

Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)

From: scm48069@everyactionadvocacy.com on behalf of Scott Morrow <scm48069@everyactionadvocacy.com>
Sent: Monday, February 27, 2023 10:18 PM
To: Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)
Subject: Hold DTE Energy accountable

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Sincerely,
Scott Morrow
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Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)

From: lindsay.a.maas@everyactionadvocacy.com on behalf of Lindsay Maas
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Sent: Monday, February 27, 2023 8:41 PM
To: Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)
Subject: Hold DTE Energy accountable

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Sincerely,
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Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)

From: Watkinsd01@everyactionadvocacy.com on behalf of Donna Watkins <Watkinsd01@everyactionadvocacy.com>
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To: Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)
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Sincerely,
Donna Watkins
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Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)

From: Leslee Klein Markose <lesrklein@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 27, 2023 4:03 PM
To: Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)
Subject: DTE, Royal Oak Resident

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Dear Representative Scott,

I write to you as a frustrated mom who is having a lot of trouble right now figuring out what is going on with DTE. We haven't had power or heat in my house for five days. I am fortunate, privileged, and blessed that we have a warm place to stay, and our only losses include groceries from the fridge, but really, it's been almost a week, I should be back home now. I have a young toddler, I have an expectant neighbor, as well as elderly neighbors on my street who I am also very concerned about (our address is 2215 Kalama avenue, Royal Oak MI 48067) We also have neighbors who had issues with their sump pump and basement completely flooded.

I can't seem to get a straight answer on when my power will be restored. DTE does not answer their phone and their app doesn't work. I can't even contact anyone for help. I know they have crews out who are working so hard- this is not their fault. I just want my power back and I want clarity.

I also do not want DTE even THINKING of raising our costs this year, because we all know that corporate greed is a huge issue and must be stopped. DTE reported a \$1.3 BILLION dollar profit last year. And they will only give us a shameful \$25 credit! Would you be able to look more into this and hold DTE accountable? I know we are not the only constituents of yours who are currently frustrated with them, too.

Thank you for everything you do, Rep. Scott- we proudly voted for you last election. We hope you too are also staying safe.

Sincerely,
Leslee Markose

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University of Michigan 2013
Oakland University 2018

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From: wright.joseph3818@everyactionadvocacy.com on behalf of Joseph L Wright
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Sent: Monday, February 27, 2023 3:41 PM
To: Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)
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From: lucille1926@everyactionadvocacy.com on behalf of Doris Zamojcin <lucille1926@everyactionadvocacy.com>
Sent: Monday, February 27, 2023 9:07 AM
To: Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)
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Sincerely,
Doris Zamojcin
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Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)

From: bradleyantonio9175@everyactionadvocacy.com on behalf of Antonio Bradley
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Sent: Monday, February 27, 2023 6:18 AM
To: Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)
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Sincerely,
Antonio Bradley
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Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)

From: jwhip4life@everyactionadvocacy.com on behalf of Joseph Whipple
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Sent: Monday, February 27, 2023 4:44 AM
To: Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)
Subject: Hold DTE Energy accountable

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Sincerely,
Joseph Whipple
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From: schimeck@everyactionadvocacy.com on behalf of Michelle Schimeck
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Sent: Monday, February 27, 2023 1:04 PM
To: Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)
Subject: Hold DTE Energy accountable

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The recent power outage that started 2/22/23 cost me personally over \$1000 with 2 full days of lost work (no power at work) and food thrown away, having to eat out due to not being able to eat at home, & my husband having to find places he could work. It was ridiculous, and they want more money?????

Electricity is a necessity not a privilege. Most jobs are not paying more due to inflation, yet we are expected to pay higher utilities. Socioeconomic status' are not equal! There are many that can be hurt by this! Also, how about they take accountability for their consistency of services!

