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## 35. RETAIL ACCESS PROGRAM (Cont'd)

## E. INCREASE IN RATES AND CHARGES

The rates and charges applicable to Retail Suppliers are increased pursuant to General Information Section 30 to reflect the tax rate applicable at the Central Hudson tie point.

## F. METERING

- (a) Central Hudson or a Meter Data Service Provider (see Addendum-MET) will perform meter readings according to established reading cycles and current practices, and provide relevant meter reading information to customers and Retail Suppliers. Retail Suppliers may use metered information only for billing customers and for scheduling deliveries;
- (b) If an eligible customer or Retail Supplier requests Central Hudson to provide a meter reading on a day other than normally scheduled (special meter reading), the Company will assess the <u>requestor</u> a fee of twenty (\$20) dollars per meter per reading;
- (c) Customers that choose to take part in the Retail Access Program may continue to use the same metering equipment that is in place at the time of their application for retail access. Such customers, however, may request the installation of a different Commission-approved meter, with the cost of such meter and installation to be borne by the customer and with Central Hudson retaining sole control of the meter and responsibility for the installation, maintenance and compliance with Commission regulations. Customers electing to have such meters installed will be billed, for retail access purposes, based on the data collected from those meters. The Company will own such meters, except as noted below.

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