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> > December 4, 2001

Public Service Commission Three Empire State Plaza Albany, New York 12223-1350

Dear Commissioners:

Attached for filing electronically with the Commission is the following rate leaf, issued by Central Hudson Gas & Electric Corporation ("Central Hudson" or "the Company"), to become effective on February 21, 2002:

<u>Gas - P.S.C No. 12</u>

1st Revised Leaf No. 167.1

The purpose of this filing is to request that the provision allowing for the modification of the ceiling prices for interruptible service be made permanent as granted by Commission Order issued and effective November 14, 2001, in Cases 01-G-1179 and 01-G-1180.

By Commission Orders issued and effective January 9 and April 5, 2001 in Cases 01-G-0012, 01-G-0013 and 01-G-0014, Brooklyn Union Gas, Keyspan Gas East and Central Hudson were given permission to increase the ceiling prices of interruptible gas service to the Company's incremental cost of gas plus \$0.010 per Ccf when the average cost of gas assigned to interruptible customers exceeds the maximum rate allowed under Service Classification No.8. This provision was in effect through April 30, 2001. Brooklyn Union Gas and Keyspan Gas East requested that the interim pricing provision be made permanent in Cases 01-G-1179 and 01-G-1180. By Commission Order issued and effective November 14, 2001, their request was granted.

The Company also requests that the requirements of 66((12)(b)) of the Public Service Law as to newspaper publication be waived because the Company contact all customers affected by this change.

Very truly yours, Arthur R. Upright