in Michigan and notifies the Staff of the address prior to engaging in any marketing activity. The Commission finds that the AGS license should be conditioned upon compliance with all of the applicable provisions of Act 634, the Commission's orders and administrative rules, and each of the delivering natural gas utilities' tariffs. Failure to comply with any of these provisions may result in revocation of the license or other penalties.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that:

A. Sprague Operating Resources LLC is granted a license as an alternative gas supplier, subject to the conditions contained in this order.

B. Sprague Operating Resources LLC shall comply with the regulatory requirements specified in Public Act 634 of 2002, MCL 460.9 *et seq.*, the Commission's orders and administrative rules, and each of the delivering natural gas utilities' tariffs.

The Commission reserves jurisdiction and may issue further orders as necessary.

Any party desiring to appeal this order must do so in the appropriate court within 30 days after issuance and notice of this order, pursuant to MCL 462.26. To comply with the Michigan Rules of Court's requirement to notify the Commission of an appeal, appellants shall send required notices to both the Commission's Executive Secretary and to the Commission's Legal Counsel.

Electronic notifications should be sent to the Executive Secretary at LARA-MPSC-Edockets@michigan.gov and to the Michigan Department of Attorney General - Public Service Division at sheacl@michigan.gov. In lieu of electronic submissions, paper copies of such notifications may be sent to the Executive Secretary and the Attorney General - Public Service Division at 7109 W. Saginaw Hwy., Lansing, MI 48917.

MICHIGAN PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Daniel C. Scripps, Chair

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Shaquila Myers, Commissioner

By its action of November 6, 2025.

Lisa Felice, Executive Secretary

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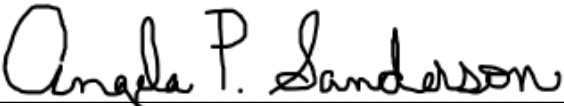
County of Ingham)

Brianna Brown being duly sworn, deposes and says that on November 6, 2025 A.D. she electronically notified the attached list of this Commission Order via e-mail transmission, to the persons as shown on the attached service list (Listserv Distribution List).



Brianna Brown

Subscribed and sworn to before me
this 6th day of November 2025.



Angela P. Sanderson

Notary Public, Shiawassee County, Michigan
As acting in Eaton County
My Commission Expires: May 21, 2030

Service List for Case: U-21960

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