Sincerely,
Michelle Schimeck
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Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)

From: terrellb3883@everyactionadvocacy.com on behalf of Terrell Brown <terrellb3883@everyactionadvocacy.com>
Sent: Monday, February 27, 2023 9:19 AM
To: Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)
Subject: Hold DTE Energy accountable

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Sincerely,
Terrell Brown
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Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)

From: stuartbies@everyactionadvocacy.com on behalf of Stuart Bies
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To: Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)
Subject: Hold DTE Energy accountable

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Sincerely,
Stuart Bies
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Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)

From: chimientir@everyactionadvocacy.com on behalf of Rosemary Remick
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Sent: Monday, February 27, 2023 2:53 PM
To: Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)
Subject: Hold DTE Energy accountable

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Sincerely,
Rosemary Remick
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Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)

From: ee8763@everyactionadvocacy.com on behalf of Nicholas Albertson <ee8763@everyactionadvocacy.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 28, 2023 12:34 PM
To: Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)
Subject: Hold DTE Energy accountable

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Sincerely,
Nicholas Albertson
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ee8763@wayne.edu

Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)

From: ramonadouglas23@everyactionadvocacy.com on behalf of Ramona Douglas
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Sent: Tuesday, February 28, 2023 12:10 PM
To: Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)
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Sincerely,
Ramona Douglas
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Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)

From: Melissa Nita <melissa.nita18@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 28, 2023 9:49 AM
To: Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)
Cc: Aleksander Nita
Subject: Power Outage - Day 6

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Good Morning Rep. Helena Scott,

My name is Melissa Nita and I am a resident of Royal Oak, Michigan. I live at 506 West Lincoln Ave. We have been out of power since Wednesday, February 23rd around 3 p.m. Since then, we have gotten three updates on power restoration, however, it has never come back on. Currently, the DTE Outage Map states "New Restoration Date in Progress". There are only 19 houses on our block that are out of power, so many of us feel that we have completely been overlooked.

I am confused as to why this is not considered a state of emergency after six days without power? We live in Michigan, where winters without heat is not an option. Our fridge full of groceries has gone bad and we have been only offered a \$25 credit. My family, which includes my husband, my two year old, my dog, and myself who is 8 months pregnant. Having no power or food and being displaced for almost a week seems completely unacceptable.

I have contacted DTE several times and have gotten nowhere. We are beyond frustrated and completely at a loss of what to do next. I am asking for help - help contacting others, help restoring our power, help making this an emergency situation, anything at this point.

I appreciate you taking time to read this message and look forward to hearing back from you.

Melissa Nita
586-770-9140

Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)

From: toicollc2013@everyactionadvocacy.com on behalf of To'i Coleman <toicollc2013@everyactionadvocacy.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 28, 2023 7:36 AM
To: Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)
Subject: Hold DTE Energy accountable

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Sincerely, To'i Coleman

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To'i Coleman
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Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)

From: stormyla58@everyactionadvocacy.com on behalf of Merri L Potvin <stormyla58@everyactionadvocacy.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 28, 2023 11:59 PM
To: Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)
Subject: Hold DTE Energy accountable

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My husband and I were without power from February 22 to February 27 🤔. No, we don't live in a remote rural area ... we live in Royal Oak!!! Your outage map is unreliable and frustrating; I recognize that we had a storm, but it CERTAINLY wasn't bad or long enough to warrant that kind of outage. I'm inclined to believe that DTE just didn't have the necessary equipment on hand to fix the problems (i.e., transformers!!!)

You must do BETTER before expecting consumers to just pay up ...

Sincerely,
Merri L Potvin
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Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)

From: treshallross@everyactionadvocacy.com on behalf of Treshall Ross
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Sent: Tuesday, February 28, 2023 11:16 PM
To: Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)
Subject: Hold DTE Energy accountable

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Sincerely,
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From: moniquenholley@everyactionadvocacy.com on behalf of Monique Holley
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To: Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)
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Sincerely,

Monique Holley

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From: stephaniea@everyactionadvocacy.com on behalf of Stephanie Ahmad
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Sent: Tuesday, February 28, 2023 9:21 PM
To: Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)
Subject: Hold DTE Energy accountable

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Sincerely,
Stephanie Ahmad
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From: markwatman54313@everyactionadvocacy.com on behalf of Mark Watson
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Sent: Tuesday, February 28, 2023 8:49 PM
To: Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)
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Sincerely,
Mark Watson
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From: cenefels@everyactionadvocacy.com on behalf of David Cenefels
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Sent: Tuesday, February 28, 2023 7:52 PM
To: Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)
Subject: Hold DTE Energy accountable

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Sincerely,
David Cenefels
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From: mcguire.theresa@everyactionadvocacy.com on behalf of Theresa McGuire
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Sent: Tuesday, February 28, 2023 6:16 PM
To: Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)
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They cut down tree branches haphazardly exposing them to infestations and instability and then when tree branches fall from ice or high winds, it's the customers who pay with restaurant/hotel bills, ruined food etc. DTE has already passed their costs on to us.

