Net zero goals likely to turn off Michigan's electricity grid[1]

Grid operator projects insufficient electric capacity by 2032

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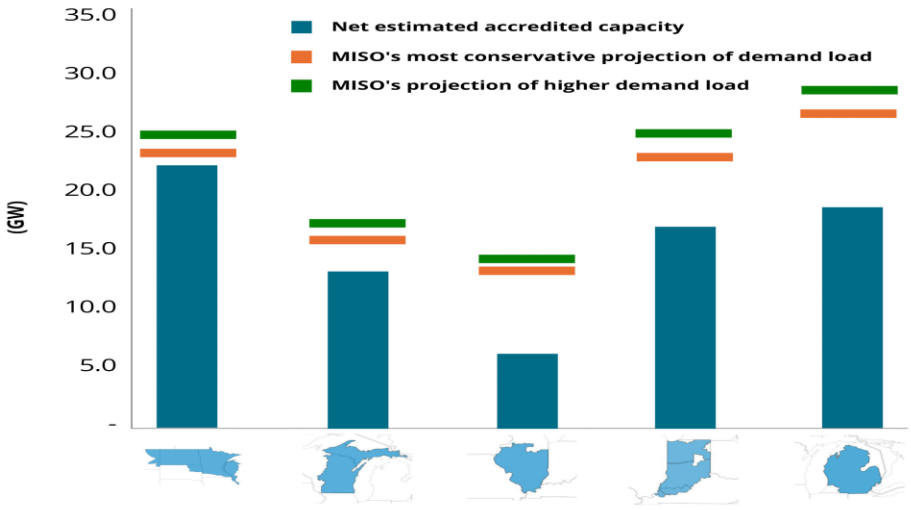
If Michigan continues toward net zero emissions, it could lose reliable electricity, with a federal regulator and regional electric grid officials warning of substantial energy losses that could come within eight years.

"Net zero" energy plans in multiple states throughout the Great Lakes region are moving residents and businesses toward a cascading power loss wherein states seek to buy energy from neighboring states, only to find those states have nothing to sell.

That's according to a study from the Mackinac Center for Public Policy. "Shorting the Great Lakes Grid" is written by research analyst Joshua Antonini and Jason Hayes, director of energy and environmental policy…

The Midcontinent Independent Systems Operator, the main Midwest grid operator, projects that by 2032, none of the five Great Lakes states in its territory will have enough electricity capacity to meet even the most conservative projection of electricity demands.



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