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

## C. Renewable Portfolio Standard (RPS) Charge

The Renewable Portfolio Standard (RPS) Charge is designed to recover the costs of public policy programs approved for funding by the Public Service Commission to increase the percentage of electricity used by retail customers in New York State that is derived from renewable resources. The RPS Charge will be applied to the energy (kWh) deliveries on the bills of all full service and delivery service customers served under this Schedule. The RPS factor will be stated in whole \$0.00001 amounts per kilowatthour and will be the same for all applicable Service Classifications. The RPS factor will be determined, at a minimum, on an annual basis to be effective October 1, and will include a reconciliation of RPS recoveries (eleven months actual, one month forecast) with the target amount.

Not less than fifteen (15) days prior to a proposed change in the RPS, a statement showing the RPS factor and the effective date will be filed with the Public Service Commission apart from this Schedule. Such Statement shall be made available to the public at Company offices.

For billing purposes, the RPS charge will be combined with the System Benefits Charge, as described in General Information Section 36.A, with the combined amount shown as one line item on customer bills.

## D. **HEAP Bill Credit Program**

Each residential customer who received a HEAP benefit for their Central Hudson bill during the 2012/2013 HEAP Plan Year will receive a credit each month applied to their Central Hudson account. A HEAP credit will continue for 12 consecutive months, or until either the customer renews their HEAP eligibility for a succeeding Plan Year or the HEAP Bill Credit Program is terminated. Pursuant to the Order in Case 12-M-0192 issued and effective June 26, 2013, bill credit levels for eligible single and dual service HEAP program participants shall apply as follows. The monthly credit for electric only heating customers shall be \$17.50 per month. The monthly credit for electric only non-heating customers shall be \$5.50 per month. For customers taking both electric and gas service from the Company, the monthly credits shall be \$23.00 and \$11.00 for heating and non-heating customers respectively. To avoid any immediate reduction in benefits, any single service non-heating customer currently enrolled in HEAP for the 2012/2013 HEAP Plan Year will continue to receive the previously established bill credit of \$11.00 per month for a total of twelve consecutive months or until the customer renews their HEAP benefit for the succeeding Plan Year, whichever is less. If a single service non-heating customer renews their HEAP benefit for succeeding Plan Years, the customer will continue to receive a bill credit, as established above, of \$11.00 per month as long as the customer's HEAP eligibility is renewed in a month succeeding a month in which the customer received the \$11.00 bill credit, such that the customer receives the bill credit continuously without interruption. A single service non-heating customer receiving a bill credit of \$11.00 per month as established above, who does not timely apply for a HEAP benefit, such that they do not receive the bill credit for one calendar month or more, and who subsequently receives a HEAP benefit will receive a bill credit of \$5.50 per month as established above.

## Reconnection Fees

For customers participating in the Enhanced Powerful Opportunity Program or the HEAP Bill Credit Program, service reconnection fees will be waived, with a limit of one time per customer. Waivers will be granted in compliance with the funding terms established in the June 26, 2013 Order in Case 12-M-0192. Central Hudson may grant waivers to individual customers more than once during this period, on a case-bycase basis and for good cause shown.

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