Sincerely,
Theresa McGuire
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Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)

From: artreyesiii@everyactionadvocacy.com on behalf of Arturo Reyes
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Sent: Tuesday, February 28, 2023 5:35 PM
To: Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)
Subject: I Support Holding DTE Accountable for Reimbursing Residents

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Dear Representative Helena Scott,

Each time the power goes out, our community takes a hit. We spend hundreds of dollars replacing spoiled food, and miss days of work or school. For elderly family members and neighbors, who are vulnerable to heat exposure, and for people with medical devices that require electricity, blackouts can be deadly. Nearly a million people in Michigan are without power today, with nighttime temperatures falling well below freezing in the coming days.

Meanwhile, our state's investor-owned monopoly utilities shovel profits to shareholders and evade accountability for the real costs of their failing infrastructure.

In short, hundreds of thousands of families are sitting in the cold without power again because DTE has prioritized shareholder profits over affordable, reliable electricity for customers. What's worse, DTE pours money into campaign donations and lobbying because it's paid off for them. More than 90 percent of state legislators took money from DTE in the 2022 election. They've effectively escaped accountability despite consistent public outrage at their awful service, long blackouts, and rising rates.

But it doesn't have to be this way. Michiganders shouldn't go days on end without power while nothing is done because we haven't mustered the political courage to stand up to an investor-owned utility bully.

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Will you take action to reimburse customers who've been consistently failed by DTE, and take further action to hold DTE accountable for the damage they've caused our communities?

Thank you,

Sincerely,
Arturo Reyes
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Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)

From: Sabweatherspoon@everyactionadvocacy.com on behalf of Sabrina Weatherspoon
<Sabweatherspoon@everyactionadvocacy.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 28, 2023 4:45 PM
To: Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)
Subject: Hold DTE Energy accountable

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Sincerely,
Sabrina Weatherspoon
20800 Wyoming St Ferndale, MI 48220-2163 Sabweatherspoon@gmail.com

Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)

From: mrs.selmores1512@everyactionadvocacy.com on behalf of Shirita Elmore
<mrs.selmores1512@everyactionadvocacy.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 28, 2023 4:22 PM
To: Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)
Subject: Hold DTE Energy accountable

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Sincerely,
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mrs.selmores1512@gmail.com

Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)

From: housedems.com <michiganhousewebdev@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 28, 2023 3:20 PM
To: Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)
Subject: housedems.com "DTE Power Outage"

From: CathleenRuss <cathleen.russ@gmail.com>

First Name: Cathleen

First Name: Russ

Address: 1527 N Maple Avenue

City: Royal Oak

ZIP Code: 48067

Phone: 2482247516

Email: cathleen.russ@gmail.com

Subject: DTE Power Outage

Message Body:

Dear Rep. Scott, I lost power on Wednesday, 2/22 at 9:30 pm and my power was finally restored on Tuesday, 2/28 at 11:30 am. I received minimal information from DTE, and their estimated time for restoration changed from Sunday to Monday to Wednesday, and then I got my power on Tuesday (today). The communication from DTE is horrible and the lack of accountability is shocking. I know the line workers were working hard; I question the leadership. The \$35 credit I have been promised will help but not offset the over \$200 in food I lost, missed work time, not to mention the waste of water because I had to set all my taps dripping so my pipes wouldn't freeze. I am fortunate that I was able to stay with a friend. What about the people who couldn't do that, people with children, people with medical conditions who were severely impacted. You are chair of the Energy Committee. I would like to know what your plans are to address this issue with DTE and hold them accountable for their lack of trustworthy infrastructure and abysmal communications. We do not live in war-torn Ukraine, where lengthy power outages are a way of life. We live in Michigan, which is unfortunately ranked 5th worst in the nation for power reliability.

