

CMS ENERGY CORP  
Form 8-K  
May 04, 2018

**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
**Washington, D.C. 20549**

**FORM 8-K**

**CURRENT REPORT**  
**PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF**  
**THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

**Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported) May 4, 2018**

**Commission**  
**File Number**  
**1-9513**

**Registrant; State of Incorporation;**  
**Address; and Telephone Number**  
**CMS ENERGY CORPORATION**

**IRS Employer**  
**Identification No.**  
**38-2726431**

**(A Michigan Corporation)**

**One Energy Plaza**

**Jackson, Michigan 49201**

**(517) 788-0550**

**1-5611**

**CONSUMERS ENERGY COMPANY**

**38-0442310**

**(A Michigan Corporation)**

**One Energy Plaza**

**Jackson, Michigan 49201**

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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter). Emerging growth company: CMS Energy Corporation

Consumers Energy Company

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**Item 5.07. Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders.****CMS ENERGY CORPORATION**

At the CMS Energy Corporation ( CMS Energy ) 2018 annual meeting of shareholders held on May 4, 2018, the shareholders of CMS Energy voted upon the proposals as described in its proxy statement dated March 22, 2018. The results of the shareholder votes are as follows.

**1.** Proposal to elect ten members to the CMS Energy board of directors. All of the nominees were elected with the votes for individual nominees as follows:

Number of Votes:

	<u>FOR</u>	<u>AGAINST</u>	<u>ABSTAIN</u>	<u>BROKER NON-VOTE</u>
Jon E. Barfield	220,531,945	2,670,287	214,993	17,578,388
Deborah H. Butler	222,845,365	240,296	331,564	17,578,388
Kurt L. Darrow	222,463,629	735,273	218,323	17,578,388
Stephen E. Ewing	222,821,294	343,904	252,027	17,578,388
William D. Harvey	222,938,446	258,948	219,831	17,578,388
Patricia K. Poppe	222,961,935	261,562	193,728	17,578,388
John G. Russell	221,703,425	1,478,724	235,076	17,578,388
Myrna M. Soto	222,949,341	267,413	200,471	17,578,388
John G. Sznewajs	222,964,771	238,201	214,253	17,578,388
Laura H. Wright	222,108,031	1,072,422	236,772	17,578,388

**2.** Non-binding advisory proposal to approve the compensation paid to CMS Energy's named executive officers, as disclosed in its proxy statement pursuant to the compensation disclosure rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission, including the *Compensation Discussion and Analysis*, the compensation tables and the related narrative disclosure, was approved, with a vote as follows:

Number of Votes:

<u>FOR</u>	<u>AGAINST</u>	<u>ABSTAIN</u>	<u>BROKER NON-VOTE</u>
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220,067,192  
99%

2,952,163  
1%

397,870

17,578,388

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3. Proposal to ratify the appointment of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP as the independent registered public accounting firm to audit CMS Energy's financial statements for the year ending December 31, 2018 was approved, with a vote as follows:

Number of Votes:

<u>FOR</u>	<u>AGAINST</u>	<u>ABSTAIN</u>	<u>BROKER NON-VOTE</u>
236,930,090	3,773,560	291,963	0

4. Shareholder proposal relating to political contributions disclosure, more fully described in its proxy statement, was not approved, with a vote as follows:

Number of Votes:

<u>FOR</u>	<u>AGAINST</u>	<u>ABSTAIN</u>	<u>BROKER NON-VOTE</u>
99,037,582	120,270,951	4,108,692	17,578,388

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**CONSUMERS ENERGY COMPANY**

At the concurrent Consumers Energy Company ( Consumers ) 2018 annual meeting of shareholders, the shareholders of Consumers voted upon the proposals as described in its proxy statement dated March 22, 2018. The results of the shareholder votes are as follows.

**1.** Proposal to elect ten members to the Consumers board of directors. All of the nominees were elected with the votes for individual nominees as follows:

Number of Votes:

	<u>FOR</u>	<u>AGAINST</u>	<u>ABSTAIN</u>	<u>BROKER NON-VOTE</u>
Jon E. Barfield	84,198,400	4,170	4,678	186,170
Deborah H. Butler	84,198,021	4,819	4,408	186,170
Kurt L. Darrow	84,197,263	5,577	4,408	186,170
Stephen E. Ewing	84,197,523	5,317	4,408	186,170
William D. Harvey	84,197,360	5,480	4,408	186,170
Patricia K. Poppe	84,199,200	3,340	4,708	186,170
John G. Russell	84,199,063	3,777	4,408	186,170
Myrna M. Soto	84,199,313	3,527	4,408	186,170
John G. Szniewajs	84,198,963	3,877	4,408	186,170
Laura H. Wright	84,199,460	3,555	4,233	186,170

**2.** Non-binding advisory proposal to approve the compensation paid to Consumers named executive officers, as disclosed in its proxy statement pursuant to the compensation disclosure rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission, including the *Compensation Discussion and Analysis*, the compensation tables and the related narrative disclosure, was approved, with a vote as follows:

Number of Votes:

<u>FOR</u>	<u>AGAINST</u>	<u>ABSTAIN</u>	<u>BROKER NON-VOTE</u>
84,184,228	16,256	6,764	186,170



3. Non-binding vote on the frequency of holding a shareholder advisory vote on executive compensation as voted on as follows:

Number of Votes:

<u>1 YEAR</u>	<u>2 YEARS</u>	<u>3 YEARS</u>	<u>ABSTAIN</u>	<u>BROKER NON-VOTE</u>
84,192,338	5,024	4,439	5,447	186,170

As a result of the outcome of the vote by shareholders at the annual meeting of shareholders on May 4, 2018 regarding the frequency of an advisory vote by the shareholders on executive compensation, the Consumers Board of Directors approved and adopted an annual frequency (one year) for future advisory votes by shareholders on executive compensation, until further action of the Consumers Board of Directors.

4. Proposal to ratify the appointment of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP as the independent registered public accounting firm to audit Consumers financial statements for the year ending December 31, 2018 was approved, with a vote as follows:

Number of Votes:

<u>FOR</u>	<u>AGAINST</u>	<u>ABSTAIN</u>	<u>BROKER NON-VOTE</u>
84,375,359	9,877	8,182	0

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**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrants have duly caused this report to be signed on their behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

**CMS ENERGY CORPORATION**

Dated: May 4, 2018

By: /s/ Melissa M. Gleespen  
Melissa M. Gleespen  
Vice President, Corporate Secretary and  
Chief Compliance Officer

**CONSUMERS ENERGY COMPANY**

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