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Notice of Hearing in Case No. U-16655
By July 16, 2012.**

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MPSC Case No. U-16655
 Date Notice Was Published: July 16, 2012
 Pre-Hearing Date: July 30, 2012
 Ad No. 5341-E
 Affidavits Due to MKPolack: July 12, 2012
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 Notice Mailed: July 16, 2012
 Court Reporter: Ripka, Boroski
 Judge: Mark D. Eyster
 Attorney: Raymond E McQuillan
 Serve Intervenors From MPSC Case Nos.: U-15805 and U-16543

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The State Journal-Lansing	7-17-12		

**NOTICE OF HEARING
FOR THE ELECTRIC CUSTOMERS OF
CONSUMERS ENERGY COMPANY
CASE NO. U-16655**

- Consumers Energy Company seeks Michigan Public Service Commission approval to reconcile its renewable energy plan costs for the period of January 1, 2011 through December 31, 2011.
- The information below describes how a person may participate in this case.
- You may call or write Consumers Energy Company, One Energy Plaza, Jackson, Michigan 49201, (800) 477-5050 for a free copy of its application. Any person may review the documents at the offices of Consumers Energy Company.
- A public hearing will be held:

DATE/TIME: July 30, 2012, at 9:00 a.m.
This hearing will be a prehearing conference to set future hearing dates and decide other procedural matters.

BEFORE: Administrative Law Judge Mark D. Eyster

LOCATION: Michigan Public Service Commission
6545 Mercantile Way, Suite 7
Lansing, Michigan

The Mercantile Way building sustained flood damage and remains closed until further notice. Please consult the Michigan Public Service Commission website at: www.michigan.gov/mpsc for updates on hearing locations or call (517) 241-6060.

PARTICIPATION: Any interested person may attend and participate. The hearing site is accessible, including handicapped parking. Persons needing any accommodation to participate should contact the Commission's Executive Secretary at (517) 241-6160 in advance to request mobility, visual, hearing or other assistance.

The Michigan Public Service Commission (Commission) will hold a public hearing to consider Consumers Energy Company's (Consumers Energy) June 29, 2012 application for approval to reconcile its Renewable Energy Plan (REP) costs for the period of January 1, 2011 through December 31, 2011. Consumers Energy seeks Commission's approval to: a) determine that the Company's 2011 REP reconciliation is reasonable and prudent and meets all relevant requirements under 2008 Public Act 295; b) reconcile the pertinent revenues recorded and the allowance for the nonvolumetric revenue recovery mechanism with the amounts actually expensed and projected according to the Company's plan for compliance; c) establish a price per megawatt hour for renewable energy and advanced cleaner energy capacity and for renewable energy and advanced cleaner energy to be recovered through the power supply cost recovery clause of \$60.17 per megawatt hour; and d) allow the Company to utilize surplus energy optimization credits from 2011 and beyond to offset future renewable energy requirements.

All documents filed in this case shall be submitted electronically through the Commission's E-Dockets website at: michigan.gov/mpscdockets. Requirements and instructions for filing can be found in the User Manual on the E-Dockets help page. Documents may also be submitted, in Word or PDF format, as an attachment to an email sent to: mpscdockets@michigan.gov. If you require assistance prior to e-filing, contact Commission staff at (517) 241-6180 or by email at: mpscdockets@michigan.gov.

Any person wishing to intervene and become a party to the case shall electronically file a petition to intervene with this Commission by July 23, 2012. (Interested persons may elect to file using the traditional paper format.) The proof of service shall indicate service upon Consumers Energy's Legal Department-Regulatory Group, One Energy Plaza, Jackson, Michigan 49201.

Any person wishing to make a statement of position without becoming a party to the case may participate by filing an appearance. To file an appearance, the individual must attend the hearing and advise the presiding administrative law judge of his/her wish to make a statement of position. All information submitted to the Commission in this matter will become public information: available on the Michigan Public Service Commission's website, and subject to disclosure.

Requests for adjournment must be made pursuant to the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure R 460.17315 and R 460.17335. Requests for further information on adjournment should be directed to (517) 241-6060.

A copy of Consumers Energy's application may be reviewed on the Commission's website at: michigan.gov/mpscdockets, and at the office of Consumers Energy Company, One Energy Plaza, Jackson, MI. For more information on how to participate in a case, you may contact the Commission at the above address or by telephone at (517) 241-6180.

