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and maintenance departments, to a new facility to be built at the Racer Trust site off of W. Saginaw St. and Stanley St. on Lansing's West side.

Eckert, scheduled to retire in 2020, was first constructed in 1922 and over the years has been instrumental in powering Lansing's growth into a major American manufacturing center for automobiles and shaping today's diversified economy. Erickson was first built in 1973 and is planned to retire in 2025 as the BWL expands its clean energy portfolio. Retiring these two plants will allow the BWL to become the biggest utility in Michigan that's coal free by 2025.

BWL General Manager Dick Peffley said the team dedicated to finding the location for the new plant came across a viable 50 acres of land at the Racer Trust site in its search, and contingent upon site

review and negotiations determined it would be best used to relocate the Penn-Hazel Complex. The outdated Penn-Hazel Complex is on Pennsylvania Ave., south of I-496 and located in a flood zone. It consists of five buildings covering approximately 25 acres and housing 200 employees.

BWL's Lansing Energy Tomorrow plan is committed to provide customers 30 percent clean energy by the end of 2020 and 40 percent clean energy by 2030. These ambitious goals stem from the recommendation of the BWL's Citizen Advisory Committee in 2015 and the BWL Strategic Plan in 2016. The result is a projected 80 percent reduction in carbon emissions by the end of 2025 when the BWL retires its last coal-fired power plant.

More information about the BWL's clean energy plan can be found at LansingEnergyTomorrow.com.



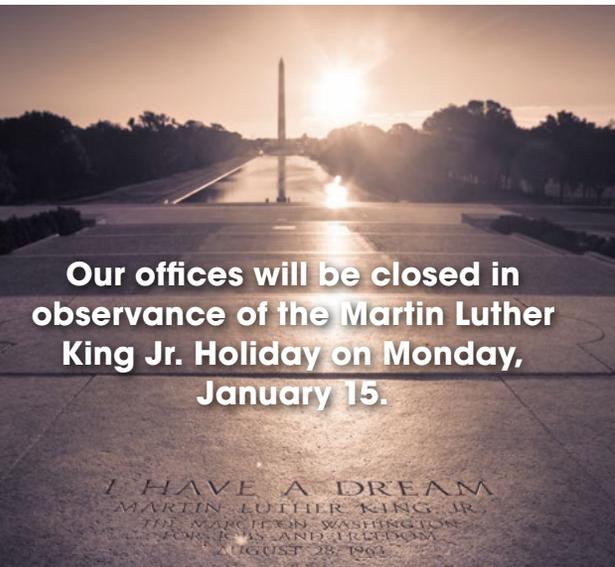
New BWL Natural Gas-fired Power Plant

Solar Power is Here

Panels are available to lease at the MI Community Solar Park! Community solar allows customers in the BWL electric service territory the opportunity to support solar energy without having to install panels on their property. Solar supporters will sign a 25 year lease and pay a single, upfront cost of \$399 per panel. The BWL will provide a monthly on-bill credit to lessees, reflective of the amount of solar energy generated per panel.

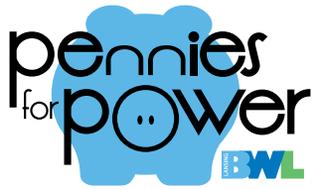
Leases are limited. Reserve your panels now and support clean, local, renewable energy today!

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Our offices will be closed in observance of the Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday on Monday, January 15.

*I HAVE A DREAM
MARTIN LUTHER KING JR.
THE MARCH ON WASHINGTON
FOR JOBS AND FREEDOM
AUGUST 28, 1963*



Pennies for Power helps provide shut-off protection for BWL customers who are struggling to make ends meet.

There are three ways to help:



Round Up

We will round your monthly utility bill up to the next whole dollar and contribute the difference.



Round Up and Add \$1

You can round up your monthly bill to the next whole dollar, add a dollar to your bill each month or round up and add a dollar.



One Time Donation

Enclosed is a check for \$ _____ as my one-time contribution to Pennies for Power.

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Date: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

BWL Account Number: _____

Mail to:
Board of Water & Light
PO Box 13007
Lansing, MI 48901-3007

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Report Outages

Power, Downed Line or Streetlight
877-295-5001

Outage Center
lbwl.com/outagecenter

BWL Mobile App
lbwl.com/app

Outage Texting
898295/txtbwl

Water Main Break
517-702-6490

Medical Alert Form

If in-home medical equipment depends on electricity, sign up for our medical alert list. Call 517-702-6006, or go to **lbwl.com** and click on Medical Alert Form.

Seniors Shut-off Protection

If you are 65 or older, the BWL will not shut off your electricity during the heating season. Call 517-702-6006.

Military Families

Families with active members of the U.S. Military are protected from shut-offs. Call 517-702-6006.

Winter Shut-off Protection

Customers having difficulties paying their utility bills may qualify for a winter protection plan. Call 517-702-6006.



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BWL Announces \$500 Million Natural Gas-fired Power Plant

The BWL announced it will build a new, cleaner and efficient \$500 million natural gas-fired power plant to complement its investment in renewable energy projects and its energy efficiency programs. The new plant will generate 250 megawatts and create 1,200 construction jobs. It will be located at the Erickson Power Station facility in Delta Township as part of its Lansing Energy Tomorrow plan, which includes retiring the BWL's coal-fired Eckert plant. Additionally, following the completion of the new plant expected in 2021, the BWL will relocate its Penn-Hazel Complex, including its warehouse and line, water, fleet

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Eckert Power Plant