..DID: 15907 ..TXT: PSC NO: 15 ELECTRICITY LEAF: 53.3 COMPANY: CENTRAL HUDSON GAS & ELECTRIC CORPORATION REVISION: 1 INITIAL EFFECTIVE DATE: 06/15/01 SUPERSEDING REVISION: 0 STAMPS: Issued in Compliance with Order in C.94-E-0952 dated May 29, 2001 RECEIVED: 06/14/01 STATUS: Effective EFFECTIVE: 06/15/01

12.1 COMPETITIVE METERING (Cont'd.)

- D. <u>SWITCHING REQUIREMENTS</u> (Cont'd.)
 - 3. The formal switch of meter ownership for customer credit purposes will occur on the regularly scheduled meter reading/billing date.
 - (c) Frequency of Subsequent Switches

Metering service customers may voluntarily choose to return to Central Hudson for metering services; or, voluntarily switch to another MSP subject to the following restrictions:

- 1. Customers voluntarily switching to another MSP or returning to Central Hudson metering service may be subject to restrictions in their agreement with their current MSP/MDSP;
- Customers are prohibited from frequently switching among MSP/MDSPs. Switches among MSPs/MDSPs are limited to once per year.
- (d) Switching Fees
 - Central Hudson will charge a fee of twenty (\$20) dollars to a qualifying customer's authorized MSP to switch from Central Hudson's metering service to the MSP's metering service;
 - 2. Central Hudson will not charge a customer for the first voluntary switch from a MSP back to Central Hudson metering services during the first twelve months following a customer's initial meter switch;
 - 3. Central Hudson will charge the customer a switching fee of one hundred fifty (\$150) dollars per meter for each subsequent voluntary MSP switch;
 - 4. Central Hudson will not charge the customer for involuntary switches (those initiated by a MSP/MDSP without the customer's express authorization); however, the MSP/MDSP will be charged all reasonable costs incurred by Central Hudson to re-establish Central Hudson metering services;