

Powering Michigan's Growth

Count on us to help



Growth is Good for Michigan

- More Jobs: New projects create jobs –from construction to operations – and support local businesses that serve those workers and companies.
- More Tax Revenue: Economic growth expands the local tax base, giving the state, cities, municipalities, and schools more resources to fund roads, teachers, and public safety.
- More Opportunities: When businesses grow, families have more choices – better jobs, stronger schools, and thriving communities where people want to live and stay.

Data Centers Will Not Raise Your Rates

- When data centers come online, they pay for the energy and infrastructure they use.
- Data centers will help spread fixed costs across a broader customer base. This helps reduce cost pressure on other customers.
- Michigan's regulatory safeguards ensure rates are just and reasonable for all customers.

We Have the Energy Supply

- We have plenty of reliable energy supply to meet growth demands even on the hottest days.
- We are already on track to add more natural gas, solar and battery storage projects to support additional generation in the near term to meet growing demand and replace retiring resources.
- Our long term plans include building a diverse portfolio of energy supply to meet growing demand.

We are Committed to Reliability

- Upgrades will not only serve the needs of the proposed project but may improve the reliability in the area by upgrading or installing new poles, lines, and equipment.
- Bottom line, this means improved reliability at a lower cost for all customers.

We are Committed to the Environment

- We are committed to the environment – to clean air, water, and land and to protecting the planet which matters to all of us.
- Our Energy Supply Plan will not just comply with Michigan's 2023 energy law but also add cost-effective resources to ensure new growth is served with a diverse portfolio of reliable energy.

Frequently Asked Questions

Will new Michigan data centers raise my rates?

No. They will pay their share of the energy they use and the infrastructure they need. As new, large business customers come online, they share the benefits **and** the cost of the overall electric system. And when fixed costs are shared by more customers, the overall cost burden is lower for each customer.¹

Where is the energy coming from to support these massive projects?

Consumers Energy has plenty of energy supply to meet customer demands—even on the hottest and coldest days. With natural gas plants, dispatchable renewable resources and battery storage in our energy supply portfolio, we can supply reliable, on-demand electricity to meet Michigan's growing energy needs. Our experts use advanced modeling technology to forecast how much power we'll need today and in the future. We then build robust plans to meet that demand, which includes potential for large business load requests. We continue to grow our supply capacity each year to meet the needs of all customers, while encouraging responsible energy use through our industry-leading energy efficiency and demand response programs.

What about the environmental impacts of data centers?

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Does Consumers Energy have enough power to support these large projects, and should we expect brownouts?

We have plenty of reliable energy supply to meet today's demands and support future expansion across our state, contrary to what third-party stakeholders may claim. Our long-term energy supply plan (Integrated Resource Plan) details the evolving energy landscape and increasing demand with cost-effective generation over the course of the next twenty years. As future large customers come online in the future, our blueprint will transparently demonstrate how we will reliably and affordably meet the demand of all customers including proposed economic development projects in Michigan's pipeline.²

¹ MPSC approves terms of service between Consumers Energy and data centers, other very large customers; adds protections for existing customers. 2025, November 6. michigan.gov/mpsc

² MPSC Resource Planning. michigan.gov/mpsc