

STATE OF MICHIGAN
BEFORE THE MICHIGAN PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the matter, on the Commission's own motion,)
to process extreme weather condition policies filed in)
compliance with Mich Admin Code, R 460.134 for)
approval.)
_____)

Case No. U-20140

At the August 28, 2018 meeting of the Michigan Public Service Commission in Lansing,
Michigan.

PRESENT: Hon. Sally A. Talberg, Chairman
 Hon. Norman J. Saari, Commissioner
 Hon. Rachael A. Eubanks, Commissioner

ORDER

On April 12, 2018, the Commission opened this docket and directed each regulated electric and natural gas utility to file an extreme weather condition policy in this docket by June 11, 2018 (April 12 order). Upon review of the extreme weather condition policies filed in the docket, the Commission Staff (Staff) contacted these utilities to request more information about the filed policies and asked that this supplemental information be filed in the docket by July 13, 2018. As noted in the April 12 order, the requirement for filing these policies resulted from the promulgation of Mich Admin Code, R 460.134 (Rule 34) of the Commission's Consumer Standards and Billing Practices for Electric and Natural Gas Service, which provides as follows:

R 460.134 Extreme weather condition policy.

Rule 34. (1) Within 6 months of the effective date of this rule, a utility shall adopt and submit an extreme weather condition policy to the commission for approval that provides, at a minimum, both of the following:

(a) The criteria or factors a utility follows in suspending disconnection of service to residential customers during extreme hot and cold weather.

(b) Any preferential treatment given to certain classes of residential customers.

(2) In the event of any subsequent changes to the extreme weather condition policy, a utility shall submit those changes to the commission for its review and approval.

As alluded to in Rule 34, these extreme weather condition policies involve suspending disconnection of utility service to customers during extremely hot and extremely cold weather. A chart summarizing each utility's extreme weather condition policy filed in this docket is appended as Exhibit A to this order for ease of reference. The Staff has reviewed each of the extreme weather condition policies filed in this docket, as well as the supplemental filings providing greater detail as to those policies, and has recommended that the Commission approve them. The Commission commends each utility for its timely compliance with the provisions of Rule 34(1) and the Commission's April 12 order, as well as its cooperation with the Staff in this matter. The Commission views the protection of utility customers during extreme weather events to be of paramount importance and applauds the efforts of those Staff members and utility personnel who worked diligently to review and further define these policies. Having reviewed each policy in accordance with Rule 34, and in light of the Staff's filing recommending approval, the Commission is satisfied that these extreme weather condition policies, in conjunction with other customer protections, will protect the safety of each utility's customers, and finds that they should be approved. Accordingly, the Commission approves each final extreme weather condition policy filed in this docket. In addition, the Commission directs that each utility that seeks to change its extreme weather condition policy in the future shall timely file its proposed amendments in this docket for further review and approval in accordance with Rule 34(2).

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that:

A. The revised and final extreme weather condition policies filed in this docket are approved.

B. Each utility is directed to timely file any proposed changes to its extreme weather condition policy in this docket for further Commission review and approval.

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

MICHIGAN PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Sally A. Talberg, Chairman

Norman J. Saari, Commissioner

Rachael A. Eubanks, Commissioner

By its action of August 28, 2018.

Kavita Kale, Executive Secretary

EXHIBIT A

E-Docket #	Utility	Approved Policy - Cold	Approved Policy - Warm	Extra Protections	Determination
U-20140-0025	Alpena Power Company	When weather forecast indicates temperatures could be 20°F or less (including wind chill) over the future seventy-two (72) hours, the company will not disconnect service to any customer.	When weather forecast indicates temperatures could be 90°F over the future seventy-two (72) hours, the company will not disconnect service to any customer.		Determinations are obtained from www.weather.com
U-20140-0008	Consumers Energy Company	Disconnection will delay or suspend manual and remote disconnections on days of extreme cold when actual temperatures below 15°F, and/or wind chills below 0°F.	Disconnection will delay or suspend manual and remote disconnections on days of extreme heat when actual temperatures over 90°F.		Determination will be used in three regional weather check points via website www.weather.com . Disconnects may vary or cancelled depending on impacted areas.
U-20140-0023	DTE Electric Company	The company will not perform any manual or remote disconnections when temperatures forecasts 15°F and below and/or wind chills below zero for 2 consecutive days or more.	The company will not perform any manual or remote disconnections when temperatures forecasts 90°F and above for 2 consecutive days or more.		Determination will be used in seven regional weather check points via website www.weather.com . Disconnects may vary or cancelled depending on impacted areas.

