

CMS ENERGY CORP  
Form 8-K  
November 25, 2015

**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) **November 23, 2015**

Commission  
File Number

**1-9513**

Registrant; State of Incorporation;  
Address; and Telephone Number

**CMS ENERGY CORPORATION**

(A Michigan Corporation)  
**One Energy Plaza**  
**Jackson, Michigan 49201**  
**(517) 788-0550**

IRS Employer  
Identification No.

**38-2726431**

**1-5611**

**CONSUMERS ENERGY COMPANY**

(A Michigan Corporation)  
**One Energy Plaza**  
**Jackson, Michigan 49201**  
**(517) 788-0550**

**38-0442310**

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  - o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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**Item 1.01. Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.**

On November 23, 2015, Consumers Energy Company ( Consumers ), a principal subsidiary of CMS Energy Corporation, entered a \$250 million secured Revolving Credit Agreement ( Agreement ) with The Bank of Nova Scotia. Obligations under the Agreement are secured by first mortgage bonds of Consumers issued pursuant to the 126th Supplemental Indenture dated as of November 23, 2015 to the Indenture dated as of September 1, 1945, between Consumers and The Bank of New York Mellon, Trustee.

The Agreement has a 2 year term, which currently expires on November 23, 2017 and contains certain customary affirmative and negative covenants. Consumers expects any drawings under this Agreement will be used for general corporate purposes.

The Bank of Nova Scotia has provided banking and underwriting services to Consumers in the ordinary course of business.

The foregoing description of the Agreement does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by the provisions of the Agreement, which is attached hereto as Exhibit 10.1 and incorporated by reference herein.

**Item 1.02. Termination of a Material Definitive Agreement.**

On November 23, 2015, Consumers terminated its \$250 million revolving accounts receivables sales program. A description of the accounts receivables sales program, is set forth in Consumers Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended September 30, 2015 filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on October 29, 2015 and incorporated herein by reference.

On November 23, 2015, Consumers terminated its \$250 million Amended and Restated Receivables Purchase Agreement, ( Purchase Agreement ), dated November 23, 2010, as amended. The parties to the Purchase Agreement were Consumers Receivables Funding II, LLC, Consumers, Liberty Street LLC and The Bank of Nova Scotia. In addition, on November 23, 2015, Consumers terminated its Receivables Sale Agreement ( Sale Agreement ), dated as of May 22, 2003, as amended. The parties to the Sale Agreement were Consumers Receivables Funding II, LLC and Consumers.

The Bank of Nova Scotia has provided banking and underwriting services to Consumers in the ordinary course of business.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

**(d) Exhibits.**

- 4.1 126th Supplemental Indenture dated as of November 23, 2015 between Consumers and The Bank of New York Mellon, as Trustee

10.1 \$250 million secured Revolving Credit Agreement dated as of November 23, 2015 between Consumers and The Bank of Nova Scotia

**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: November 25, 2015

By: /s/ Thomas J. Webb  
Thomas J. Webb  
Executive Vice President and  
Chief Financial Officer

**CONSUMERS ENERGY COMPANY**

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