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#### 36. OTHER CHARGES AND ADJUSTMENTS (Cont'd)

## E. <u>Merchant Function Charge (MFC)</u>

The Merchant Function Charge (MFC) is a charge designed to reflect the costs the Company incurs associated with the procurement and provision of electricity supplies. The MFC includes cost-based components to represent commodity-related purchasing, credit and collection, call center costs, advertising and promotions, and related Administrative and General(A&G) expenses and rate base items allocated to each of the aforementioned components.

### MFC Groups

Effective July 1, 2007 four MFC groups will be implemented:

MFC 1 - Service Classification Nos. 1 and 6MFC 2 - Service Classification No. 2MFC 3 - Service Classification Nos. 3 and 13MFC 4 - Service Classification Nos. 5, 8 and 9

# MFC Tiers

Each MFC group will be sub-divided into a  $MFC_A$  and a  $MFC_B$  as follows:

 $MFC_A$  will include an allocated portion of credit and collection function costs and fifty percent of procurement-related call center function costs, plus A&G and rate base items associated with each component.

 $MFC_B$  will include commodity purchasing function costs, allocated portions of advertising and promotions function costs and fifty percent of procurement-related call center function costs, plus A&G and rate base items associated with each component.

### MFC Applicability

Customers purchasing their electricity requirement from Central Hudson will be billed by the Company for  $MFC_{\scriptscriptstyle T},$  which is equal to the sum of  $MFC_{\scriptscriptstyle A}$  and  $MFC_{\scriptscriptstyle B}.$ 

Customers purchasing their electricity requirements from a Retail Supplier that is participating in the Company's Purchase of Accounts Receivables Program (POR), as described in General Information Section 35, will be billed by Central Hudson for  $MFC_A$  only.

Customers purchasing their electricity requirements from a Retail Supplier that is not participating in the Company's POR Program will not be billed a MFC by Central Hudson.