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Lynette Dowler is president and chair of the DTE Energy Foundation and vice president of Public Affairs for DTE Energy. In addition to the foundation, Dowler leads all corporate social responsibility (CSR) work, including volunteerism, community outreach, neighborhood revitalization and the project management office for CSR activities. She also manages nonprofit board service for senior leadership to maximize impact in the communities where DTE’s 10,000-plus employees live and serve.

During her career at DTE, Dowler has served in senior leadership roles across the organization, including director of corporate safety and nuclear supply chain management; she was also director of the company’s River Rouge and Trenton Channel Power Plants. In her most recent role as president of the DTE Energy Foundation, Dowler brought operational expertise, strategic focus and inspiration to develop grant programs, and to review and direct grants to more than 300 nonprofit organizations across Michigan. She ensured the Foundation’s investments created maximum statewide impact by aligning them with – and tailoring them to – priority giving areas, including arts and culture, basic human needs, community transformation, economic progress, education and employment, and environment. This is work she continues to develop in her expanded role as DTE Foundation’s chair.

Dowler remains active in the community through a variety of nonprofit roles and leadership positions with a personal mission to support those who need it the most, when they need it the most. This is a mission that fits hand-in-glove with DTE’s aspiration to be a force for good in communities across Michigan.

In addition to her role at DTE, Dowler chairs the Monroe County Community College Board of Trustees. She also serves on the boards of The Parade Company and the Sphinx Organization. She is also an active volunteer with Selah’s Center of Hope, which supports homeless and expectant women, and with New Hope Moldova, which works to eliminate human trafficking.

Dowler earned her bachelor’s and master’s degrees in business administration from the University of Toledo.

DTE Energy (NYSE: DTE) is a Detroit-based diversified energy company involved in the development and management of energy-related businesses and services nationwide. Its operating units include an electric company serving 2.3 million customers in Southeast Michigan and a natural gas company serving 1.3 million customers in Michigan. The DTE portfolio also includes non-utility businesses focused on industrial energy services, renewable natural gas, and energy marketing and trading. As an environmental leader, DTE utility operations will reduce carbon dioxide and methane emissions by more than 80% by 2040 to produce cleaner energy while keeping it safe, reliable and affordable. DTE Electric and Gas aspire to achieve net zero carbon and greenhouse gas emissions by 2050. DTE is committed to serving with its energy through volunteerism, education and employment initiatives, philanthropy and economic progress. Information about DTE is available at dteenergy.com, empoweringmichigan.com, twitter.com/dte_energy and facebook.com/dteenergy.