

PSC NO: 15 ELECTRICITY

LEAF: 59

COMPANY: CENTRAL HUDSON GAS &amp; ELECTRIC CORPORATION

REVISION: 5

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**14. METER READING, ESTIMATED BILLS AND BACKBILLING** (Cont'd)B. Estimated Bills (Cont'd)2. Estimated Billing (Cont'd)

## b. Nonresidential (Cont'd)

- (2) circumstances beyond the control of the Company made obtaining an actual reading of the meter(s) extremely difficult, despite having access to the meter area; provided, however, that estimated bills for this reason may be rendered no more than twice consecutively without the Company advising the customer in writing of specific circumstances and the customer's obligation to have the circumstances corrected;
- (3) the Company has good cause for believing that an actual or customer reading obtained is likely to be erroneous; provided, however, that estimated bills for this reason may be rendered no more than twice consecutively without the Company initiating corrective action before the rendering of the next cycle bill;
- (4) circumstances beyond the control of the Company prevented the meter reader from making a premises visit;
- (5) an actual reading was lost or destroyed; provided, however, that an estimated bill for this reason will be rendered not more than once without the Company initiating corrective action before the rendering of the next cycle bill;
- (6) an estimated reading has been prescribed or authorized by the Public Service Commission for a particular billing cycle;
- (7) an estimated reading is the approved billing method in accordance with the Company's tariff for the billing;
- (8) an unmetered condition was in existence during the period; or,
- (9) a Meter Data Service Provider (see Addendum-MET) fails to provide the data in a timely manner.

For seasonal and/or short-term customers, an actual meter reading shall be taken upon termination of service.

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