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**PARTICIPATION PLAN**

In an order issued on February 9, 2006 in Case No. U-14776, the Michigan Public Service Commission ("Commission") announced its plan to implement amended section 504 of the Michigan Telecommunications Act, which was signed into law on November 21, 2005. Section 504 reads:

Each telecommunications provider doing business in this state shall file with the commission a small and minority owned telecommunication business, as defined by the department of management and budget, participation plan no later than March 1, 2006. A new provider seeking to do business in this state shall file such a plan with the commission with its application for license. The plan shall contain the entity's plan for purchasing goods and services from small and minority telecommunications businesses and information on programs, if any, to provide technical assistance to small and minority telecommunications businesses.

MCL 484.2504.

The Commission concludes that to properly implement this provision as amended, all telecommunication service providers must file by **March 1, 2006** either a participation plan as described in the statute, or a verified statement that the provider already has such a plan on file with the Commission. The Commission directs that all documents filed in this case be submitted electronically through the MPSC Electronic Case Filings Web site at: <https://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/cgi-bin/efile/login.pl>.

Requirements and instructions for filing electronic documents can be found in the Electronic Case Filings Users Manual at: <http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/pdfs/usersmanual.pdf>.

An application for account and letter of assurance, required of all first-time users, are located at: <http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/pdfs/assurance.pdf>. If you require assistance prior to e-filing, contact the Commission staff at 517-241-6170 or by e-mail at: [mpscfilecases@michigan.gov](mailto:mpscfilecases@michigan.gov).

### PENDING LEGISLATION

The following is a list of active telecommunications bills that have been introduced during the current legislative session. Copies of bills and public acts referred to in this column may be obtained by contacting your state senator or representative, on the Michigan Legislature Web site, <<http://www.michiganlegislature.org/>> or from the Legislative Service Bureau Document Room at (517) 373-0169.

<b>Senate Bill # Senator</b>	<b>Date Introduced</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Status</b>
SB 48 Johnson	1/25/05	State; authorities; issuance of bonds for equipment associated with telecommunications on the campuses of Michigan institutions of higher education with lease options back to the institutions and the state; provide for. Amends sec. 7 of 1964 PA 183 (MCL 830.417).	To Senate Committee on Appropriations
SB 58 Cherry	1/25/05	Communications; telecommunications; 9-1-1 system to pinpoint caller location; provide for. Amends 1986 PA 32 (MCL 484.1101 – 484.1717) by adding sec. 408a	To Senate Committee on Technology and Energy
SB 127 Hardiman	2/1/05	Communications; cellular telephone; customer consent to list numbers in a cell phone directory; require. Amends 1991 PA 179 (MCL 484.2101 - 484.2701) by adding sec. 360a.	Senate: 2/7/06 Placed on order of third reading; 2/8 Amendments withdrawn
SB 221 McManus	2/17/05	Income tax; credit; tax credit for placement of a cell phone tower on an individual's property located in an underserved area; provide for. Amends 1967 PA 281 (MCL 206.1 - 206.532) by adding sec. 262.	5/25/05 passed Senate with Sub S-2, yeas 27, nays 9, excused 2, not voting 0; 5/25/05 referred to Committee on Tax Policy

SB 222 Barcia	2/17/05	Single business tax; credit; tax credit for companies that construct cell phone towers in rural areas; establish. Amends 1975 PA 228 (MCL 208.1 – 208.145) by adding sec. 35c.	5/25/05 passed Senate with Sub S-1, yeas 28, nays 9, excused 1, not voting 0; referred to House Committee on Tax Policy
SB 224 Van Woerkom	2/17/05	Communications; telecommunications; broadband development authority; require to designate a certain amount of financial assistance to rural underserved areas. Amends sec. 7 of 2002 PA 49 (MCL 484.3207).	6/7/05 passed, yeas 32, nays 2, excused 4, not voting 0; referred to House Committee on Energy and Technology
SB 528 Johnson	5/24/05	Communications; telecommunications; regulation of telecommunications industry; eliminate. Creates new act.	To Senate Committee on Technology and Energy
SB 595 Switalski	6/16/05	Use tax; rate; certain telecommunication services and motion picture films; include in taxable items. Amends sec. 3a of 1937 PA 94 (MCL 205.93a).	6/16 referred to Senate Committee on Appropriations
SB 737 Thomas III	9/6/05	Traffic control; violations; use of cellular telephone while operating a vehicle driving in a left lane of a highway; prohibit and provide penalties. Amends 1949 PA 300 (MCL 257.1 – 257.923) by adding sec. 682c.	To Senate Committee on Transportation; 11/9/05 reported favorably with recommendation for referral to Committee on Technology and Energy
SB 754 Brown	9/13/05	Communications; telecommunications; general amendments; provide for. Amends secs. 102, 202, 208 & 304 of 1991 PA 179 (MCL 484.2102 et seq.) & repeals sec. 304b of 1991 PA 179 (MCL 484.2304b).	10/11/05 Passed roll call –Yeas 38 Nays 0 Excused 0 not voting 0; 10/12/05 referred to House Committee on Energy and Technology
SB 806 Patterson	10/11/05	Public utilities; public service commission; regulation of public service commission; establish.	To Senate Committee on Technology and Energy
SB 814 Patterson	10/18/05	Traffic control; civil infraction procedures; points added to driver license record when determined that use of cellular telephone contributed to cause of traffic violation; provide for, and prohibit novice drivers from using handheld cellular telephones while operating a motor vehicle.	10/19/05 Reassigned to Senate Committee on Technology and Energy

