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

- C. <u>SWITCHING REQUIREMENTS</u> (Cont'd)
  - (b) Notice Period Required and Switch Date
    - 1. The notice for a natural gas switch must be submitted at least ten (10) calendar days prior to the first day of the month service is to begin.
  - (c) Frequency of Subsequent Switches

Retail Access customers may voluntarily choose to return to Central Hudson as a full-service customer; or, voluntarily switch to another Retail Supplier subject to the following restrictions:

- 1. Customers voluntarily returning to Central Hudson for full service will be required to remain with Central Hudson for a minimum of twelve months after their return date;
- 2. Customers voluntarily switching to another Retail Supplier or returning to Central Hudson full-service may be subject to restrictions in their agreement with their current supplier.
- (d) <u>Switching Fees</u>
  - Central Hudson will not charge a customer to switch from Central Hudson's full-service to a Retail Supplier's service;
  - 2. Central Hudson will not charge for the first voluntary switch from a Retail Supplier to another Retail Supplier (or back to Central Hudson) during the first twelve months following a customer's initial entry into retail access;
  - Central Hudson will charge a switching fee of ten (\$10) dollars per customer per meter for all subsequent voluntary switches between Retail Suppliers or back to Central Hudson.
  - 4. Central Hudson will not charge for involuntary switches: those initiated by a Retail Supplier terminating business with any or all customers; or, assigning his customers to another supplier.
- (e) <u>Special Meter Reading Fees</u>

Central Hudson will charge twenty (\$20) dollars per customer per meter for any "special meter reading": a meter reading performed on