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

## J. NATURAL GAS SUPPLY REQUIREMENT

Ten (10) business days prior to the beginning of the month Central Hudson will provide the Retail Supplier the (1) Daily Delivery Contract Quantity (DCQ) for each customer taking service from the Supplier, (2) the Aggregated Daily Contract Quantity (ADCQ) expressed in dekatherms, equal to the sum of the DCQs for all customers being served by the Retail Supplier and (3) the Incremental Daily Contract Quantity (IDCQ) for each customer. The Retail Supplier will notify Central Hudson within three (3) business days as to any corrections or changes to their list of customers or the expected daily requirements of those customers. The Retail Supplier will provide a natural gas nomination to Central Hudson by the date specified on Central Hudson's Calender of Natural Gas Transportation Scheduling, as defined in General Information, Section 2. The Retail Supplier must include delivery quantity and the applicable meter and contract numbers on their nomination document.

The Retail Supplier must deliver to Central Hudson on each day of the month, at predetermined interconnection points, the ADCQ. In the event of a period of peak weather conditions Central Hudson may increase the volume of natural gas to be delivered to include the IDCQ. Retail Suppliers will be given forty-eight (48) hour notice of the need to increase deliveries.

A Retail Supplier may obtain the upstream capacity needed to meet the sum of the customers' ADCQ and IDCQ delivery requirements by either taking assignment of the upstream capacity under contract to Central Hudson or purchasing the capacity from a third party supplier.

Each Retail Supplier choosing to use third party capacity must provide the Company with an affidavit on or before October 15 of each year disclosing the type of capacity they will be using. The affidavit will also include the name of the delivering pipeline and the delivery point. Retail Suppliers purchasing capacity from a third party supplier may utilize primary firm, secondary, or interruptible capacity to meet customers' delivery requirements during the months from April through October but must select one of the following capacity options for the months from November through March:

- firm, non-recallable, primary delivery point capacity to the Company's Citygate(s) or,
- b. secondary, non-recallable capacity to the Company's Citygate(s) and contract with Central Hudson for standby service. This option is available on a trial basis from November 1999 through March 2000.

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