

Brunner James E  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Brunner James E

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
ONE ENERGY PLAZA  
  
(Street)

JACKSON, MI 49201

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
CMS ENERGY CORP [CMS]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
08/13/2012

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_\_\_ Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
SVP & General Counsel

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)			
			Code	V	Amount or Price					
Common Stock	08/13/2012		A		27,500 (1)	A	\$ 0	232,638	D (2)	
Common Stock	08/13/2012		F		25,682	D	\$ 23.89	206,956	D	
Common Stock	08/14/2012		S		45,000	D	\$ 23.702	161,956	D	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

Table with 10 columns: 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3), 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security, 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year), 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year), 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8), 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5), 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year), 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4), 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5), 9. Nu... Deriv... Secur... Bene... Own... Follo... Repo... Trans... (Instr...

# Reporting Owners

Table with 2 main columns: Reporting Owner Name / Address, Relationships. Relationships sub-columns: Director, 10% Owner, Officer, Other. Entry: Brunner James E, ONE ENERGY PLAZA, JACKSON, MI 49201, SVP & General Counsel.

# Signatures

Catherine M. Reynolds, Attny-In-Fact, 08/14/2012. \*\*Signature of Reporting Person, Date.

# Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
\*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
(1) Shares of Common Stock of CMS Energy Corporation ("CMS") acquired as a result of CMS exceeding certain performance criteria established under the 2009 Restricted Stock Award granted to the reporting person in accordance with the provisions of the CMS Performance Incentive Stock Plan.
(2) The total holdings reflect an adjustment of 1,348 additional shares of Common Stock of CMS Energy Corporation ("CMS") acquired as a result of the reporting person's participation in the CMS Stock Purchase Plan, and an adjustment of 1,558 additional shares of Restricted Stock purchased on behalf of the reporting person as a result of an automatic acquisition of Restricted Stock in lieu of cash dividends pursuant to the terms of the award granted to the reporting person in accordance with the provisions of the CMS Performance Incentive Stock Plan.

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