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March 31, 2004

Public Service Commission Three Empire State Plaza Albany, NY 12223

## Re: CHG&E Compliance Filing: Case 02-E-1108 Standby Rates

Dear Commissioners:

In compliance with Ordering Clause 5 of the Commission's Order in Case 02-E-1108, issued and effective December 4, 2003 ("December Order"), and Ordering Clause 3 of the Commission's Order in Case 02-E-0551, <u>et al.</u>, issued and effective January 23, 2004 ("January Order"), Central Hudson Gas & Electric Corporation ("Central Hudson" or "the Company"), hereby files the attached amended tariff leaves. These amendments, which are set forth below, are issued March 31, 2004 to become effective July 1, 2004.

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The purpose of this filing is to effectuate the Joint Proposal's terms, as adopted in the December Order, and to effectuate the provisions adopted in the January Order regarding the provision of standby service.

The standby service provided under Service Classification No. 14 is generally applicable to any customer operating on-site generation ("OSG") with a total nameplate rating greater than, or expected to be greater than, 15% of the customer's maximum potential demand, and where the customer elects to have Central Hudson supply and/or deliver energy by means of the Company's delivery facilities. With certain exceptions, all OSG customers who decline service under S.C. No. 14 are required to electrically isolate themselves from the Company's electric system and the Company will not be required to maintain or supply service to such customers. The delivery portion of the S.C. No. 14 rates is comprised of three components: (1) a Customer Charge, (2) a Contract Demand Charge and, (3) an As-Used Demand Charge. The Contract Demand level can be established by either the Customer or by Central Hudson. If a customer elects to nominate a Contract Demand level and the customer's actual metered demand exceeds this level, the customer may be subject to Contract Demand Adjustment Charges in accordance with the provisions of S.C. No. 14.

Customers taking standby service may elect to purchase their electricity requirements from a retail supplier under the Company's Retail Access Program or from Central Hudson. Interval-metered customers purchasing their electricity requirements from the Company may elect service under the Hourly Pricing Provision. The provisions of the Company's Market Price Charge and Market Price Adjustment will apply to all other electricity provided and sold by the Company.

S.C. No. 14 offers optional standby service rate phase-ins for certain designated technologies and existing OSG customers, as more completely defined in the December and January Orders. In accordance with the tariff, a customer electing a phase-in will be billed based on the rates of their Parent Service Classification (or otherwise applicable Service Classification), plus a percentage of the difference, if greater than zero, between the standby service rates and the rates under the Parent Service Classification. In addition, a onetime election for permanent exemption from standby service rates is available to designated technology customers with OSG that is operational by May 31, 2006.

Pursuant to Ordering Clause 6 of the Commission's December Order and Ordering Clause 4 of the Commission's January Order, the requirements of 66(12)(b) of the Public Service Law as to newspaper publication have been waived.

Questions related to this filing should be directed to Glynis L. Bunt at (845) 486-5420.

Yours very truly,

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