Jurisdiction is pursuant to 1909 PA 106, as amended, MCL 460.551 et seq.; 1919 PA 419, as amended, MCL 460.54 et seq.; 1939 PA 3, as amended, MCL 460.1 et seq.; 1982 PA 304, as amended, MCL 460.6h et seq.; 1969 PA 306, as amended, MCL 24.201 et seq.; 2008 PA 295, MCL 460.1001 et seq., and the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, as amended, 1999 AC, R 460.17101 et seq.



AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

State of Michigan,) ss
County of County of Bay)

Dawn Suttorp being duly sworn, deposes and says that he/she is principal clerk of the MLive Media Group; that Bay City Times is a newspaper published and circulated in the County of Bay, and the attached notice has been duly published in said newspaper on the following dates:

July 12, 2012

Customer Name:
CONSUMERS ENERGY

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JUL 18 2012
CECO Legal**

Dawn Suttorp
Dawn Suttorp

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 17th day of July A.D. 2012

Janice M. Ringler
Janice M. Ringler NOTARY PUBLIC IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF KENT, STATE OF MICHIGAN

My Commission Expires: October 3, 2014

Folios 1 Times \$ 2,862.10
Affidavit \$ 0.00
Words/Lines \$2,862.10

JANICE M. RINGLER
Notary Public, State of Michigan
County of Kent
My Commission Expires: 10/03/2014
Acting in the County of *Kent*

**AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION
MLIVE MEDIA GROUP**

IN THE MATTER OF

**CONSUMERS ENERGY
ONE ENERGY PLZ
JACKSON MI 49201**

Received and filed this 17th day of July A.D. 2012



AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

State of Michigan,) ss
County of County of Genesee)
Dawn Suttorp being duly sworn, deposes and says that he/she is principal clerk of the MLive Media Group; that Flint Journal is a newspaper published and circulated in the County of Genesee, and the attached notice has been duly published in said newspaper on the following dates:

July 12, 2012

Customer Name:
CONSUMERS ENERGY

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Dawn Suttorp

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AFFIDAVIT - PROOF OF PUBLICATION

STATE OF MICHIGAN
COUNTY OF MIDLAND

Case # U-16655
Ad # 5341-E

being duly sworn, disposes and says that I am a representative of Midland Daily News, a daily newspaper published and circulated in the County of Midland, and that a notice, of which the annexed printed notice is a true copy, has been published in said paper once in each week for 1 successive weeks 1 times and that the first publication thereof was on the 16th day of July 2012 and the last publication thereof was on the 16th day of July 2012.

See
Attached
Rider -

Paul C St Louis

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 18 day
of July 20 12

Joyce Dittenber

Joyce Dittenber - NOTARY PUBLIC for Midland County - Acting in Midland Co.

My commission expires

June 14, 2017

Printers fee 473.00
Affidavit chg 8.00
Total Charges 481.00
(Times 1)

JOYCE DITTENBER
NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF MI
COUNTY OF MIDLAND
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES Jun 16, 2017
COUNTY OF

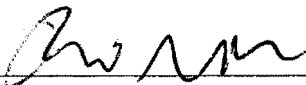
Affidavit of Publication

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STATE OF MICHIGAN
County of Isabella
County of Gratiot
County of Clare


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} SS.

Rick Mills being duly sworn, deposes and says that he is Executive Editor of the MORNING SUN, a public newspaper printed and published by Morning Star Publishing Company, in the Cities of Mt. Pleasant (Isabella County), Clare (Clare County) and Alma (Gratiot County) in said counties and circulated in said cities and counties, that the annexed printed notice was duly printed and published in said newspaper at least 1 in each week for 1 successive week(s), and that the first publication of said notice in said newspapers was on the 13th day of July, 2012 and that last publication of said notice in said newspapers was on the 13th day of July, 2012.



Rick Mills

Subscribed and sworn to before me the 13 day of July 2012.



Ryan Knight Notary Public

Ryan Knight
Notary Public of Michigan
Isabella County
Expires 1/6/2018

My commission expires _____



AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

State of Michigan,) ss
County of County of Saginaw)
Dawn Suttorp being duly sworn, deposes and says that he/she is principal clerk of the MLive Media Group; that Saginaw News is a newspaper published and circulated in the County of Saginaw, and the attached notice has been duly published in said newspaper on the following dates:

July 12, 2012

Customer Name:
CONSUMERS ENERGY

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JUL 18 2012
CECO Legal

Dawn Suttorp
Dawn Suttorp

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 17th day of July A.D. 2012

Janice M. Ringler
Janice M. Ringler NOTARY PUBLIC IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF KENT, STATE OF MICHIGAN