The Governor wants to attract people to the state and encourage the purchase of EVs. DTE is not an advertisement for either of those things. Thank you for listening.

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Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)

From: elshortt@everyactionadvocacy.com on behalf of Laura Shortt
<elshortt@everyactionadvocacy.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 28, 2023 7:14 AM
To: Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)
Subject: Hold DTE Energy accountable

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Dear Representative Helena Scott,

Since buying my first home just over year ago, my power has gone out for the 4th time during the most recent ice storm. Each time, the power has gone out for days on end. I'm forced to pack and leave my home. I lose hundreds of dollars in food in my refrigerator. I worry about leaving my new home vacant.

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Sincerely,
Laura Shortt
20150 Greenlawn St Detroit, MI 48221-1148 elshortt@gmail.com

Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)

From: boncille1@everyactionadvocacy.com on behalf of Voncille Moncure <boncille1@everyactionadvocacy.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 28, 2023 5:47 AM
To: Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)
Subject: Hold DTE Energy accountable

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Sincerely,
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Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)

From: tracyburroughs@everyactionadvocacy.com on behalf of Tracy Burroughs
<tracyburroughs@everyactionadvocacy.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 28, 2023 5:28 AM
To: Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)
Subject: Hold DTE Energy accountable

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Sincerely,

Tracy Burroughs

1012 N Vermont Ave Royal Oak, MI 48067-1410 tracyburroughs@hotmail.com

Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)

From: kenthom@everyactionadvocacy.com on behalf of Edith Thomas
<kenthom@everyactionadvocacy.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 28, 2023 3:19 AM
To: Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)
Subject: Hold DTE Energy accountable

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Sincerely,
Edith Thomas
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Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)

From: davisgisele@everyactionadvocacy.com on behalf of Gisele Davis
<davisgisele@everyactionadvocacy.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 28, 2023 3:01 AM
To: Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)
Subject: Hold DTE Energy accountable

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Sincerely,
Gisele Davis
13785 Wadsworth St Detroit, MI 48227-3066 davisgisele@yahoo.com

Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)

From: MelTheScorpio1984@everyactionadvocacy.com on behalf of Melvin B Moton <MelTheScorpio1984@everyactionadvocacy.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 1, 2023 9:31 AM
To: Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)
Subject: Hold DTE Energy accountable

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Melvin B Moton
20129 Prairie St Detroit, MI 48221-1218 MelTheScorpio1984@gmail.com

Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)

From: dee_s56@everyactionadvocacy.com on behalf of Delores Stevenson <dee_s56@everyactionadvocacy.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 1, 2023 3:24 AM
To: Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)
Subject: Hold DTE Energy accountable

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Sincerely,
Delores Stevenson
12420 Monica St Detroit, MI 48204-5307
dee_s56@live.com

Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)

From: jacsam42@everyactionadvocacy.com on behalf of Jackie Considine <jacsam42@everyactionadvocacy.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 1, 2023 10:01 AM
To: Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)
Subject: Hold DTE Energy accountable


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Sincerely,
Jackie Considine
1008 N Kenwood Ave Royal Oak, MI 48067-1506 jacsam42@gmail.com

Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)

From:  stuartbies@everyactionadvocacy.com on behalf of Stuart Bies
<stuartbies@everyactionadvocacy.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 1, 2023 10:19 AM
To: Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)
Subject: Hold DTE Energy accountable

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Sincerely,
Stuart Bies
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Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)

From: maretta_c@everyactionadvocacy.com on behalf of Maretta Coyle-Hooks
<maretta_c@everyactionadvocacy.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 1, 2023 11:19 AM
To: Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)
Subject: Hold DTE Energy accountable

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Sincerely,
Maretta Coyle-Hooks
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Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)

From: cynthiasmithfulwood@everyactionadvocacy.com on behalf of Cynthia Fulwood <cynthiasmithfulwood@everyactionadvocacy.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 1, 2023 11:32 AM
To: Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)
Subject: Hold DTE Energy accountable

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Sincerely,
Cynthia Fulwood
19952 Prairie St Detroit, MI 48221-1217 cynthiasmithfulwood@gmail.com

Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)

