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Public Service Commission
Three Empire State Plaza
Albany, NY 12223

Case 11-M-0542 Excelsior Jobs Program: Central Hudson Compliance Filing

Dear Commissioners:

The tariff leaves set forth below are filed by Central Hudson Gas & Electric Corporation (“the Company”) on February 29, 2012 to become effective June 1, 2012 in compliance with the Commission’s Notice to File Proposed Tariff Provisions (“Notice”) issued December 9, 2011 (reflecting the 15-day extension of the tariff filing requirement granted by the Secretary on February 14, 2012):

P.S.C. No. 12 – Gas

8th Revised Leaf No. 3
3rd Revised Leaf No. 135
3rd Revised Leaf No. 136
2nd Revised Leaf No. 137
4th Revised Leaf No. 138

P.S.C. No. 15 – Electricity

23rd Revised Leaf No. 3
Original Leaf No. 163.5.33
Original Leaf No. 163.5.34
Original Leaf No. 163.5.35

Chapter 61 of the Laws of 2011 amended Section 66 of the Public Service Law to provide special excelsior jobs program (“EJP”) rates for electric and gas service equal to the incremental cost of providing service to participants in the excelsior jobs program. The amendments filed herein provide for the implementation of the EJP rates, with the rates designed pursuant to the requirements in paragraphs 1 through 3 of the aforementioned Notice.

Specifically, while the Company does not have existing Empire Zone rates, it did submit a gas marginal cost of service study in its last major rate case (Case 09-G-0589). The results of this study were utilized in the development of the gas EJP rates filed herein.

In contrast, the Company did not submit an electric marginal cost of service study in its last major rate case (Case 09-E-0588). As a result, the Company utilized the Transmission Service Charge developed and published monthly by the New York Independent System Operator as the basis for the marginal transmission cost reflected in its proposed EJP rate for Service Classification No. 13 – Transmission (“SC 13 T”). The ratio of the existing energy delivery charge revenue, as per the approved Rate Plan in Case 09-E-0588, converted to a per kWh basis as applicable for each service class/sub-class as compared to SC 13 T was applied to the SC 13 T EJP rate to estimate the EJP rate for each service class/sub-class.

Work papers will be provided to Department of Public Service Staff under separate cover.

Since it is anticipated that the EJP will affect a limited number of the Company's customers, and these customers will be in direct contact with Empire State Development, and most likely the Company, the Company requests that the requirement of Section 66(12)(b) of the Public Service Law as to newspaper publications of these amendments be waived.

Questions related to this filing should be directed to Glynis Bunt (845-486-5420 or gbunt@cenhud.com) or Linda VanEtten (845-486-5554 or lvanetten@cenhud.com).

Yours very truly,

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