CENTRAL HUDSON GAS & ELECTRIC CORPORATION 284 SOUTH AVENUE POUGHKEEPSIE, NEW YORK 12601

December 12, 2003

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

Dear Commissioners:

In accordance with General Information, Section 28.B of P.S.C. No. 12 - Gas, the Revenue Tax Surcharge Statement listed below is filed to become effective January 5, 2004.

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The purpose of this filing is to update the State Utility Service and the New York State Income Tax factors.

The impact on our customers' bills effective January 5, 2004 will be a decrease of approximately 1.2%.

Very truly yours,

Arthur R. Upright