SB 885 Hardiman	11/10/05	Crimes; other; damaging, destroying, or preventing access to telecommunication device to prevent report of domestic violence or to summon assistance required as a result of domestic violence; prohibit and provide penalties. Amends 1931 PA 328 (MCL 750.1 - 750.568) by adding sec. 411u.	To Senate Committee on Judiciary
SB 1024 Hardiman	02/01/06	Crimes; other; damaging, destroying, or preventing access to telecommunication device to prevent report of domestic violence, report of crime, or report of illness or injury; prohibit and provide penalties. Amends sec. 540 of 1931 PA 328 (MCL 750.540). TIE BAR WITH: HB 5043'05 HB 5044'05	2/9/06 Placed on Order of third reading with Substitute S-3
SB 0960	1/18/06	Communications; telecommunications; transfer of funds from the CMRS emergency telephone fund to the general fund; provide for. Amends sec. 408 of 1986 PA 32 (MCL 484.1408).	2/15/06 passed roll call #83, yeas 33, nays 4, excused 0, not voting 0; referred to House Committee on Appropriations
SCR 0021 Patterson	5/18/05	A concurrent resolution to urge the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) to use its authority post haste to require that Voice Over Internet Protocol (VOIP) service providers make enhanced 9-1-1 emergency call services available to all customers.	To Senate Committee on Technology and Energy

House Bill # Representative	Date Introduced	Description	Status
HB 4050 Lemmons III	1/27/05	Corrections; state facilities; telephone system for state correctional facilities; impose requirements. Amends 1953 PA 232, entitled "Corrections code of 1953," (MCL 791.201 to 791.283) by adding section 69b.	To House Committee on Judiciary
HB 4052 Lemmons III	1/27/05	Trade; consumer goods and services; sale of cellular telephones and pagers to a minor; require written parental consent. A bill to prohibit the sale of cellular telephones and pagers to certain minors without written parental consent; and to prescribe civil sanctions.	To House Committee on Judiciary

HB 4067 Schuitmaker	1/27/05	Communications; telecommunications; requirement for timely transfer of customers from 1 provider to another; provide for. A bill to amend 1991 PA 179, entitled "Michigan telecommunications act," (MCL 484.2101 to 484.2701) by adding section 364.	To House Committee on Energy and Technology
HB 4397 Sak	2/23/05	Communications; telecommunications; cell phone numbers listed with directory assistance; provide for. Amends sec. 309 of 1991 PA 179 (MCL 484.2309).	To House Committee on Energy and Technology
HB 4563 Garfield	3/24/05	A bill to repeal 2002 PA 49, entitled "Michigan broadband development authority act," (MCL 484.3201 to 484.3225).	To House Committee on Energy and Technology
HB 4600 Drolet	4/13/05	Communications; telecommunications; regulation of telecommunications industry; eliminate. Creates new act entitled the "communications act" to be effective 01/01/06. A bill to promote deployment of and investment in communications services in this state; and to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state agencies and officials.	To House Committee on Energy and Technology
HB 4952 Miller	6/16/05	Use tax; rate; certain telecommunication services and motion picture films; include in taxable items. Amends sec. 3a of 1937 PA 94 (MCL 205.93a).	To House Committee on Tax Policy
HB 5115 Bieda	9/6/05	Environmental protection; recycling; collection for recycling or disposal of used cellular telephones by retailers; require. Amends 1994 PA 451 (MCL 324.101 - 324.90106) by adding pt. 175.	To Committee on Natural Resources, Great Lakes, Land Use, and Environment
HB 5122 Vander Veen	9/6/05	Trade; antitrust; refusals to deal by providers of electronic data interchange and value added network services; prohibit. Amends title & sec. 1 of 1984 PA 274 (MCL 445.771) & adds sec. 3a.	To Committee on Energy and Technology
HB 5133 Law	9/7/05	Traffic control; violations; use of cell phone while operating a vehicle by an individual in the graduated licensing program; prohibit and establish penalties. Amends sec. 907 of 1949 PA 300 (MCL 257.907) & adds sec. 602b.	10/20/05 passed House; given immediate effect; Roll Call # 524 Yeas 78 Nays 27; 10/25/05 referred to House Committee on Technology and Energy

