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Personal Data: A longtime public servant with 44 years of experience serving the citizens of Michigan in the regulation of Michigan's utility companies at the Michigan Public Service Commission. Currently, the Director of Energy Operations with responsibility for five sections: the Electric Operations Section is responsible for the distribution of electricity and looking at O&M and distribution capital investments; the Gas Operations Section also looks at O&M and capital investments in rate cases and includes enforcement of the Michigan Gas Safety Standards through the Gas Safety Pipeline Program, siting of natural gas pipelines (Act 9), siting of the transmission pipelines for crude or petroleum (Act 16), certificate of public convenience (Act 69), and storage of natural gas (Act 238); the Smart Grid Section is involved in new technologies such as AMI meters for electric and gas customers, the Act 304 Section administers Act 304 electric and gas fuel clauses and depreciation cases and Act 304 Reconciliation Section audits the purchase fuel cases.

Education:	B.A. Economics	M.B.A. - Finance
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