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Richard J. Ford is vice president of generation operations for Consumers Energy, the principal subsidiary of CMS Energy, with overall responsibility for the operation of the company's fossil-fueled and hydroelectric generating units. He also serves as president of CMS Engineering.

Prior to his current position, Ford was vice president of energy delivery and was responsible for the engineering, planning and budgeting of the utility's electric and natural gas assets. Ford was named to this position in 2008.

From 2005 to 2008, Ford was the site business manager for Consumers Energy's Karn/Weadock Generating Complex in Essexville, Mich. He also served as network services manager with statewide responsibilities for substation maintenance, operations and construction from 2002 to 2005.

Before 2002, Ford held increasingly responsible engineering and management positions in the company's electric system operations, electric transmission and distribution field operations, and generation areas. He joined the company in 1977 as a graduate engineer in the power resources and system planning department in Jackson, Mich.

Ford graduated from Michigan Technological University with a bachelor of science degree in electrical engineering. He is a member of the National Society of Professional Engineers.

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