HB 5272 Elsenheimer	10/06/05	Communications; telecommunications; disclosure of early termination fees or penalties; require.	To Committee on Energy and Technology
HB 5392 Kolb	11/1/05	Disabilities; accessible electronic information service; establish and provide funding source. Creates new act.	To Committee on Energy and Technology
HB 5043 Schuitmaker	07/07/05	Crimes; malicious destruction; damaging, destroying, or using telephone or computer equipment without authorization; prohibit and provide a penalty. Amends sec. 540 of 1931 PA 328 (MCL 750.540).	2/9/06 Placed on order of Third reading with Substitute S-1
HB 5483 Pearce	12/6/05	Traffic control; civil infraction procedures; points added to driver license record when determined that use of cellular telephone contributed to cause of traffic violation; provide for, and prohibit novice drivers from using handheld cellular telephones while operating a motor vehicle. Amends secs. 320a & 907 of 1949 PA 300 (MCL 257.320a & 257.907) & adds sec. 602b.	To Committee on Energy and Technology
HB 5488 Farhat	12/7/05	Public utilities; other; pole attachment authority; establish. Amends sec. 6g of <a href="#">1939 PA 3</a> (MCL <a href="#">460.6g</a> ).	To Committee on Energy and Technology

### **PUBLIC ACTS OF 2005**

Listed below are Public Acts related to telecommunications that have been passed during the current legislative session (2005-2006). Copies of public acts may be obtained by contacting your state senator or representative, on the Michigan Legislature Web site, <<http://www.michiganlegislature.org/>> or from the Legislative Service Bureau Document Room at (517) 373-0169.

Public Act No.	Effective Date	Description	Enrolled Bill No. and Sponsor
2005 PA 58	6/30/05	Communications; telecommunications; rule making and eliminate sunset of the Michigan telecommunications act; provide for. Repeals enacting section 1 of 2004 PA 591.	SB 551 Patterson
2005 PA 103	07/22/05	Public utilities, other; use of highway by public utilities; provide for under certain conditions. Amends sec. 13 of 1925 PA 368 (MCL 247.183).	SB 522 McManus

2005 PA 235	11/22/05	Communications; telecommunications; general amendments; provide for. Amends secs. 101, 102, 103, 201, 202, 203, 203a, 204, 205, 210, 213, 214, 301, 302, 303, 304, 305, 306, 307, 309, 309a, 310, 312, 314a, 315, 316, 316a, 317, 321, 352, 353, 355, 357, 358, 359, 401, 502, 503, 504, 505 & 604 of 1991 PA 179 (MCL 484.2101 et seq.); adds secs. 211a, 252, 301a, 305a, 305b, 310a, 314b & 353a & repeals (See bill).	HB 5237  Nofs
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### ORDERS

**Note: Orders issued on February 21, 2006 at 1:30 pm.**

**Case No. U-11596**

**AT&T Michigan, f/k/a SBC Michigan, and Qwest Communications Corporation, f/k/a LCI International Telecom Corporation Application filed January 30, 2006 for approval of a second amendment to an interconnection agreement (TRO/TRRO)**

**Case No. U-12627**

**AT&T Michigan, f/k/a SBC Michigan, and New Edge Network, Inc. Application filed January 27, 2006 for an eighth amendment to an interconnection agreement (TRO/TRRO)**

**Case No. U-13801**

**AT&T Michigan, f/k/a SBC Michigan, and Access One Inc. Application filed February 1, 2006 for approval of a second amendment to an interconnection agreement (TRO/TRRO)**