From: pullen.chris@everyactionadvocacy.com on behalf of Chris Pullen
<pullen.chris@everyactionadvocacy.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 1, 2023 11:52 AM
To: Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)
Subject: Hold DTE Energy accountable

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Sincerely,
Chris Pullen
753 Withington St Ferndale, MI 48220-1278 pullen.chris@student.oaklandcc.edu

Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)

From: gammitchell.gm@everyactionadvocacy.com on behalf of Gwendolyn Ann Mims Mitchell
<gammitchell.gm@everyactionadvocacy.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 1, 2023 12:31 PM
To: Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)
Subject: Hold DTE Energy accountable

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Sincerely,
Gwendolyn Ann Mims Mitchell
20115 San Juan Dr # 404 Detroit, MI 48221-1224 gammitchell.gm@gmail.com

Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)

From: fishy_ec@everyactionadvocacy.com on behalf of Elyse Carnegie
<fishy_ec@everyactionadvocacy.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 1, 2023 12:12 PM
To: Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)
Subject: Hold DTE Energy accountable

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Dear Representative Helena Scott,

I recently learned that DTE wants to raise rates by \$622 million, the highest rate increase in state history. They do this with a complete monopoly on the power supply in south east Michigan. We already pay the highest rates paired with the worst reliability in the Midwest. We can't afford another rate increase, especially when DTE can't keep the power on as it is.

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Sincerely,
Elyse Carnegie
1905 Vinton Rd Royal Oak, MI 48067-1075 fishy_ec@hotmail.com

Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)

From: Elizabeth Cabot <lizcabot@comcast.net>
Sent: Thursday, March 2, 2023 9:44 AM
To: Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)
Subject: Please hold DTE accountable!

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Dear Representative Scott,

I am writing to express my concern regarding DTE Energy's failure to deliver on its responsibility to provide reliable and affordable energy to its customers. The recent power outages resulting from ice storms across the state left over 600,000 DTE customers without power, and many residents in Southern Michigan without electricity for consecutive days.

Personally, my Royal Oak block loses power more often than not whenever wind or heavy rain occurs. We have experienced many days long outages in the past decade, including a five day long outage during near zero temperatures. This is life threatening - and FRUSTRATING.

Yet, in the face of widespread power outages affecting DTE customers across the utility's service area, DTE is proposing record-breaking rate increases that threaten to raise energy bills for customers. Many of whom are already struggling to make ends meet as the cost of living crisis continues to grow.

As your constituent, I urge you to hold hearings in the State House and Senate Energy Committees to discuss rapid response for residents in need of relief and to evaluate solutions to better meet the needs of Michiganders, not the utility's bottom line. We cannot let DTE Energy continue to prioritize profits over the well-being of Michiganders. These hearings must include testimony from independent experts and impacted residents - not just DTE spokespeople.

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Thank you for your attention to this critical issue.

Sincerely,

Sincerely,
Elizabeth Cabot
25645 York Rd
Royal Oak, MI 48067

Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)

From: kittyjdaly@everyactionadvocacy.com on behalf of Kitty Daly
<kittyjdaly@everyactionadvocacy.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 2, 2023 9:49 AM
To: Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)
Subject: I Support Holding DTE Accountable for Reimbursing Residents

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Dear Representative Helena Scott,

Each time the power goes out, our community takes a hit. We spend hundreds of dollars replacing spoiled food, and miss days of work or school. For elderly family members and neighbors, who are vulnerable to heat exposure, and for people with medical devices that require electricity, blackouts can be deadly. Nearly a million people in Michigan are without power today, with nighttime temperatures falling well below freezing in the coming days.

Meanwhile, our state's investor-owned monopoly utilities shovel profits to shareholders and evade accountability for the real costs of their failing infrastructure.

In short, hundreds of thousands of families are sitting in the cold without power again because DTE has prioritized shareholder profits over affordable, reliable electricity for customers. What's worse, DTE pours money into campaign donations and lobbying because it's paid off for them. More than 90 percent of state legislators took money from DTE in the 2022 election. They've effectively escaped accountability despite consistent public outrage at their awful service, long blackouts, and rising rates.

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Thank you,

Sincerely,
Kitty Daly
1408 Northway St Northway Ferndale, MI 48220-2330 kittyjdaly@gmail.com

Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)

From: Nancy Wellinger <nwellinger@outlook.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 2, 2023 10:10 AM
To: Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)
Subject: Please hold DTE accountable!

