



2026 Energy Supply Plan

Consumers Energy

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Powering the Next Generation in Michigan

Affordable, all-of-the-above approach will meet Michigan's energy needs today and for years to come.

Consumers Energy is filing its Energy Supply Plan with the Michigan Public Service Commission. This is our 20-year blueprint to deliver affordable and reliable energy for Michigan through a balanced mix of energy sources.

The plan gives customers, communities and all stakeholders clear visibility into our long-term strategy as Michigan's energy needs grow. It reflects an all-of-the-above approach: expanding clean and renewable resources, adding flexible on-demand generation, strengthening nationally recognized customer programs and supporting Michigan communities through local investment and job creation.

-  **New power sources:** Over 19 gigawatts of expanded renewable and clean energy resources, including solar, wind and battery storage.
-  **Reliable, on-demand capacity:** Two new natural gas plants at existing industrial sites in Bay and Genesee counties, totaling 1.4 gigawatts and proposed to be in service in 2031.
-  **Customer savings:** Consumers Energy is committed to putting forward the most affordable energy plan we can — the lowest-cost plan that both delivers reliable service and meets Michigan's clean energy law targets. This all-of-the-above plan keeps costs rising less than the rate of inflation of 3% while investing in the new resources Michigan needs.
-  **Purchasing power:** Two contracts to purchase power from third-party sources – a clean resource contract to meet Michigan's clean energy standards and a new agreement to purchase power from a natural gas plant in Midland to support our customers' reliability needs.
-  **Community investment:** Thousands of construction jobs, hundreds of permanent positions and growing Michigan's tax base from energy projects.

Our Energy Supply At A Glance

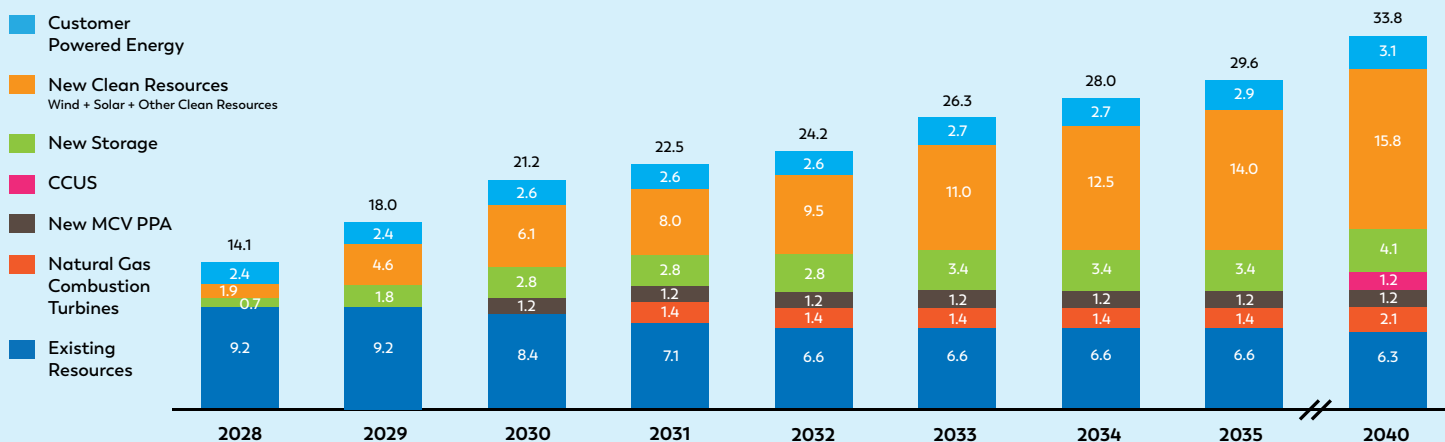
Our Energy Supply Plan combines dependable, fast-start resources with a major expansion of renewable and clean energy options. This balance increases system flexibility and protects reliability, while also complying with Michigan’s 2023 Energy Law.

Resource	Role	Detail
Solar, wind and battery storage	Expand clean and capacity	Over 19 GW of new renewable and clean resources
Natural gas at Karn and Thetford	Provide fast, reliable power when needed	456 MW at Karn and 919 MW at Thetford, using existing industrial sites and grid infrastructure
Power Purchase Agreements	Add reliable capacity and emissions-free long term energy	Agreements to support Michigan customers
Pumped storage and hydro resources	Store and dispatch energy	Long-term arrangements include a 30-year agreement to buy power from dams
Energy waste reduction and demand response	Help customers control monthly bills and support the grid	Customers have saved \$8.5 billion since 2009 and are projected to save \$18 billion by 2050



Plan Highlights

Total Portfolio, Existing & Incremental Resources Nameplate Capacity (GW)



The Energy Supply Plan provides a practical path to serve customers in every hour and every season while continuing the transition to cleaner resources.

New Michigan power sources

More than 19 GW of expanded renewable and clean energy resources, supported by 1.4 GW of new natural gas generation.

Affordability and reliability

Prioritize the lowest-cost source available at any time while maintaining reliable service.

Existing sites for new generation

Repurpose existing industrial sites at Karn and Thetford to reduce land impacts and leverage existing grid infrastructure.

Continued clean energy progress

Achieve targets set in Michigan's 2023 Energy Law through renewable resources, battery storage, and a clean resource contract.

Customer-centered programs

Strengthen Energy Waste Reduction, Demand Response and other programs that help customers save money and improve reliability.

Community investment

Support communities through taxes, construction jobs, permanent positions and new energy infrastructure.

Growth planning

Prepare for customer growth, electric vehicles, economic development, distributed generation and more.

Transparent process

Continue stakeholder engagement through outreach events, giving opportunities for our customers to weigh in.