**Case No. U-13805**

**AT&T Michigan, f/k/a SBC Michigan, and grid4 Communications Inc. Application filed February 7, 2006 for approval of the third amendment to an interconnection agreement (optional advanced services)**

**Case No. U-14003**

**AT&T Michigan, f/k/a SBC Michigan, and Waypoint Telecommunications, LLC, d/b/a Waypoint Fiber Networks Application filed February 3, 2006 for an eighth amendment to an interconnection agreement (TRO/TRRO)**

**Case No. U-14058**

**AT&T Michigan, f/k/a SBC Michigan, and  
CAT Communications International, Inc.**

**Application filed February 1, 2006 for approval of a tenth  
amendment to an interconnection agreement (TRO/TRRO)**

**Case No. U-14176**

**AT&T Michigan, f/k/a SBC Michigan, and  
Cinergy Communications Company**

**Application filed February 3, 2006 for approval of a third  
amendment to an interconnection agreement (TRO/TRRO)**

**Case No. U-14640**

**AT&T Michigan, f/k/a SBC Michigan,  
and Lightyear Network Solutions, LLC**

**Application filed January 27, 2006 for a second amendment to an  
interconnection agreement (TRO/TRRO)**

**Case No. U-14741**

**Verizon North Inc. and Contel of the South, Inc., d/b/a Verizon  
North Systems, and Navigator Telecommunications, L.L.C.**

**Application filed January 5, 2006 for approval of an interconnection  
agreement and first and second amendments**

**Case No. U-14755**

**Verizon North Inc. and Contel of the South, Inc., d/b/a Verizon North Systems,  
and Pac-West Telecomm Inc**

**Application filed January 17, 2006 for approval of an  
interconnection agreement**

**Case No. U-14768**

**AT&T Michigan, f/k/a SBC Michigan, and Osirus Communications Inc**

**Application filed January 30, 2006 for an interconnection agreement  
(adoption pursuant to 47 USC 252(i) of the agreement approved on  
December 3, 2003 in Case No. U-13758)**

**Case No. U-14770**

**AT&T Michigan, f/k/a SBC Michigan, and Pac-West Telecomm Inc**

**Application filed January 31, 2006 for an interconnection agreement  
(adoption pursuant to 47 USC 252(i) of the agreement approved on  
February 24, 2005 in Case No. U-14413)**

**Case No. U-14774**

**France Telecom Corporate Solutions, L.L.C., and Verizon North Inc  
and Contel of the South, Inc., d/b/a Verizon North Systems**

**Application filed February 2, 2006 for approval of an interconnection agreement**

**Case No. U-14775**

**Covista, Inc., and Verizon North Inc. and Contel of the South Inc  
d/b/a Verizon North Systems**

**Application filed February 2, 2006 for approval of an  
interconnection agreement and first and second amendments (TRO/TRRO)**

On February 21, 2006 the Michigan Public Service Commission ("Commission") issued an order approving the interconnection agreements and amendments listed above.

**Case No. U-14678**

**Ace Telephone Co, Barry Telephone Co,  
Deerfield Farmers' Telephone Co, Kaleva Telephone Co,  
Lennon Telephone Co, Ogden Telephone Co, Pigeon Telephone Co,  
the Upper Peninsular Telephone Co, and Waldron Telephone Co  
(interconnection agreement: arbitration with Verizon)**

**Case No. U-14781**

**Commission's Own Motion  
(TSLRIC studies: Michigan Exchange Carriers Association)**

On February 21, 2006 the Michigan Public Service Commission ("Commission") issued an order in the above combined docket adopting the January 23, 2006 Decision of the Arbitration Panel, with one modification, and commencing a proceeding in Case No. U-14781 to investigate and review the total service long run incremental costs of the petitioners. Further, the Commission directs the petitioners to file documents and testimony by June 30, 2006 in Case No. U-14781 to support cost studies of their total service long run incremental costs, and directs the parties within 30 days to submit an executed copy of an interconnection agreement conforming to this order.

**Case No. U-14720**

**McLeodUSA Telecommunications Services Inc v  
Charter Township of Commerce  
(right-of-way permit dispute)**

On February 21, 2006 the Michigan Public Service Commission ("Commission") issued an order adopting the recommendation of the Mediator by revising paragraph 6.1.2. of the form permit between the parties to make the purchase and maintenance of sudden and accidental environmental contamination insurance in the amount of \$500,000 contingent upon the decision of McLeodUSA Telecommunications Services, Inc. to place any new or existing telecommunications facilities underground within the rights-of-way of the Charter Township of Commerce, with the clarification that the obligation to purchase the environmental insurance arises if underground activities are planned, as "there is a significant difference in the environment risks presented by aerial and buried lines."