My Commission Expires: October 3, 2014

Folios 1 Times \$ 2,862.10
Affidavit \$ 0.00
Words/Lines \$ 2,862.10

JANICE M. RINGLER
Notary Public, State of Michigan
County of Kent
My Commission Expires 10-03-2014
Acting in the County of *Kent*

**AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION
MLIVE MEDIA GROUP**

IN THE MATTER OF

**CONSUMERS ENERGY
ONE ENERGY PLZ
JACKSON MI 49201**

Received and filed this 17th day of July A.D. 2012

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AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

STATE OF MICHIGAN

COUNTY OF BERRIEN } SS

Lynne Cobianco, being duly sworn and says that she is
 the Classified Manager of The Herald-Palladium, a
 newspaper published, printed and circulated in the
 County of Berrien, State of Michigan: That the
 annexed printed notice has been printed and published
 in said newspaper 1 times. Same being on the
 following days, to wit:

July 16, 2012

Lynne Cobianco
 Lynne Cobianco

Subscribed and sworn to me this 18th Day of
July A.D. 20 12.

Karin V. Crawford
 Karin V. Crawford

NOTARY PUBLIC, Berrien County, Michigan
 My commission expires Oct 18 20 12

STATE OF MICHIGAN
County of Lenawee
City of Adrian

Christine Schlieger being first duly sworn, says that she
is the PRINCIPAL CLERK of The Daily Telegram
a newspaper published in the English language for the dis-
semination of local or transmitted news and intelligence of a
general character, which is a duly qualified newspaper, and
that annexed here to is a copy of a certain order taken from
said newspaper, in which the order was published on the

_____ July 12 2012 _____

Paid _____

Amount Due \$2.00

Subscribed and sworn to before me this
day of July 12 2012

CSchlieger

Jenny L. Ward

Jenny L. Ward
Notary Public, Lenawee County, Michigan
My Commission Expires: September 12, 2014
Acting in County of Lenawee

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STATE OF MICHIGAN)
) SS
COUNTY OF HILLSDALE)

Jenifer Adams, being first duly sworn, says that she is the Classified Account Manager of the Hillsdale Daily News, a newspaper published in the English language for the dissemination of local or transmitted news and intelligence of a general character and legal news, which is a duly qualified newspaper, and that annexed hereto is a copy of a certain order taken from said newspaper, in which the order was published on the following dates, to wit:

July 13, 2012

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Jenifer Adams, Classified Account Manager

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 19 day of

July, 2012



Notary Public for Hillsdale County, Michigan

My commission expires 11-9-2017

MARILYNN BAKER
NOTARY PUBLIC - STATE OF MICHIGAN
My Commission Expires 11/9/2017
Acting in the County of Hillsdale



AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

State of Michigan,) ss
County of County of Jackson)
Dawn Suttorp being duly sworn, deposes and says that he/she is principal clerk of the MLive Media Group; that Jackson Citizen Patriot is a newspaper published and circulated in the County of Jackson, and the attached notice has been duly published in said newspaper on the following dates:

July 12, 2012

Customer Name:
CONSUMERS ENERGY

Dawn Suttorp
Dawn Suttorp

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 17th day of July A.D. 2012

Janice M. Ringler
Janice M. Ringler NOTARY PUBLIC IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF KENT, STATE OF MICHIGAN

My Commission Expires: October 3, 2014

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Affidavit \$ 0.00
Words/Lines \$ 2,862.10

JANICE M. RINGLER
Notary Public, State of Michigan
County of Kent
My Commission Expires: 10/03/2014
Acting in the County of Kent

**AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION
MLIVE MEDIA GROUP**

IN THE MATTER OF

**CONSUMERS ENERGY
ONE ENERGY PLZ
JACKSON MI 49201**

Received and filed this 17th day of July A.D. 2012

**STATE OF MICHIGAN
COUNTY OF MONROE**

SS

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Jay S. Hollon being first duly sworn, says that he is the Treasurer of The Monroe Evening News, a newspaper published in the English language for the dissemination of local or transmitted news and intelligence of a general character and legal news and which is a duly qualified newspaper, printed, published and circulated in the County of Monroe. The annexed notice is a printed copy taken from said newspaper, and has been duly published in said newspaper for One insertions, and that the first publication thereof was on the 13th day of July A.D. 2012 and the last publication thereof was on the 13th day of July A.D. 2012.

Jay S. Hollon

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 13th day of July A.D. 2012.

Janet Latondress

Notary Public, Monroe County, Mich.