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Sincerely,

Sincerely,
Nancy Wellinger
12 Sylvan Ave
Pleasant Ridge, MI 48069

Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)

From: Melissa Morey <melissa.morey@yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 2, 2023 10:16 AM
To: Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)
Subject: Please hold DTE accountable!

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Sincerely,

Sincerely,
Melissa Morey
262 E Lewiston
Ferndale, MI 48220

Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)

From: stef.dellaporta@everyactionadvocacy.com on behalf of Stefanie della Porta
<stef.dellaporta@everyactionadvocacy.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 2, 2023 11:20 AM
To: Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)
Subject: I Support Holding DTE Accountable for Reimbursing Residents

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Will you take action to reimburse customers who've been consistently failed by DTE, and take further action to hold DTE accountable for the damage they've caused our communities?

Thank you,

Sincerely,
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Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)

From: mwriherd@everyactionadvocacy.com on behalf of Megan Riherd
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Sent: Thursday, March 2, 2023 8:39 PM
To: Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)
Subject: Hold DTE Energy accountable

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Dear Representative Helena Scott,

I am reaching out to ask you to help hold DTE accountable. The frequency of the power outages we experience in Southeast Michigan and the long restoration times are unacceptable. My family lost power for 3 days after last week's ice storm and everyone we know was affected in some way. The stress and financial burden this places on Michiganders every time they experience a power outage is extremely disruptive. It is frustrating to hear DTE try to avoid responsibility by blaming the weather, while the only action they take is to promise to trim the trees.

There should be a moratorium on all rate increases until there is an independent investigation into why Michiganders suffer through more and longer outages than any other state in the Great Lakes Region. Furthermore, hearings should be held on failures by DTE and Consumers Energy during last week's storms that left Michiganders without power.

Sincerely,
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Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)

From: Victoria Person (autrain9092@gmail.com) Sent You a Personal Message
<kwautomail@phone2action.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 2, 2023 7:04 PM
To: Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)
Subject: Hold Michigan's Energy Utilities Accountable For Power Outages

Dear Rep. Helena Scott,

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Sincerely,

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Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)

From: Dana Atnip (d_atnip@hotmail.com) Sent You a Personal Message
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To: Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)
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Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)

From: Kevin Faetz <kevinjfaetz@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 2, 2023 5:32 PM
To: Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)
Subject: Please hold DTE accountable!

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Thank you for your attention to this critical issue.

Sincerely,

Kevin Faetz

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Kevin Faetz
570 Stratford Road
Ferndale, MI 48220

Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)

From: Lon Herman (lonherman@hotmail.com) Sent You a Personal Message
<kwautomail@phone2action.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 2, 2023 12:47 PM
To: Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)
Subject: Hold Michigan's Energy Utilities Accountable For Power Outages

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Tell DTE no rate increases until they upgrade the power grid to withstand powerful storms in the future. In fact the oversight committee should reverse previous rate increases if DTE doesn't show proof of these upgrades being started by a certain date.

Sincerely,

Mr. Lon Herman
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Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)

From: Kelly Foukes <kellyfoukes@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 2, 2023 12:37 PM
To: Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)
Subject: DTE outage issues Oxford MI

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Hello, I am Kelly Foukes and I live in Oxford township. I'm writing to ask that as chair of the Energy Committee, Rep. Scott (or Sen. McCann) hold hearings as soon as possible to hold DTE Energy accountable for the massive power outages throughout their service territory. At these hearings it is critical that you not only hear from DTE, but hear from outside experts and impacted community members as well. DTE ratepayers consistently suffer from their outdated and unreliable infrastructure, while DTE rakes in massive profits at our expense. This inferior infrastructure has been causing havoc in our area for at least the 12 years that I have lived at my current address and goes well beyond large weather events. Power outages occur in our area regardless of weather conditions with little to no realistic explanation or resolution from DTE. This has been an amplified hardship now that many of us are working from home and for me personally with a spouse battling cancer. We can't physically drag out the generator every time our power goes out, nor should we have to. We have filed multiple frequent outage complaints with excuses ranging from weather to trees but still our area has outages, with our neighbors right next door and directly across the street will have their power on. There is clearly an issue that is not being addressed.