Reliability: Energy When Michigan Needs It

Our plan takes a balanced and diversified approach to ensure dependable service in all conditions. Efficient, fast-start natural gas generation will help meet customers' needs when demand for energy is high.



- Karn: Over 450 MW proposed at an existing industrial site near Bay City.
- Thetford: Over 900 MW proposed at an existing industrial site in Genesee County.
- Both facilities are proposed to be in service in 2031.
- These units are designed to operate when the system needs support, providing a reliability foundation as Consumers Energy continues adding renewable resources.
- The natural gas plants will repurpose existing industrial sites at Karn and Thetford. This approach minimizes land impacts, leverages existing grid infrastructure and creates Michigan jobs while providing dependable power when customers need it most.



Affordability: Stable Bills And Lower-Cost Energy

We're committed to putting forward the most affordable energy plan possible: the lowest-cost path that delivers reliable service while meeting Michigan's clean energy requirements. Our all-of-the-above approach combines flexible natural gas generation, low-operating-cost renewable resources, and customer programs that reduce demand.

This all-of-the-above plan keeps costs rising less than the rate of inflation of 3% while investing in the new resources Michigan needs.

Expanding Clean Energy

Consumers Energy's plan continues expanding clean energy options such as solar, wind and battery storage.

The plan will achieve the targets set within Michigan's 2023 energy law by pairing renewable resources with clean energy, storage, and customer-powered sources.



Customers As Partners

Customers are central to our plan's success. Energy Waste Reduction and Demand Response programs give customers incentives and tools to use less energy and lower bills.

- **Energy Waste Reduction:** Incentives and solutions that help customers save directly on their bills. Since 2009, customer programs have saved customers \$8.5 billion and are projected to save \$18 billion by 2050.
- **Demand Response:** Programs that help shift or reduce energy use during periods of peak demand.
- **Customer-Powered Energy:** Customer-powered energy is an important part of our energy strategy and reflected in our Energy Supply Plan through programs that help reduce customer demand during peak periods to promote flexibility in a cost-effective way. In fact, these programs can reduce peak demand by up to 3,100 MW. However, while these programs provide valuable flexibility and peak reduction, they cannot fully replace firm generation resources that are needed to reliably serve customers during extended periods of high demand or when demand response resources are unavailable. The most reliable and affordable path forward is a balanced approach.



Supporting Michigan's Success

The Energy Supply Plan prepares for growth from new families, expanding businesses, relocating industries, electric vehicle adoption, distributed generation and more.

The plan supports Michigan-made energy by strengthening generation in the state and investing in communities where new infrastructure will be built. Those investments are expected to support thousands of construction jobs, hundreds of permanent roles and an enhanced tax base from energy projects, including the natural gas plants and projects in the Renewable Energy Plan approved in 2025.



Support for the Energy Supply Plan

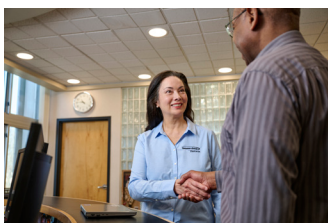
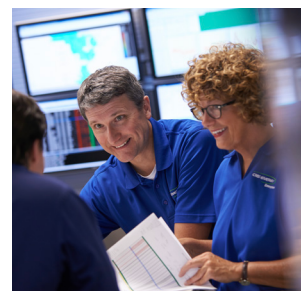


"We applaud Michigan businesses that grow by investing in our state and putting people to work in our community. Consumers Energy is developing a responsible plan to serve Michigan that will create jobs, build our tax base and strengthen the Bay area's economy. We're excited to see their expanded commitment to our community provide benefits now and for decades to come."

- Magen Samyn, President and CEO, Bay Area Chamber of Commerce

"We value Consumers Energy's investment in our community and appreciate the partnership and support behind this effort. While this project will certainly strengthen our local economy, its impact reaches far beyond Hampton Township and Bay County. By taking advantage of existing infrastructure, this project shows Consumers Energy's long-term commitment to provide reliable, affordable energy that will benefit families and businesses across Michigan."

- Terri Close, Supervisor, Hampton Township (Bay County)



"The planned investments by Consumers Energy will create meaningful opportunities for skilled workers across Michigan. These projects will support good-paying jobs and strengthen the skilled trades pipeline for the men and women who build and maintain our state's vital infrastructure."

- Steve Claywell, Secretary-Treasurer, Michigan Building Trades Council

The Process

We are listening to the people of Michigan. Our Energy Supply Plan reflects our commitment to providing reliable, affordable, safe and clean energy to nearly 2 million homes and businesses we serve. It's critical for our plan to reflect the ideas and input of stakeholders around the state.

In 2025, we gathered community input as we developed our Energy Supply Plan through a series of engagement efforts, including five public outreach events, three technical workshops and a customer survey. We maintain a dedicated website at **ConsumersEnergy.com/EnergySupplyPlan** where community members can submit questions and comments at any time.

We used community input to help shape several parts of the Energy Supply Plan. Feedback helped us refine our energy mix by balancing renewables with fast-start natural gas to ensure reliable power in all conditions. Community members also asked for more clarity around affordability, which led us to highlight how system flexibility and reduced market purchases help keep bills stable.

We also added clearer explanations of both near-term actions and long-term plans based on requests for more transparency. Finally, we're improving communication by proactively expanding outreach through communicating our plans across various channels and organizing reoccurring events with stakeholders and communities.

The next steps from here will continue to put people first. The Michigan Public Service Commission will review the Energy Supply Plan over the next 12 months, a process that's open to the public and will feature more opportunities for people to contribute their thoughts. We at Consumers Energy are committed to providing more information to the people we serve, ensuring we continue to develop a plan that's best for Michigan.



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