**Case No. U-14746**

**Maria Lynn Bonnani v Talk America Inc and SunRocket  
(consumer complaint: unauthorized disconnection of service)**

On February 21, 2006 the Michigan Public Service Commission ("Commission") issued an order dismissing with prejudice the complaint of Maria Lynn Bonnani against Talk America, Inc. and

SunRocket, alleging unauthorized disconnection of phone service in violation of the Michigan Telecommunications Act. Complainant had filed letters requesting to withdraw the complaint against Talk America, Inc. and SunRocket.

**Case No. U-14771**  
**The Winn Telephone Co**  
**(amended license)**

On February 21, 2006 the Michigan Public Service Commission ("Commission") issued an order temporarily amending the license of The Winn Telephone Company, d/b/a Winn Telecom, to provide basic local exchange service to include all exchanges currently served by Verizon North Inc. and Contel of the South, Inc., d/b/a Verizon North Systems, and AT&T Michigan, f/k/a SBC Michigan.

**Minute Action**  
**AT&T Michigan      517R41-0001-067-9**  
**Verizon                M19NZMTS911 and M19NGMTS911**

On February 21, 2006 the Michigan Public Service Commission ("Commission") approved the following minute action.

“Adopt and issue minute dated February 21, 2006 finding that AT&T Michigan invoice 517R41-0001-067-9 and Verizon invoices M19NZMTS911 and M19NGMTS911 are for wireless emergency service costs that are recoverable pursuant to 2003 PA 244, MCL 484.1408(11), and consistent with the Commission’s order dated June 29, 2004 in Case No. U-14000. The Commission recommends approval of the attached invoices for reimbursement by the Emergency Telephone Service Committee.”

**NOTICES OF HEARING**

*Unless otherwise noted, all hearings are held at the offices of the Michigan Public Service Commission, 6545 Mercantile Way, Suite 7, Lansing, Michigan.*

*Note: No notices of hearing have been issued by the MPSC in the past two-week period.*

**PSC HEARINGS SCHEDULE**

*Note: Unless indicated otherwise, hearings are held in the offices of the Commission, 6545 Mercantile Way, Suite 7, Lansing.*

**Telecom Hearings Scheduled for Last Week February 13-17, 2006)**

none scheduled

**Telecom Hearings Scheduled for This Week February 20 - 24, 2006)**

none scheduled

**Future Telecom Hearings Scheduled**

none scheduled

## APPLICATIONS AND COMPLAINTS

### **Case No. U-11830**

#### **Ameritech Michigan**

##### **(performance measurements, benchmarks and reporting)**

On February 9, 2006 AT&T Michigan filed with the Michigan Public Service Commission ("Commission") a petition for rehearing and reconsideration of that portion of the Commission's January 10, 2006 Opinion and Order that deals with AT&T Michigan's motion to dismiss, grant dismissal as requested in that motion, and terminate the contested case proceedings in this docket. AT&T Michigan claims that "[a]ction by the Legislature and the Governor resulting in the newly-enacted Michigan Telecommunications Act has superseded this proceeding with a mandatory rulemaking process," which "empowers and directs the Commission to adopt new quality standards for provision of unbundled network elements ("UNEs") and interconnection, including remedies for violation of those standards, through rules that will apply on an industry-wide basis." Further, AT&T Michigan claims that the Legislature has "expressly rejected any alternate approach, including contested case hearings" and that "the Commission's January 10 Order . . . and ongoing contested case proceedings cannot be reconciled with this new legislation mandating that the Commission resolve UNE and interconnection performance measurement issues through rules that will apply on an industry-wide basis.

### **Case No. U-14524**

#### **OnFiber Carrier Services Inc and AT&T Michigan**

##### **(interconnection agreement)**

On February 15, 2006 OnFiber Carrier Services, Inc. and AT&T Michigan jointly applied to the Michigan Public Service Commission ("Commission") for approval of the First Amendment to their Interconnection Agreement approved by the Commission on June 7, 2005 ("Agreement"). The parties state that the First Amendment incorporates into the Agreement terms and conditions mandated by the Commission in its order issued September 20, 2005 in Case No. U-14447 (TRO/TRRO Order).

