

Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs  
Public Service Commission  
Administrative Rules for Technical Standards for Electric Service  
Rule Set 2021-77 LR

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Thursday, December 9, 2021

10:30 AM

Lake Michigan Room or Microsoft Teams <https://bit.ly/3CIO2b8>

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The Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs will hold a public hearing to receive public comments on proposed changes to the Technical Standards for Electric Service rule set.

These rules apply to electric utility service provided by utilities that are subject to the jurisdiction of the Public Service Commission. The rules are intended to promote safe and adequate electric service to the public, to provide standards for uniform and reasonable electric practices by utilities, and to encourage efficiency and safety. The word “electric” is being inserted in front of “utility” and the word “cooperative” is being added after “utility” in every rule that is being amended to clarify that these rules apply to electric utilities and cooperatives, only, and not alternative electric suppliers. Several new definitions are being added to R 460.3102 to assist with clarification. R 460.3308 is being updated to reflect the most up-to-date version of the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) standards for electricity meters, and the prices for copies of the ANSI standards need to be updated to reflect current prices. R 460.3309 is being stricken so that it may be moved to the Michigan Public Service Commission’s “Consumer Standards and Billing Practices for Electrical and Gas Residential Service” rules. R 460.3411 is being updated to allow the utilities and new customers a meeting, which provides a better opportunity to discuss new service options. R 460.3505 is being updated to create a more detailed program for customer notification regarding tree-trimming activities. R 460.3506 is being added to ensure that utilities are employing sufficient and effective cybersecurity programs. R 460.3613 is being amended to update and clarify meter testing requirements. R 460.3613a is being added to provide a separate rule for electro-mechanical meter testing requirements. The documentation and reporting requirements in R 460.3203, 460.3615, and 460.3617 are being updated. And, language in several rules is being stricken because it involves obsolete technology. The proposed changes to these rules is supported by the Michigan Public Service Commission and by regulated industry.

By authority conferred on the public service commission by section 7 of 1909 PA 106, MCL 460.557, section 2 of 1909 PA 300, MCL 462.2, section 5 of 1919 PA 419, MCL 460.55, sections 4 and 6 of 1939 PA 3, MCL 460.4 and 460.6, and sections 3, 9, and 231 of the Executive organization act of 1965, 1965 PA 380, MCL 16.103, 16.109, 16.331, and Executive Reorganization Order Nos. 1996-2, 2003-1, 2008-4, and 2011-4, MCL 445.2001, 445.2011, 445.2025, and 445.2030.

The proposed rules will take effect immediately after filing with the Secretary of State. The proposed rules are published on the State of Michigan's website at [www.michigan.gov/ARD](http://www.michigan.gov/ARD) and in the 11/15/2021 issue of the Michigan Register. Copies of these proposed rules may also be obtained by mail or electronic mail at the following email address: [mpscdockets@michigan.gov](mailto:mpscdockets@michigan.gov).

Comments on these proposed rules may be made at the hearing, by mail, or by electronic mail at the following addresses until 1/6/2022 at 05:00PM.

Michigan Public Service Commission, Executive Secretary, Case No. U-20630

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The public hearing will be conducted in compliance with the 1990 Americans with Disabilities Act. If the hearing is held at a physical location, the building will be accessible with handicap parking available. Anyone needing assistance to take part in the hearing due to disability may call 517-284-8090 to make arrangements.