460.55 Additional reports; verification; rules of commission; penalties.

Sec. 5. In addition to the reports now required to be made by any public utility under the laws of the state relating to the Michigan railroad commission, it shall be competent for the public utilities commission to require the making of such additional and further reports and the supplying of such data as is reasonably necessary for the proper performance of the powers and duties hereby contemplated. Any report required to be made by a utility operated and controlled by a corporation, joint stock company or association shall be verified by the affidavit of the president and secretary thereof. In all other cases such verification shall be made by the owner, or 1 of them, or by the general manager. Said commission shall have power and authority to make, adopt and enforce rules and regulations for the conduct of its business and the proper discharge of its functions hereunder, and all persons dealing with the commission or interested in any matter or proceedings pending before it shall be bound by such rules and regulations. The commission shall also have authority to make and prescribe regulations for the conducting of the business of public utilities, subject to the jurisdiction thereof, and it shall be the duty of every corporation, joint stock company, association or individual owning, managing or operating any such utility to obey such rules and regulations. Any such corporation, joint stock company, association or individual refusing or neglecting so to do, or refusing or neglecting to make any report required hereunder, shall be liable to a penalty of not less than 100 dollars nor more than 1,000 dollars; and the officer or individual in default shall also be deemed to be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be subject to a fine of not less than 10 dollars nor more than 1,000 dollars, or to imprisonment in the county jail not more than 6 months, or both such fine and imprisonment in the discretion of the court.
