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January 25, 2001

Public Service Commission Three Empire State Plaza Albany, New York 12223-1350

Dear Commissioners:

By Order of the Commission, issued and effective January 24, 2001 in Case 99-M-0631, Central Hudson suspends through May 31, 2001 the effectiveness of the gas rate leaves which were filed on October 31, 2000 to become effective on February 1, 2001. The rate schedule supplement attached and listed below is filed in compliance with that Order.

PSC. No. 12 - Gas Supplement No. 5

Very truly yours,

Arthur R. Upright