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#### **VIA ELECTRONIC CASE FILING**

July 12, 2018

Kavita Kale, Executive Secretary Michigan Public Service Commission 7109 W. Saginaw Highway Lansing, MI 48909

Re: <u>Case No. U-20162</u>

Dear Ms. Kale:

Please find attached the PETITION TO INTERVENE OF THE KROGER CO. and ENTRY OF APPEARANCE of KURT J. BOEHM and JODY KYLER COHN and its PROOF OF SERVICE for filing in the above captioned matter.

Please place this document of file. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Very truly yours,

Kurt J. Boehm, Esq. Jody Kyler Cohn, Esq. Michael L. Kurtz, Esq., (Michigan ##P67067) BOEHM, KURTZ & LOWRY

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Cc: Administrative Law Judge Sally L. Wallace (<u>wallaces2@michigan.gov</u>)

# STATE OF MICHIGAN BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

In The Matter Of The Application Of The DTE
Electric Company For Authority To Increase Its Rates,
Amend Its Rate Schedules and Rules Governing The
Distribution And Supply Of Electric Energy, And For
Miscellaneous Accounting Authority

: Case No. U-20162
(E-file)

### PETITION TO INTERVENE OF KROGER CO.

Pursuant to the Michigan Public Service Commission ("Commission") Rules of Practice and Procedure,

The Kroger Co. ("Kroger") petitions to intervene in this proceeding. In support, Petitioner states as follows:

### 1. Name and Addresses of Petitioner:

The Kroger Co. 1014 Vine Street Cincinnati, Ohio 45202

### 2. <u>Name and Address of Attorneys/Consultants Representing Petitioner:</u>

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#### 3. <u>Identify the Petitioner:</u>

Petitioner is a retail electric customer of the DTE Electric Company ("Company"). Petitioner has approximately 86 grocery stores and other facilities that purchase their electric supply from the Company.

4. <u>Petitioner's Interest in this Proceeding:</u>

Kroger is a corporation engaged in the business of selling groceries at retail throughout the United States.

One of the largest retail food companies in the United States, Kroger operates approximately 112 grocery stores in

the state of Michigan. Of that total, approximately 86 purchase their electric supply from the Company. These

stores purchase more than 150 million kWh of electricity from the Company annually. Petitioner is one of the

largest commercial customers served by the Company. The grocery stores operated by Kroger are high load

factor facilities that use energy for food storage, lighting, heating, cooling and distribution, often on a 24 hour a

day, 7 day a week basis. If the Company's application is granted, then the cost for electric power service to

Petitioner could be substantially impacted. Accordingly, Petitioner has a substantial and vital interest in the

outcome of this proceeding which cannot be adequately represented by any other party.

WHEREFORE, for the reasons set forth above, Petitioner requests that this Petition to Intervene be

granted.

DATED this 12<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2018.

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Subscribed to and sworn before me this 12th day of July, 2018.	
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