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CASE NO. U-15629 – GAS DEPRECIATION RATES

Dear Mr. Erickson:

Enclosed are the Company's responses to discovery questions 15629-AG-CE-39 and 40. These responses are being served in hard copy format only on the requesting party. The requesting party and all others will be served with the discovery responses by e-mail. In an effort to save time in preparing responses to discovery requests, all responses will no longer be notarized.

In providing these responses, the Company does not necessarily concede that the requested information is relevant or material to these proceedings. The Company therefore specifically reserves the right to raise objections to the introduction into evidence, through cross-examination or otherwise, of any material supplied pursuant to a discovery request.

The Company intends to supplement a prior response if it becomes aware of a relevant and material error in the response. The Company also intends to supplement a prior response if it becomes aware that there has been a significant change in circumstances unknown to the requesting party which would substantially alter a prior response in a manner which is material and relevant to this case. However, the Company does not keep prior responses under continuous review.

Enclosed with this transmittal is a copy of your March 3, 2009 interrogatories with our internal numbering system annotated in the margins. This will assist you in cross-referencing and tracking our responses.

Sincerely,



Digitally signed by M. Bryan Little  
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CC Hon. James N. Rigas, ALJ (letter only via e-mail)  
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Parties of Record

STATE OF MICHIGAN

BEFORE THE MICHIGAN PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Application of )  
CONSUMERS ENERGY COMPANY )  
For Accounting Approval of )  
Depreciation Rates for Gas Utility Plant )

Case No. U-15629

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PROOF OF SERVICE

STATE OF MICHIGAN )  
 ) SS  
COUNTY OF JACKSON )

Cheryl A. Dempski, being first duly sworn, deposes and says that she is employed by Consumers Energy Company; that she served a copy of the materials provided in response to discovery question nos. 15629-AG-CE-39 and 40 upon the persons listed on Attachment 1 hereto, by depositing the same on March 9, 2009, in the United States mail in the City of Jackson, Michigan, with first-class postage thereon fully paid.

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Cheryl A. Dempski

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 9<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2009.

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Mark E. Mathias  
Notary Public  
State of Michigan, County of Jackson  
Acting in the County of Jackson  
My Commission Expires: October 18, 2013

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Sharon K. Davis, being first duly sworn, deposes and says that she is employed in the Legal Department of Consumers Energy Company; that on March 9, 2009 she served an electronic copy of the materials provided in response to discovery questions 15629-AG-CE-39 and 40 upon the persons listed in Attachment 1 hereto, at the e-mail addresses listed therein. She further states that she also served an electronic copy of the cover letter only to the Honorable James N. Rigas, Administrative Law Judge, at jnrigas@michigan.gov.

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Sharon K. Davis

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 9<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2009.

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Judy A. Jones, Notary Public  
State of Michigan, County of Eaton  
My Commission Expires: 10/25/13  
Acting in the County of Jackson

**Attachment 1 to Case No. U-15629 - E-Mail Service List**

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