



## Knut A. Simonsen

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Knut A. Simonsen is senior vice president of DTE Gas Storage and Pipelines, one of the nation's leading natural gas storage operators and an owner of a network of gas transmission and gathering pipelines serving the Midwest, Northeast and Ontario regions. The company is an operating unit of 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.

Simonsen is responsible for driving growth and business strategy for the company. He directs the expansion of DTE's gas midstream business and provides leadership in business planning, mergers and acquisitions, development and new business transactions. Previously, Simonsen had responsibility for DTE Electric's Fuel Supply, Integrated Resource Planning, and Business Planning and Development groups.

Previously, Simonsen was responsible for DTE Energy's overall corporate strategy, mergers and acquisitions, and new business growth. This included early growth of the Gas Storage and Pipelines business, including the acquisition of Duke's interest in the Vector pipeline. Successfully founded the Barnett shale production business in Ft. Worth in 2003, and divested with strong gains in 2007.

Simonsen joined DTE Energy in 2000 from McKinsey & Company's Dallas, Texas office. At McKinsey, he was a management consultant specializing in the energy industry serving gas and electric utilities and oil & gas companies. Prior to McKinsey, Simonsen was Project Manager for Texaco based in New York with responsibility for project development in the Americas and Europe. Previously, Simonsen was an Assistant Treasurer in the Project Finance group of Den Norske Bank in New York, with responsibility for project financings in wind, hydro, wood and gas-fired power projects.

Simonsen earned a bachelor of science degree in petroleum engineering from Texas A&M University, and a master of business administration degree from Columbia University in New York with a concentration in finance.