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The Honorable Jay Wenk
Town Board, Town of Woodstock
307 Mead Mountain Road
Woodstock, NY 12498

Re: Case 14-M-0196 - Tariff Filing by Central Hudson Gas & Electric Corporation to Establish Fees for Residential Customers who Choose to Opt out of Using Automated Meter Reading Devices.

Dear Mr. Wenk:

Thank you for your recent letter in which you support the May 2015 resolution of the Woodstock Town Board, submitted to the Public Service Commission, requesting that the Commission allow customers of Central Hudson Gas & Electric Corporation (CHG&E) to continue to use non-automatic meter reading devices (non-AMR) without the associated fees authorized by the Commission in the above-mentioned proceeding.

You further note the existence of remanufactured non-AMR meters available from the Hialeah Meter Company, and state your opinion that they meet Commission standards. Finally, you inquire as to the delay in Commission approval of such meters. As to approval of the use of specific meters, generally, the Commission considers approval of a meter only upon the petition of the utility seeking to use such equipment as part of its service to customers. In this case, that would be Central Hudson, which has not filed a petition regarding this matter.

Your interest in this matter is appreciated, and your comments have been included among those submitted in this matter, and thus will become part of the Commission's record. Please be assured that they will be considered by the Commission as it continues its review of this matter.

Sincerely,

Kathleen H. Burgess

Secretary