JANET LATONDRESS

My commission expires _____

**Notary Public, Monroe County, Mich.
My Commission Expires Jan. 25, 2013**



AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

State of Michigan,) ss
County of County of Kalamazoo)
Dawn Suttorp being duly sworn, deposes and says that he/she is principal clerk of the MLive Media Group; that Kalamazoo Gazette is a newspaper published and circulated in the County of Kalamazoo, and the attached notice has been duly published in said newspaper on the following dates:

July 12, 2012

Customer Name:
CONSUMERS ENERGY

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CECO Legal

Dawn Suttorp

Dawn Suttorp

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 17th day of July A.D. 2012

Janice M. Ringle

Janice M. Ringle, NOTARY PUBLIC IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF KENT, STATE OF MICHIGAN

My Commission Expires: October 3, 2014

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Affidavit \$ 0.00
Words/Lines
\$ 2,862.10

JANICE M. RINGLE
Notary Public, State of Michigan
County of Kent
My Commission Expires: 10/03/2014
Acting in the County of *Kent*

**AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION
MLIVE MEDIA GROUP**

IN THE MATTER OF

**CONSUMERS ENERGY
ONE ENERGY PLZ
JACKSON MI 49201**

Received and filed this 17th day of July A.D. 2012

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AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

Battle Creek Enquirer
77 E. Michigan Ave., Ste 80
Battle Creek, MI 49017
State of Michigan, County of Calhoun

IN THE MATTER OF: Notice

Consumers Energy

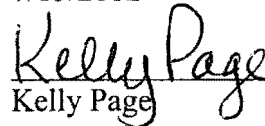
Kelly Page

Being duly sworn, says that he/she is authorized by the publisher of the Battle Creek Enquirer, to swear that a certain notice, a copy of which is annexed here to, was published in the following publication:

1. Published in the English language for the dissemination of general and/or legal news, and
2. Has a bonfide list of paying customers or has been published at least once a week in the same community without interruption for at least 2 years, and
3. Has been established, published and circulated at least once a week without interruption for at least one (1) year in the community where the publication is to occur.

Battle Creek Enquirer

7/13/2012

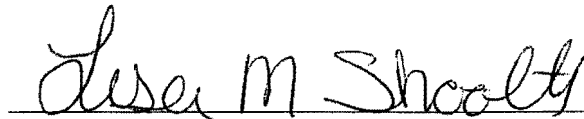

Kelly Page

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO BEFORE ME THIS 13th

DAY OF JULY 2012

LISA SHOOLTZ
NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF MICHIGAN, COUNTY OF SHIAWASSEE
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES: DECEMBER 17, 2017
ACTING IN THE COUNTY OF CALHOUN

LSJ 0100143727



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AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

Lansing State Journal
120 E. Lenawee
Lansing, MI 48919
State of Michigan, County of Ingham

IN THE MATTER OF: Notice

 Consumers Energy

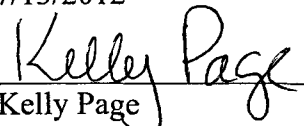
Kelly Page

Being duly sworn, says that he/she is authorized by the publisher of the Lansing State Journal, to swear that a certain notice, a copy of which is annexed here to, was published in the following publication:

1. Published in the English language for the dissemination of general and/or legal news, and
2. Has a bonfide list of paying customers or has been published at least once a week in the same community without interruption for at least 2 years, and
3. Has been established, published and circulated at least once a week without interruption for at least one (1) year in the community where the publication is to occur.

Lansing State Journal

7/13/2012



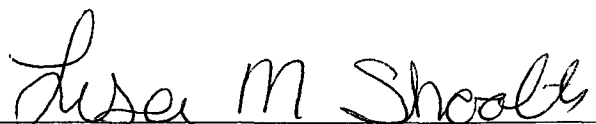
Kelly Page

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO BEFORE ME THIS 13th

DAY OF JULY 2012

LISA SHOOLTZ
NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF MICHIGAN, COUNTY OF SHIAWASSEE
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES: DECEMBER 17, 2017
ACTING IN THE COUNTY OF INGHAM

LSJ 0100143888



Lisa M Shoaltz

Affidavit of Publication

State of Michigan }
County of Ionia }

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Rebecca Bolduc: being
duly sworn, say I am the Representative
of Sentinel-Standard, a newspaper printed
and circulated in said county. The annexed
is printed copy of a notice, which was
published, in said paper on the following dates:

7/14 A.D. 2012

_____ A.D. 20 _____

_____ A.D. 20 _____

_____ A.D. 20 _____

Rebecca Bolduc

Subscribed and sworn to before me this
20 day of July 2012

David E. Cape
Notary Public, State of

Michigan, County of Ionia, Acting in
Ionia County

My commission expires: 2/4/10

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PROOF of PUBLICATION

STATE OF MICHIGAN }
County of Wexford } SS.

