

CENTRAL HUDSON GAS & ELECTRIC CORPORATION
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Public Service Commission
Three Empire State Plaza
Albany, New York 12223-1350

Dear Commissioners:

In accordance with General Information Section 30.B of P.S.C. No. 15 - Electricity, the Revenue Tax Surcharge Statement listed below is filed to become effective February 3, 2004.

P.S.C. No. 15 - ELECTRICITY

Statement of Effective Revenue Tax Surcharge

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The purpose of this filing is to revise the revenue tax surcharge factors applicable in the MTA region to recover the MTA tax imposed on the Company during 2002.

The impact on our customers' bills within the MTA region effective February 3, 2004 will be a decrease of approximately -0.12%.

Very truly yours,

Arthur R. Upright