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## CENTRAL HUDSON GAS & ELECTRIC CORPORATION 284 SOUTH AVENUE POUGHKEEPSIE, NEW YORK 12601

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

Dear Commissioners:

## Re: SBC and EEPS Authorized Collections

(Case 05-M-0090, Issued and Effective December 30, 2010, Errata Notice Issued February 1, 2011;

Case 07-M-0548 Order Issued and Effective August 22, 2011 and October 25, 2011;

Case 08-E-1127, et al., Order Issued and Effective October 23, 2009 and January 4, 2010;

Case 10-M-0457, Order Issued and Effective October 24, 2011)

In compliance with the Public Service Commission's Orders in the above referenced proceedings, Central Hudson Gas & Electric Corporation hereby files the following revised statement to become effective on January 4, 2012, coincident with the Company's first January billing batch.

## P.S.C No. 15 – Electricity

Statement of System Benefits Charge and Renewable Portfolio Standard Charge

SBC - 24

The revision reflects the Commission's approval as reflected in the aforementioned Orders to collect funds from electric ratepayers to fund both NYSERDA and Company administered programs.

Further, this revision reflects the Commission's authorization of incremental funds for commercial electric energy efficiency programs for 2011, as reflected in the August 22, 2011 Order. This Order gave Central Hudson authority to expend in Calendar Year 2011 incremental program funds for customer incentives in the electric Small Business and Mid-Size Business programs. Central Hudson was allowed to defer the costs expended, as well as accrue carrying charges on the deferred balance, and to collect these costs from electric ratepayers in 2012. The rate calculated includes actual and forecasted expended funds though December 31, 2011, as well as the applicable carrying charges. Central Hudson has, however, begun discussion with Staff regarding a one-month extension on the commitment term outlined in the Commission's August 22, 2011 Order. As a result of the need for a phased-in restart of the programs, as well as the inclement weather that has recently plagued the Central Hudson territory and has resulted in manpower being deployed for restoration efforts, the Company believes its progress in establishing commitments for its Small Business and Mid-Size Business programs has been hindered. Since the current calculation includes projections and the Company does not currently know whether an extension will be granted, it proposes to review the expended funds and carrying charges included herein, and to file revisions to the SBC rate if warranted, by February 28, 2012, to be effective April 1, 2012. This will help eliminate any substantial over or under collection for the 2012 calendar year.

The rate on SBC-24 reflects the total amount that the Company was authorized to collect in 2012. The SBC-24 rate calculation does not include a reconciliation for the 2011 calendar year. Pursuant to the Company's tariff, a reconciliation will be filed with the Commission on or before December 15<sup>th</sup>. Any resulting over/under collection will be included in the development of the 2012 rate, which pursuant to the Company's tariff, will be filed on not less than

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15 days notice. As such, the Company will be filing a subsequent revised SBC statement to be effective January 4, 2012, coincident with the date of the first January billing batch.

Since the Company's electric rate schedule currently provides for the collection of the SBC, no tariff amendments are required. Pursuant to the aforementioned Orders, the requirements of 66(12)(b) of the Public Service Law as to newspaper publication of these amendments have been waived.

Questions related to this filing should be directed to Jodi Harris at (845) 486-5578 or via email to <a href="mailto:jharris@cenhud.com">jharris@cenhud.com</a>.

Yours very truly,

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