Sandra Smith of Cadillac News, a paper published in the County of Wexford and circulated in the Counties of Wexford, Missaukee, Osceola, and Lake; being duly sworn, deposed and says she is a Business Leader of said newspaper and that the annexed notice has been duly published in said paper once and that publication thereof was on the 12th day of July A.D. 2012.



Sandra Smith

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 12th day of July A.D. 2012.



Brenda Vanderhoef, Notary Public, State of Michigan
County of Osceola, Acting in County of Wexford
My commission expires: December 16, 2017

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County of Cheboygan, ss
State of Michigan

Mary Whaley, being duly sworn, says: I
am an employee of THE CHEBOYGAN DAILY
TRIBUNE, a newspaper printed and circulated in
in said county. The annexed is a printed copy of
a notice which was published in said paper on
the following dates to wit:

July 17 A.D. 2012

_____ A.D. 20

_____ A.D. 20

Mary Whaley

Subscribed and sworn to me this 19th

day of July A.D. 2012

Wendelin K. Whippo
Notary Public, Cheboygan County, Michigan

My Commission expires: 10/25/12

WENDELIN K. WHIPPO, Notary Public
State of Michigan
County of Cheboygan
My Commission Expires October 25, 2012
Acting in the County of CHEBOYGAN

STATE OF MICHIGAN

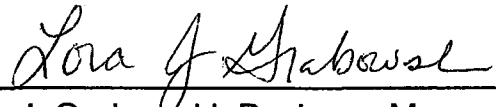
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County of Mason


Lora J. Grabowski, being first duly sworn, says that she is the business manager of the Ludington Daily News, a daily newspaper printed and circulated in said county of Mason, and that annexed hereto is a copy of a certain order taken from said newspaper, in which the order was published on the following dates, to wit:

July 16, 2012



(Lora J. Grabowski, Business Manager)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this
16th day of July A.D 2012


Michelle J. Piotrowski

Notary Public for Mason County, acting in
Mason County

Commission Expires: 12-18-2012

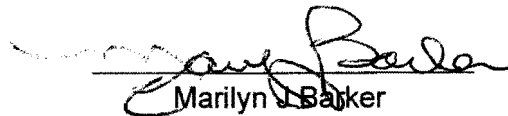
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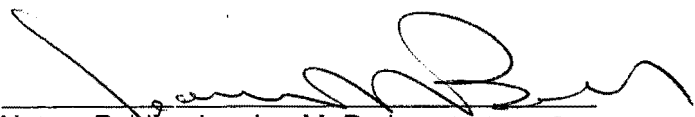
State of Michigan)
)SS
County of Manistee

Marilyn J Barker , being duly sworn, deposes and says that he/she is one of the editors, publishers of the Manistee News Advocate , a newspaper printed, published and circulated in said County of Manistee , and that the annexed notice of
CONSUMERS ENERGY 5341-E FOR U-16655

_____ was duly printed and published in said in said newspaper at least once each week for ONE (1) weeks in succession commencing on the 16TH day of JULY A.D. 2012 and ending on the 16TH day of JULY A.D. 2012


Marilyn J. Barker

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 16TH
day of JULY , A.D. 2012


Notary Public Jeanine M. Barber, Manistee County
Acting Manistee County
My Commission Expires March 10, 2018

AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

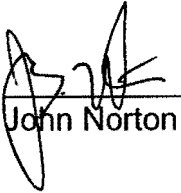
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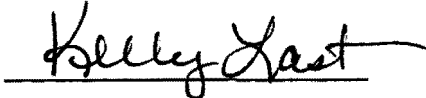
STATE OF MICHIGAN
County of Mecosta

John Norton, being duly sworn, deposes and says that he is one of the editors, publishers of the Pioneer, a newspaper printed, published and circulated in said County of Mecosta, and that the annexed notice of **Notice of Hearing: Consumers Energy Company Case No. U-16655** was duly printed and published in said newspaper(s) one (1) time on the 16th day of July A.D. 2012.



John Norton

Subscribed and sworn before me, this 20th day of July, A.D. 2012.



