

Biography



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Randall Rutkofske is vice president for legal utility operations for DTE Energy (NYSE: DTE), 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 utility serving 2.1 million customers in Southeastern Michigan and a natural gas utility serving 1.2 million customers in Michigan. The DTE Energy portfolio includes non-utility energy businesses focused on power and industrial projects, natural gas pipelines, gathering and storage, and energy marketing and trading. As one of Michigan's leading corporate citizens, DTE Energy is a force for growth and prosperity in the 450 Michigan communities it serves in a variety of ways, including philanthropy, volunteerism and economic progress.

As vice president, Rutkofske is responsible for strategic oversight of the legal affairs of DTE Electric and DTE Gas. Prior to his current position, Rutkofske spent more than 25 years in various legal roles of increasing responsibility with DTE Energy. In 2009 Rutkofske was appointed General Counsel for DTE Electric, DTE's largest operating subsidiary. In 1999 Rutkofske was appointed to Director Legal and became responsible for leading multiple functional legal groups. Since 1999 Rutkofske held senior leadership roles over several legal functional areas including: Regulatory/Environmental, General Litigation, Employment/Benefits, Legal Investigations and Legal Administration/Technology/Continuous Improvement. Prior to these legal leadership assignments, Rutkofske spent nearly 10 years as a litigation attorney.

Prior to performing legal roles, Rutkofske spent nearly 10 years providing human resources, labor relations and financial/business support in various leadership roles in several DTE Electric generating facilities. From 1982 to 1987 he led the business activities associated with the initial start-up and commercial operation of DTE Electric's Belle River Power Plant. In total, Rutkofske has more than 35 years of experience in the business and legal affairs of DTE Energy, where he has worked in various executive leadership roles.

He earned a bachelor's degree from Michigan State University and a juris doctorate degree from the University of Detroit Mercy.