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Michigan Public Service Commission
7109 West Saginaw Highway
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Dear Commissioners:

I am writing to express my strong support for the Michigan Public Service Commission's approval of the two contracts that will enable DTE Energy to provide electricity for the proposed 1.4-gigawatt data center project in Michigan. This project represents a significant opportunity for our state. The data center will bring substantial economic investment, create high-quality jobs, and reinforce Michigan's position as a leader in innovation and technology infrastructure.

Beyond its economic benefits, DTE's involvement ensures that this large-scale facility will be supported by a reliable and increasingly clean energy provider committed to Michigan's long-term sustainability goals. Approving these contracts will help attract major technology investments that strengthen Michigan's energy infrastructure, expand our renewable generation portfolio, and boost local economies. The partnerships formed through these agreements will demonstrate that Michigan can meet the growing energy demands of advanced industries while maintaining a responsible and forward-looking approach to energy planning.

The data center development in DTE's electric service territory will not increase customer rates. The contracts before the commission ensure the data center will absorb all new costs required to serve them. Public Acts 181 and 207 of 2024 - passed by the Michigan legislature with broad bipartisan support - ensure existing electric customers will not subsidize data center rates. Michigan's regulated cost-of-service electricity rates ensure that data centers pay their fair share and further protect customers from increases in their own utility rates.

I respectfully urge the Commission to approve these contracts without delay to allow DTE Energy and its partners to move forward. This project will be a cornerstone in Michigan's economic and energy future.



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Thank you for your consideration and for your continued service to our state.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Joe Tate".

Joe Tate
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