Kelly Last

Notary Public: Kelly Last
State of Michigan, County of Mecosta
My Commission Expires: July 12, 2014

1152 Consumers Energy Jackson
AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

* See attached

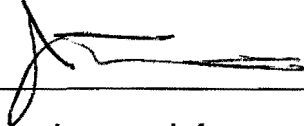
STATE OF MICHIGAN
County of Grand Traverse

RECEIVED
JUL 20 2012
CECO Legal

John Totoraitis being duly sworn deposes and says the annexed printed copy of notice was taken from the Traverse City RECORD EAGLE, a newspaper printed and circulated in said State and County, and that said notice was published in said newspaper on the following dates:

07/16/2012

that he or she is the agent of the printers of said newspaper, and knows well the facts stated herein



Subscribed and sworn to before
this 16th of July, 2012.



Vicki Hornacek
Notary Public, State of MI
County of Grand Traverse
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Business

ASKING QUESTIONS

Worker assessments differ from job to job

I'm looking to hire a few people. I know other employers use assessments, but I'm not sure why. What are assessments for?

The Answer

Assessments are gauges that help employers judge whether or not a candidate is the best fit for the position for which they are applying.

Every employer knows that hiring someone has inherent risks: how long will he or she stay, how will that person fit into the culture of the organization, how will he or she get along with co-workers? Sometimes making the offer is a best-guess scenario.

Assessments can be powerful tools to help take the guesswork out of a candidate's qualifications. A wide range of these are available to use as part of the hiring process. They include work-style tests, integrity tests and ability tests. Some employers even use assessments as part of their internal promotion process, too. The list of assessments is long, and each can have a slight variation in its focus.

Which assessment you use in your hiring process depends upon specific needs. Are you hir-

ing computer-based office professionals? Are you a manufacturer hiring for assembly work, robotic testing or for high-tech, clean-room projects?

Each of those scenarios might require a different type of assessment. Just as one person can't perform all jobs, one assessment doesn't fit all situations. Many assessments measure such tangible things as workplace knowledge, reading comprehension and math skills. Other assessments help measure less intangible qualities such as honesty, attitude, work ethic and potential absenteeism.

An assessment that the State of Michigan endorses and that employers in our region are utilizing more and more is ACT's National Career Readiness Certificate, WorkKeys. ACT is the same company that provides the standardized tests for schools. The WorkKeys assessment has three components: reading, math and locating information.

These are the three areas many West Michigan employers feel are most critical to workplace success.

But the WorkKeys assessment may not be right for your organization or for your specific candidates. Because the topic is so broad it's best if you speak with an assessments expert. Call (616) 396-2154 and ask for assessments.

The topic of assessments may be broad, but the general question is very simple: Is the candidate the right fit for the job and the organization? Conversely, is your organization the right fit for the candidate? This where the conversation of assessments begins.

Provided by Ottawa County Michigan Works!, which assists both job seekers and businesses. Located at 121 Clover St. For more information, or to pose a question, go to miottawa.org/michiganworks, email careernavigation@ocmawa.org or call 616-396-2154.

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PEOPLE IN BUSINESS

Paul H. Sterenberg, of Holland, was among those honored May 16th, at the 133rd Annual Convention of the Michigan Funeral Directors Association for having given 50 years of service to his profession. Sterenberg received his plaque from Randall Wyman, immediate president of the Michigan Funeral Directors Association.



Sterenberg

Louise McDonald has been chosen as the new president of Herman Miller Healthcare in Zeeland. She will also hold a corporate role as executive vice president for Herman Miller Inc., serving on CEO Brian Walker's executive leadership team. McDonald was formerly the chief marketing officer and executive vice president at Welch Ally.



McDonald

Carla Masselink and the team of Masselink, Kleinhekkel and Saewert Wealth Advisors of Raymond James have been invited to the Barron's Top Advisory meeting to be held in National Harbor, Md.



Masselink

Barron's is hosting the conference of the nation's pre-eminent financial advisory teams.

Mark Babcock of Holland was reappointed to the Michigan Board of Boiler Rules. The 11-member board formulates definitions and rules for the safe construction, installation, inspection and repair of boilers in the state. Babcock is principal engineer for Consumers Energy.



Babcock

Rick Beam has been promoted to distribution operations manager at the Allegan-based pharmaceutical supplier Perrigo. In this role, Beam is responsible for overseeing the day-to-day operation of Perrigo's three Michigan-based distribution centers and will be based at Perrigo's Allegan site. The Portage resident has 14 years of experience in operations and distribution.



Beam

centual supplier Perrigo. In this role, Larson is responsible for working with exports as well as with the logistics team to achieve and maintain Customs and Trade Partnership against Terrorism certification for Perrigo. She will be based at Perrigo's Allegan site. Larson has 21 years of experience in her field.