### **Case No. U-14725**

#### **Commission's Own Motion**

##### **(designation of state 2-1-1 coordinating agency: Michigan 2-1-1)**

On February 17, 2006 Michigan 2-1-1 applied to the Michigan Public Service Commission ("Commission") for designation as the state 2-1-1 coordinating agency, pursuant to section 214(5) of 2005 PA 235, which directs the Commission to designate the coordinating agency and the Commission's order of December 20, 2005, which outlined the application process and set forth the deadline for application. Michigan 2-1-1 states it "is a Michigan nonprofit corporation with I.R.C. § 501(c)(3) tax exempt status organized for the basic purpose of serving as the central entity for the 2-1-1 telephone system with its primary office in Lansing, Michigan."

**Case No. U-14783**  
**B&S Telecom Inc and AT&T Michigan**  
**(interconnection agreement)**

On February 10, 2005 B&S Telecom, Inc. and AT&T Michigan jointly applied to the Michigan Public Service Commission ("Commission") for approval of their Interconnection Agreement executed as of February 6, 2006. The parties state that B&S Telecom, Inc. requested to adopt the interconnection agreement dated September 15, 2004 between Quick Communications, Inc. and AT&T Michigan that was approved by the Commission in an order issued on October 14, 2004 in Case No. U-14301, including the First, Second, Third and Fourth Amendments.

**Case No. U-14786**  
**Upper Peninsula Telephone Co and New-Cell Inc**  
**(interconnection agreement)**

On February 10, 2006 Upper Peninsula Telephone Company and New-Cell, Inc., d/b/a Cellcom ("Cellcom"), jointly applied to the Michigan Public Service Commission ("Commission") for approval of their Interconnection and Reciprocal Compensation Agreement. The parties state that Cellcom requested to adopt in its entirety the provisions, terms and conditions set forth in the interconnection agreement between American Cellular Company and Upper Peninsula Telephone Company, which was approved by the Commission on December 20, 2001 in Case No. U-13147, including any Commission-approved amendments.

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**PSC NOTICES OF OPPORTUNITY FOR COMMENT**

**Case No. U-14771**  
**Winn Telephone Company**  
**(amended license)**

On January 31, 2006, Winn Telephone Company (Winn) filed an application with the Michigan Public Service Commission ("Commission") for approval to amend the geographic area of its license to provide basic local exchange service. Winn requests authority to serve all zones and exchange areas currently served by Verizon North Inc., Contel of the South, Inc., d/b/a Verizon North Systems, and Michigan Bell Telephone Company, d/b/a AT&T Michigan in the state of Michigan. On February 15, 2006 the Commission directed Winn to issue notice of its request by March 15, 2006. Written and electronic comments may be filed with the Commission and must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. on March 31, 2006. Written comments should be sent to the: Executive Secretary, Michigan Public Service Commission, P.O. Box 30221, Lansing, Michigan 48909. Electronic comments may be emailed to: [mpscefilecases@michigan.gov](mailto:mpscefilecases@michigan.gov). All comments should reference Case No. U-14771. Comments received in this matter will become public information.

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**2006 REGULAR MPSC MEETING DATES\***

<i>Month &amp; Date</i>	<i>Day</i>	<i>Time</i>
March 14	Tuesday	1:30 p.m.
April 4	Tuesday	1:30 p.m.
April 25	Tuesday	1:30 p.m.
May 9	Tuesday	1:30 p.m.
May 23	Tuesday	1:30 p.m.
June 13	Tuesday	1:30 p.m.
June 27	Tuesday	1:30 p.m.
July 11	Tuesday	1:30 p.m.
July 25	Tuesday	1:30 p.m.
August 8	Tuesday	1:30 p.m.
August 22	Tuesday	1:30 p.m.
September 12	Tuesday	1:30 p.m.
September 26	Tuesday	1:30 p.m.
October 12	Thursday	1:30 p.m.
October 24	Tuesday	1:30 p.m.
November 9	Thursday	1:30 p.m.
December 12	Tuesday	1:30 p.m.
December 21	Thursday	1:30 p.m.

*\* Additional Special Meetings may be scheduled, as needed, on 18-hours notice as permitted by Section 5(4) of the Michigan Open Meetings Act, MCL 15.265(4). Agendas for all Regular and Special Meetings will be posted on 18 hours notice. A posted agenda is subject to amendment as determined by the Commission. Any person with a question about a Regular or a Special Meeting of the Michigan Public Service Commission may make an inquiry by calling the Commission's Executive Secretary at (517) 241-6160.*

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