

STATE OF MICHIGAN  
BEFORE THE MICHIGAN PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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In the matter of the application of	)	
<b>NORDIC ENERGY SERVICES, LLC,</b>	)	Case No. U-17451
for a license as an alternative gas supplier.	)	
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At the December 6, 2013 meeting of the Michigan Public Service Commission in Lansing, Michigan.

PRESENT: Hon. John D. Quackenbush, Chairman  
Hon. Greg R. White, Commissioner  
Hon. Sally A. Talberg, Commissioner

**ORDER GRANTING LICENSE**

On July 31, 2013, Nordic Energy Services, LLC, (Nordic), filed an application under the licensing procedure established by the Commission's March 12, 2013 order in Case No. U-13694 (March 12 order) for a license to operate as an alternative gas supplier (AGS) within Michigan pursuant to 2002 PA 634, MCL 460.9 *et seq.* (Act 634). As part of its application, Nordic provided information to demonstrate compliance with the AGS license requirements under Act 634.

Act 634 requires an AGS to have the necessary financial, managerial, and technical capabilities to serve customers within the state of Michigan. The act also requires an AGS to maintain an office within the state. Under the March 12 order, the Commission Staff (Staff) must review the application for conformance with the act and with the Commission's orders. The Staff then must recommend appropriate action regarding that application to the Commission.

In this case, the Staff reviewed the license application and the information submitted by Nordic and recommended that the company be granted a license to operate as an AGS in Michigan.

The application shows that Nordic is an independently-owned limited liability company and has its headquarters at 1 Tower Lane Suite 300, Oakbrook Terrace, Illinois. Nordic was organized in Illinois on June 12, 2002, and registered with the Michigan Corporations Division on July 13, 2009, under ID Number B9389J.

Nordic is licensed to market and serve natural gas and electricity to retail residential, commercial, and industrial customers in Illinois. It is licensed to serve gas customers only in Indiana. It currently serves approximately 3,500 retail customers in those two states. Nordic is licensed to serve electric customers only in Ohio, Pennsylvania, and Maryland, but is not currently doing so.

The Staff reviewed Nordic's personnel descriptions and histories, observing that its key personnel have over 100 combined years of experience in the energy industry, including business management, gas control, scheduling, supply acquisition, risk management, and many other aspects associated with the energy industry. Nordic's application indicates that it will respond to customer inquiries and complaints swiftly and competently, resolving most immediately. Inquiries that do not involve the utility are to be resolved within three days. The Staff has determined that Nordic is well qualified with sufficient experience and expertise to serve customers in Michigan's Gas Customer Choice Program.

Based upon the information provided by Nordic and the recommendation of the Staff, the Commission finds that Nordic possesses the appropriate managerial and technical capabilities to serve customers within the state of Michigan.

Nordic has provided the Staff with a surety bond in the amount of \$100,000. Based on its review of the confidential financial documents and the satisfied bond requirement, the Staff determined that Nordic's financial capability and availability meet Act 634 requirements. The Commission agrees.

Act 634 requires Nordic to maintain an office within the state of Michigan. Nordic's Michigan office is located at 855 North Bay Cliff Dr., Unit 6, Suttons Bay, MI 49682. The Staff determined that Nordic has met the office requirements for licensing. The Commission agrees.

Based upon the submissions and all of the information provided, the Commission finds that Nordic's request to be licensed as an AGS is reasonable and in the public interest, and that it should be approved. However, the grant of the license is conditioned upon compliance with all of the applicable provisions of Act 634, the Commission's orders and administrative rules, and each of the delivering natural gas utilities' tariffs. Failure to comply with any of these provisions may result in revocation of the license or other penalties.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that:

- A. Nordic Energy Services, LLC, is granted a license as an alternative gas supplier.
- B. Nordic Energy Services, LLC, shall comply with the regulatory requirements specified in 2002 PA 634, MCL 460.9 *et seq.*; the Commission's orders and administrative rules approved by the Commission; and each of the delivering natural gas utilities' tariffs.

The Commission reserves jurisdiction and may issue further orders as necessary.

Any party desiring to appeal this order must do so in the appropriate court within 30 days after issuance and notice of this order, under MCL 462.26.

MICHIGAN PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION



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John D. Quackenbush, Chairman



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Greg R. White, Commissioner



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Sally A. Talberg, Commissioner

By its action of December 6, 2013.



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Mary Jo Kunkle, Executive Secretary

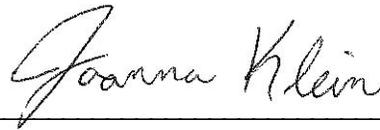
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Joanna Klein being duly sworn, deposes and says that on December 6, 2013 A.D. she served a copy of the attached Commission order by first class mail, postage prepaid, or by inter-departmental mail, to the persons as shown on the attached service list.



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Joanna Klein

Subscribed and sworn to before me  
This 6<sup>th</sup> day of December 2013

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Gloria Pearl Jones  
Notary Public, Ingham County, MI  
My Commission Expires June 5, 2016  
Acting in Eaton County

Service List U-17451

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