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36. OTHER CHARGES AND ADJUSTMENTS (Cont'd)

C. Renewable Portfolio Standard (RPS) Charge

The Renewable Portfolio Standard (RPS) Charge is designed to recover the costs of public policy programs approved for funding by the Public Service Commission to increase the percentage of electricity used by retail customers in New York State that is derived from renewable resources. The RPS Charge will be applied to the energy (kWh) deliveries on the bills of all full service and delivery service customers served under this Schedule, excluding energy delivered by the Company which is supplied through a Power For Jobs allocation. The RPS factor will be stated in whole \$0.00001 amounts per kilowatthour and will be the same for all applicable Service Classifications. The RPS factor will be determined, at a minimum, on an annual basis to be effective October 1, and will include a reconciliation of RPS recoveries (eleven months actual, one month forecast) with the target amount.

Not less than fifteen (15) days prior to a proposed change in the RPS, a statement showing the RPS factor and the effective date will be filed with the Public Service Commission apart from this Schedule. Such Statement shall be made available to the public at Company offices.

For billing purposes, the RPS charge will be combined with the System Benefits Charge, as described in General Information Section 36.A, with the combined amount shown as one line item on customer bills.

D. <u>Supplemental Benefit Credit</u>

Each residential customer who receives a HEAP benefit for their Central Hudson bill during the period November 1, 2005 through April 1, 2006 will receive a one-time supplemental benefit credit of \$200 applied to their Central Hudson account. Each customer will be entitled to only one supplemental benefit credit regardless of whether the customer takes electric and gas service from the Company.

The provision of supplemental benefit credits will be funded from the balance of surplus funds in the Powerful Opportunities Program. In the event that the total amount of supplemental credits provided to customers exceeds the balance of funds available, Central Hudson will defer the difference for future recovery.

The provision of supplemental benefit credits complies with the New York State Public Service Commission's Order in Case Nos. 00-E-1273 and 00-G-1274 issued and effective January 18, 2006.

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