

UTILITY CONSUMER PARTICIPATION BOARD

June 4, 2018 12:30 p.m.
Michigan Library & Historical Center
1st Floor, Lake Superior Room
702 W. Kalamazoo St., Lansing, MI
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Present: Jim MacInnes (Chairperson), Paul Isely (Board Member), Brian Vilmont (Board Member), Sam Passmore (Board Member), Kelly Jo Kitchen (Board Assistant), Chris Bzdok (MEC), Susan Haroutunian (Board Member), Don Keskey (RCG and GLREA), Jim Wilson (LARA), Douglas Jester (CARE), John Liskey (CARE), Jim Ault (Michigan Electric and Gas Association), Ed Haroutunian (Public), Brian Coyer (RCG), Michelle Rison (RCG)

I. Call to Order and Roll Call of Members 12:50

- a. Approval of Agenda (including consent items) and minutes from 4/9/2018.

Moved: Paul Isely, Seconded: Brian Vilmont
Discussion
Motion carried

II. Business Items

- a. LARA Budget Update: Discussion regarding what is still owed to the Attorney General.

- b. Attorney General: No report

c. MEC:

- Request #12 – DTE Voluntary Renewal Plan, Case No. U-18352 for \$10,100.00 Transfer for funds from U-18232

Moved: Paul Isley, Seconded: Susan Haroutunian
Discussion
Motion Carried

- Request #13 – CECO Rate Case 2018, Case No. U-20134 for \$21,210.00 (only \$15,150 in new funds)

Moved: Paul Isley, Seconded: Brian Vilmont
Discussion: Monies coming from unencumbered funds from MEC need to come back into the UCRF before funds are released for cases #13, #14, and #15
Motion Carried contingent upon funds released from other cases.

- Request #14 – Consumers Energy Section 6t IRP, Case No. U-20165 for \$15,150.00

Moved: Paul Isley, Seconded: Brian Vilmont
Discussion
Motion Carried contingent upon funds released from other cases.

- Request #15 – DTE Gas 2018 GCR Plan, Case No. U-18412 for \$15,150

Moved: Paul Isley, Seconded: Brian Vilmont
Discussion: legal funds requested only, expert is being paid through MEC.
Motion Carried contingent upon funds released from other cases

d. CARE:

- Request – UPPCO IRP (TBD) for \$15,000 to start, whole project from \$30,000 to \$50,000

Moved: Paul Isley, Seconded: Sam Passmore
Discussion: This case will overlap next fiscal year.
Motion Carried

e. RCG

- Request – CECO Rate Case 2018, Case No. U-20134 for \$18,180

Moved: Paul Isley, Seconded: Sam Passmore
Discussion: Regarding two grantees in the same case and the different issues they each will pursue.
Motion Carried

- Request - CECO PSCR-R Case No. U-20068 for \$8,484

Moved: Paul Isley, Seconded: Susan Haroutunian
Discussion:
Motion Carried

- Request - CECO and DTE gas and electric credit B refunds from the TCJA stemming from U-18494 for \$909.00

Moved: Susan Haroutunian, Seconded: Brian Vilmont
Discussion: Should the board focus on their long term priorities as opposed to this one time issue, the Attorney General will be in these cases.
Motion Denied

III. Reports

a. Grantees

MEC: DTE U-18255, The Commission issued a final order in the DTE Electric general rate case on April 18, 2018. DTE Electric sought a rate increase of \$230.7 million annually. The Commission approved a rate increase of \$65.2 million.

CARE: Tax case for UPPCO, working on negotiations with UPPCO the outcome for ratepayers is looking positive. CARE discussed Dale Osborn's memo regarding transmission.

RCG: Tax credit cases: DTE settled, CECO settlement was attempted, but could not be achieved. Commission wants to decide cases around July 1st.

IV. Public Comment

V. Next meeting: August 6, 2018

VI. Adjournment
