

CENTRAL HUDSON GAS & ELECTRIC CORPORATION  
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March 12, 2004

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 April 1, 2004.

P.S.C. No. 12 - Gas

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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 2003.

The impact on our customers' bills within the MTA region effective April 1, 2004 will be an increase of approximately 0.14%.

Very truly yours,

Arthur R. Upright