Thank you for your time,
Kelly Foukes
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Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)

From: Chuck Lindquist <Charlylloyd1@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 2, 2023 9:31 AM
To: Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)
Subject: Please hold DTE accountable!

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Thank you for your attention to this critical issue.

Sincerely,

Sincerely,
Chuck Lindquist
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Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)

From: Sheila Gibson <Sheilann58@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 2, 2023 8:49 AM
To: Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)
Subject: Please hold DTE accountable!

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Sincerely,

Sincerely,
Sheila Gibson
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Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)

From: Ken Large <drkenlarge@yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 2, 2023 8:48 AM
To: Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)
Subject: Please hold DTE accountable!

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Sincerely,

Sincerely,
Ken Large
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Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)

From: David King (dking7994@gmail.com) Sent You a Personal Message
<kwautomail@phone2action.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 2, 2023 8:29 AM
To: Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)
Subject: Hold Michigan's Energy Utilities Accountable For Power Outages

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Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)

From: dion kelly (dionskelly@yahoo.com) Sent You a Personal Message
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Sent: Thursday, March 2, 2023 8:16 AM
To: Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)
Subject: Hold Michigan's Energy Utilities Accountable For Power Outages

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Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)

From: bethysinger@everyactionadvocacy.com on behalf of Beth Singer
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Sent: Wednesday, March 1, 2023 10:37 PM
To: Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)
Subject: I Support Holding DTE Accountable for Reimbursing Residents

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Dear Representative Helena Scott,

As long time residents of Ferndale, my wife and I have experienced numerous power outages over the past 10 plus years, and they seem to be getting more frequent. We are senior citizens with some health issues, and losing power for a few days at a time has been a hardship each and every time. I feel that DTE needs to do better! Each time the power goes out, our community takes a hit. We spend hundreds of dollars replacing spoiled food, and miss days of work or school. For elderly family members and neighbors, who are vulnerable to heat exposure, and for people with medical devices that require electricity, blackouts can be deadly. Nearly a million people in Michigan are without power today, with nighttime temperatures falling well below freezing in the coming days.

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Thank you,

Sincerely,
Beth Singer
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Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)

From: jenbveiga@everyactionadvocacy.com on behalf of Jennifer Veiga
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Sent: Wednesday, March 1, 2023 7:05 PM
To: Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)
Subject: I Support Holding DTE Accountable for Reimbursing Residents

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Sincerely,
Jennifer Veiga
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Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)

From: capadilla88@everyactionadvocacy.com on behalf of Carlos Padilla <capadilla88@everyactionadvocacy.com>
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To: Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)
Subject: I Support Holding DTE Accountable for Reimbursing Residents

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Carlos Padilla
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Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)

From: kristengolemb@everyactionadvocacy.com on behalf of Kristen Golembiewski <kristengolemb@everyactionadvocacy.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 1, 2023 7:03 PM
To: Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)
Subject: I Support Holding DTE Accountable for Reimbursing Residents

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But it doesn't have to be this way. Michiganders shouldn't go days on end without power while nothing is done because we haven't mustered the political courage to stand up to an investor-owned utility bully.

That is why I am writing to encourage you to stand firmly in your values & show people whose side you're on. Customers deserve automatic, hourly compensation for hours in the dark – and utilities should not be able to raise rates to cover the costs of compensation if they perform worse than their peers in the industry.

We need reliable, affordable, people-centered energy that meets the needs of all Michiganders. When the power goes out, it's always an inconvenience, but for many it can have huge consequences for their health and finances.

Will you take action to reimburse customers who've been consistently failed by DTE, and take further action to hold DTE accountable for the damage they've caused our communities?

Thank you,

Sincerely,
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Rep. Helena Scott (District 7)

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Dear Representative Helena Scott,

I recently learned that DTE wants to raise rates again. Our power service is already unreliable, and a rate increase without an associated improvement in reliability is not acceptable.

Please help to hold DTE and Consumers Energy accountable for the recent outages. They must improve their performance. They hold natural monopolies in their service areas and cannot take their customer base for granted.

Sincerely,
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