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November 4, 2011

Michael Palchesko, Regional Manager Oakland County DTE Energy Company 26801 Northwestern Hwy. Southfield, MI, 48033

Dear Mr. Palchesko:

During its meeting of November 3, 2011, City Council unanimously approved a resolution to demand Detroit Edison (DTE) suspends the Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) project in the City of Rochester for ninety (90) days. This moratorium would allow the Rochester City Council the opportunity review information sent by DTE regarding the project and to receive information during the November 29, 2011 City Council meeting, which you have offered to attend to provide further information about the project.

This demand is a result of DTE's repeated failure to communicate with the City of Rochester regarding this project; as noted in the City Manager's letter dated October 28, 2011 (attached).

The City Council has received concerns regarding the AMI project. City Council has not taken a position regarding these concerns, but, because of DTE's failure to communicate, has been put in a position of being unable to engage in a proper dialog with its constituents regarding the AMI project.

We appreciate your immediate attention to this letter.

Official Signature

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October 28, 2011

Michael Palchesko, Regional Manager Oakland County DTE Energy Company 26801 Northwestern Hwy. Southfield, MI, 48033

Dear Mike:

During its meeting of October 10, 2011, City Council specifically discussed with you Detroit Edison's (DTE) Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) project. At a public meeting on October 3, 2011, you suggested that the AMI project would not be immediately coming to the City of Rochester. However, letters were sent during that week informing Rochester residents and business that the AMI project would begin in our City. During the October 10<sup>th</sup> meeting, you corrected DTE's position and promised to deliver information regarding AMI for City Council's consideration. Last week I received a packet of information from DTE regarding AMI and I am in the process of preparing information for City Council to review.

Today, I was contacted and informed that DTE has actually recently installed AMI in the City at residential addresses. While it might not have been expressly said, it was my clear understanding during the October 10<sup>th</sup> meeting that DTE would be delivering the AMI information to the City and allow the City to consider this information before meters would be changed out. This has not occurred and has created further questions regarding DTE's project and communication protocol.

I respectfully request that DTE suspend the installation of AMI in the City of Rochester until such time when you or the appropriate DTE representative can address City Council regarding this issue. The next opportunity to do so will be the City Council meeting of November 14, 2011. It is also at this meeting that I will be sharing with City Council the information you provided to me last week.

I appreciate your attention to my request.

If you have any questions or would like additional information, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Official

Signature

Jaymes Vettraino City Manager

Cc: Rochester City Council