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U-20140-0024	DTE Gas Company	The company will not perform any manual or remote disconnections when temperatures forecasts 15°F and below and/or wind chills below zero for 2 consecutive days or more.	The company will not perform any manual or remote disconnections when temperatures forecasts 90°F and above for 2 consecutive days or more.		Determination will be used in seven regional weather check points via website www.weather.com . Disconnects may vary or cancelled depending on impacted areas.
U-20140-0022	Indiana-Michigan Power Co.	Disconnection is prohibited without personal contact with an adult member of the household if the temperature is forecasted to fall below 25°F within the next 24 hours.	Disconnection is prohibited without personal contact with an adult member of the household if the temperature is forecasted to rise above 95°F within the next 24 hours.		Determination will be used in three regions and checked daily through website www.weather.gov .

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U-20140-0020	Michigan Gas Utilities Corp.	When weather forecast indicates temperatures could be 15°F or less at any time during a given day for stations located within the service territory, the company will not disconnect service to any customer.		Disconnections will be suspended, regardless of the temperatures, when the local road authority closes the roads or issues winter weather advisories and/or restrictions for the company's designated service territory.	Determination will be conducted by the National Weather Service (NWS).
U-20140-0014	Northern States Power Co.- Electric	Suspension of disconnection where a winter weather advisory, winter weather warming or winter weather emergency has been issued until such national weather service notice has expired.	Suspension of disconnection where a heat advisory, heat warning or heat emergency has been issued until such national weather service notice has expired.	During the period of November 1 to April 15 the company will suspend disconnection of utility due to non-payment where for the primary heat source of the dwelling.	Determination will be validated using the National Weather Service.

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U-20140-0013	Northern States Power Co.- Gas	Suspension of disconnection where a winter weather advisory, winter weather warming or winter weather emergency has been issued until such national weather service notice has expired.	Suspension of disconnection where a heat advisory, heat warning or heat emergency has been issued until such national weather service notice has expired.	During the period of November 1 to April 15 the company will suspend disconnection of utility due to non-payment where for the primary heat source of the dwelling.	Determination will be validated using the National Weather Service.
U-20140-0028	Presque Isle Electric & Gas Co-op	Disconnection is prohibited without personal contact with an adult member of the household if the temperature is forecasted to fall below 25°F within the next 24 hours.	Disconnection is prohibited without personal contact with an adult member of the household if the temperature is forecasted to rise above 95°F within the next 24 hours.		Determination will be conducted by the National Weather Service (NOAA) www.weather.gov .

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U-20140-0017	SEMCO Energy Gas Company	When weather forecast is defined as any day where the high air temperature is less than 20°F. The disconnection will remain in place until the temperature of a subsequent day reached or exceed a high of 20°F.	Extreme heat is not considered for the purpose of suspending disconnection of natural gas service.		Determination will use NOAA as the weather source up to two days in advance. The weather forecast will be covering six different weather zones covering the company's service territory.
U-20140-0021	Upper Mich. Energy Resources Corp.	Disconnections will suspend service due when the maximum temperature for a given day to be 15°F or below for designated area(s).	Disconnections will suspend service due to a heat advisory, excessive heat watch, excessive heat warning or the Heat Index is 100°F or above for designated area(s).		Determination will use the National Weather Service (NWS) at www.noaa.gov . Company outlines each category within the docket. The company begins monitoring the Heat Index when the NWS predicts temperature to be 80°F or higher for three or more consecutive days.
U-20140-0027	Upper Peninsula Power Co.	When weather forecast will fall below 15°F within the next 48 hours, the disconnection shall not occur.	When weather forecast will rise above 95°F within the next 48 hours, the disconnection shall not occur.		Determination will be forecasted daily through www.weather.gov .

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U-20140-0015	Wisconsin Electric Power Co. "WEPCo's sole Michigan customer does not receive residential service."	A letter filed by the WEPCo. advising they will not be filing.			
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STATE OF MICHIGAN)

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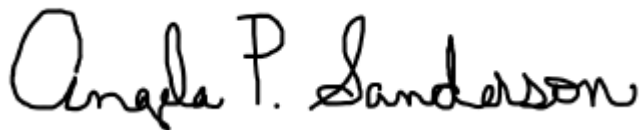
County of Ingham)

Lisa Felice being duly sworn, deposes and says that on August 28, 2018 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).



Lisa Felice

Subscribed and sworn to before me
this 28th day of August 2018



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