Tom Wight has been hired as business process architect for the Information Technology and Services team at the Allegan-based pharmaceutical supplier Perrigo. In this role, Wight will support the customer service, sales and distribution teams to improve Perrigo's order to cash processes and will be based at Perrigo's Allegan site. Wight has more than 20 years of experience in IT and business process improvement, and will be relocating to Holland.



Wight

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NOTICE OF HEARING FOR THE ELECTRIC CUSTOMERS OF CONSUMERS ENERGY COMPANY

CASE NO. U-16655

- Consumers Energy Company seeks Michigan Public Service Commission approval to reconcile its renewable energy plan costs for the period of January 1, 2011 through December 31, 2011.
- The information below describes how a person may participate in this case.
- You may call or write Consumers Energy Company, One Energy Plaza, Jackson, Michigan 49201, (800) 477-5650 for a free copy of its application. Any person may review the documents at the office of Consumers Energy Company.
- A public hearing will be held:
 - DATE/TIME:** July 30, 2012, at 9:00 a.m.
 - This hearing will be a preliminary conference to set future hearing date and decide other procedural matters.
 - BEFORE:** Administrative Law Judge Mark D. Eyster
 - LOCATION:** Michigan Public Service Commission 6545 Mercantile Way, Suite 7 Lansing, Michigan
- The Mercantile Way building maintained food storage and remains closed until further notice. Please consult the Michigan Public Service Commission website at: www.mpscc.com for updates on hearing location or call (517) 241-6000.
- PARTICIPATION:** Any interested person may attend and participate. The hearing will be accessible, including handicapped parking. Persons needing any accommodation to participate should contact the Commission's Executive Secretary at (517) 241-6100 in advance to request mobility, visual, hearing or other assistance.

The Michigan Public Service Commission (Commission) will hold a public hearing to consider Consumers Energy Company's (Company's) June 29, 2012 application for approval to reconcile its Renewable Energy Plan (REP) costs for the period of January 1, 2011 through December 31, 2011. Consumers Energy seeks Commission's approval to: a) determine that the Company's 2011 REP reconciliation is reasonable and prudent and meets all relevant requirements under 2008 Public Act 296; b) reconcile the pertinent revenues recorded and the allowance for the non-discriminatory revenue recovery mechanism with the amounts actually expended and projected according to the Company's plan for compliance; c) establish a price per megawatt hour for renewable energy and advanced cleaner energy capacity and for renewable energy and advanced cleaner energy to be recovered through the power supply cost recovery clause of 500.17 per megawatt hour; and d) allow the Company to utilize surplus energy optimization credits from 2011 and beyond to offset future renewable energy requirements.

All documents filed in this case shall be submitted electronically through the Commission's e-Document website at: miopscc.com. Requirements and instructions for filing can be found in the User Manual on the e-Document help page. Documents may also be submitted in Word or PDF format, as an attachment to an email sent to: caseandcomment@miopscc.com. If you require assistance prior to a filing, contact Commission staff at (517) 241-6100 or by email at: caseandcomment@miopscc.com.

Any person wishing to intervene and become a party to the case shall electronically file a written intervention with this Commission by July 27, 2012. (Interested persons may elect to file using the traditional paper format.) The period of service shall indicate service upon Consumers Energy's Legal Department-Regulatory Group, One Energy Plaza, Jackson, Michigan 49201.

Any person wishing to make a statement of opinion without becoming a party to the case may participate by filing an appearance. To file an appearance, the individual must attend the hearing and advise the presiding administrative law judge of his/her wish to make a statement of opinion. All information submitted to the Commission in this matter will become public information: available on the Michigan Public Service Commission's website, and subject to disclosure.

Requests for adjournment must be made pursuant to the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure R 400.17315 and R 400.17320. Requests for further information on adjournment should be directed to (517) 241-6000.

A copy of Consumers Energy's application may be reviewed on the Commission's website at: miopscc.com, and at the office of Consumers Energy Company, One Energy Plaza, Jackson, MI. For more information on how to participate in a case, you may contact the Commission at the above address or by telephone at (517) 241-6100.

Intervention is pursuant to 1909 PA 108, as amended, MCL 480.551 et seq.; 1919 PA 418, as amended, MCL 480.541 et seq.; 1939 PA 3, as amended, MCL 480.1 et seq.; 1952 PA 254, as amended, MCL 480.121 et seq.; 1962 PA 300, as amended, MCL 24.201 et seq.; 2008 PA 296, MCL 480.1001 et seq., and the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, as amended, 1989 AC, R 400.1701 et seq.

