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> > October 29, 2002

Public Service Commission Three Empire State Plaza Albany, NY 12223

Re: Extension of Emergency Demand Response Program

Dear Commissioners:

The amended tariff leaves set forth below are filed by Central Hudson Gas & Electric Corporation ("Central Hudson" or the "Company") on October 29, 2002 to become effective November 29, 2002 to extend the expiration date of the Emergency Demand Response Program ("EDRP") from October 31, 2002 to December 31, 2002.

P.S.C. No. 15 - Electricity

2nd Revised Leaf No. 184.3 2nd Revised Leaf No. 202.3 2nd Revised Leaf No. 267.3

The EDRP offered by the Company is operated in conjunction with the EDRP tariff provisions of the New York Independent System Operator ("NYISO") and is available to customers taking service under Service Classification Nos. 2, 3, and 13 of this schedule. Currently, the Company's EDRP is scheduled to expire October 31, 2002, consistent with the NYISO tariff. Central Hudson has been informed that the NYISO intends to file, with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, an extension of its existing EDRP tariff through December 31, 2002, with an additional filing following shortly thereafter to modify and extend the EDRP through 2005.

In order to avoid any gap in the EDRP, the Company is requesting that the tariff amendments referenced above be allowed to go in to effect on short notice, November 1, 2002, on an emergency basis under SAPA requirements. Further, as the requested extension impacts a limited number of customers and would make the EDRP available in the event of an emergency, the Company is requesting that the requirements of 66((12)(b)) of the Public Service Law as to newspaper publication be waived.

Questions related to this filing should be directed to Glynis L. Bunt at $845\mathchar`-486\mathchar`-5420\mat$

Yours very truly,

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