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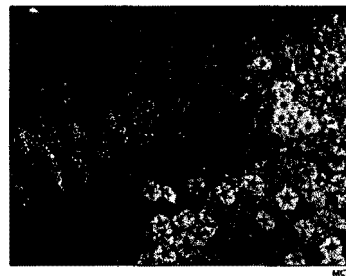
By Norman Winters
McClatchy-Tribune News Service

If you are looking for that special spiky texture of blooms to create interest and excitement in the garden, look no further than the *Serena angelonis*, or summer snapdragon.

kind of guy is changing his tune. I am seeing landscapers create their own mixes by using four or five of one color, such as blue next to clumps of white, pink, purple and lavender, and repeating the design throughout the planting.

because the market potential is huge. Right now, gardeners who are true plant lovers and commercial landscapers are driving the train. Get on board!

Please do not stick this wonderful plant in tight, concrete-like soil. Before you plant, incorporate two to three inches of organic matter into your bed, along with 2 pounds of a slow-release fertilizer with a 2-1-2 ratio.



Easy-to-grow spiky blue angelonia — summer snapdragon — makes a nice contrast with round hot pink petunias.

Garden calendar

Brentford's Butterfly Habitat: See the complete list... Garden Planning For the Fall Harvest: Learn how to sustain your garden... Birmingham in the Garden: Find the plants and products you need... LACASA's Garden Tour Weekend: Tour the Royal Oak Nature Society Arboretum... Michigan Golf and Pond Clubs 14th Annual Pool and Water Gardens: This self-guided tour features 10 beautiful settings in the Livonia, Westland and Garden City area.

Break some bad habits for container-garden glory

By Andy Hrevedez
Chicago Tribune

For the dozens of years Barbara Wise has been gardening as well as teaching and writing about gardening, she has watched plant lovers make the same mistakes.

They pick sun-loving annuals, then stick them in the shade. Put containers far away from a water source. Buy tiny plants destined to become voluminous bushes but stuff them in tiny containers.

So early in her new book, "Container Gardening for All Seasons" (Cool Springs Press, \$21.99), Wise reminds gardeners: "Plan before you plant" and offers up "The Ten Commandments of Container Gardening," including "Thou shalt let the sun guide you in everything you do."

"Forgo instant gratification. I know it kind of goes counter-culture to what our society is today, but wait and let it fill out. The reward for that is a summer-long beautiful container that's not overgrown, doesn't need to be watered three times a day and is a much healthier plant."

To help newly minted gardeners and veteran green thumbs steer clear of container calamities, Wise has packed her book with basics, whether the container is a window box or a massive urn plunked on a patio.

What really sets Wise's book apart are the 101 colorful seasonal container designs she presents, from "farm-fastic combos" (spring) to "beat the heat" (summer) to "winter party." She sets each out as a "recipe," including a sun preference, container size, difficulty level and alternatives for plants that may not be regionally available.

CONTAINER GARDENING BASICS FOR BARBARA WISE

Big bloomers: Summer annuals can get hungry, and "need a little fertilizer or bloom booster about once a month," Wise says. Since if a planter is in full sun, western sun or a hot blazing sun, "you're going to want to have a container that's large enough to hold 1 1/2 cubic feet of soil. That's not going to dry out so quickly."

With soil, instead of filling the bottom half with broken pots. "This is true in regions of the country with especially long growing seasons or if it's something you're going to carry in your pot for a long time."

NOTICE OF HEARING FOR THE ELECTRIC CUSTOMERS OF CONSUMERS ENERGY COMPANY CASE NO. U-16855

Consumers Energy Company and Michigan Public Service Commission approved to reauthorize its renewable energy plan for the period of January 1, 2011 through December 31, 2011.

DATE/TIME: July 16, 2012, at 8:00 a.m. The hearing will be a preliminary conference to set future hearing dates and discuss other procedural matters.

The Michigan Public Service Commission (Commission) will hold a public hearing to consider Consumers Energy Company's (Consumers Energy) June 29, 2012 application for approval to reauthorize its Renewable Energy Plan (REP) for the period of January 1, 2011 through December 31, 2011.

Any interested person may attend and participate. The hearing will be in-person, including hand-delivered testimony. Persons wishing to participate should contact the Commission's Executive Secretary at (517) 241-4100 in advance to request testimony, visual, hearing or other assistance.

Any person wishing to make a statement of position without becoming a party to the case may participate by filing an appearance. To file an appearance, the individual must attend the hearing and advise the presiding administrative law judge of their wish to make a statement of position. All information submitted to the Commission in this matter will become public information, available on the Michigan Public Service Commission's website, and subject to discovery.

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