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Hon. Jeffrey Cohen, Acting Secretary New York State Public Service Commission Three Empire State Plaza Albany, NY 12223

> **Re: Case 12-M-0192** — Joint Petition of Fortis Inc., FortisUS Inc., Cascade Acquisition Sub Inc., CH Energy Group, Inc., and Central Hudson Gas & Electric Corporation for Approval of the Acquisition of CH Energy Group, Inc. by Fortis Inc. and Related Transactions

Dear Secretary Cohen:

The Administrative Law Judges wisely and easily concluded that the level of ratepayer opposition to the proposed Fortis acquisition only compounds the other risks and detriments. Central Hudson is better left as it is because that state is in the public interest.

In an attempt to undermine this legitimate conclusion, the Joint Petitioners have mounted a relentless media blitz unprecedented in New York utility industry history¹. Not only have there been numerous full-page advertisements throughout the region, based upon misleading assertions and opinions, but similar widespread radio and television campaigns have been carried out as well.

Hundreds of expressions of "support" have been elicited from Central Hudson employees and persons self-identified as "business" and "community" leaders. These fall into the following five categories:

1. Central Hudson employees: These signatures have been entirely orchestrated by Central Hudson primarily by a form e-mail, as is perfectly apparent and also noted in a letter to the Commission by John Glusko, a retired Senior Management employee. Notwithstanding loose assurances of job protection by the Joint Petitioners, these individuals understand fully that, after an acquisition, Fortis could make a "change of circumstances," or economic

¹ This costly media campaign is in addition to the estimates of approximately \$15 million from each company (\$30 million together) to pay for this acquisition.

force majeure claim as a prelude to abandoning these supposed promises. Based on the financial analyses conducted by the Citizens for Local Power ("CLP") and the Consortium in Opposition to the Acquisition ("Consortium"), such an outcome is virtually assured.

- 2. Others are probably speaking in support out of nostalgia or loyalty to the Central Hudson of prior years. This loyalty is misplaced, as it cannot extend to a takeover by a far-distant owner. In fact, the tradition of local accountability is betrayed, when considered in the light of the financial circumstances revealed to the Commission by Citizens for Local Power and PULP in the June 6, 2013 responses to the Joint Petitioners' "final enhancements" letter of May 30, 2013.
- 3. Persons beguiled by the public relations campaign and flattered by being told that their participation was necessary to "save" Central Hudson because Central Hudson cannot survive on its own, have been sold a fantasy conjured solely to win support. Fortis has cynically used and hides behind Central Hudson's excellent brand and community reputation to spin a deceitful and untruthful story. The fact is that Central Hudson has no problem whatsoever accessing the capital markets. Even the Department of Public Service Staff, a signatory to the ill-advised JP, has so stated. It is not Central Hudson that needs the rescue, rather it is Fortis whose finances are weakening and needs Central Hudson as an anchor to windward as it drifts faster and faster to the abyss. Without genuine organic growth from electricity and gas delivery volumes that are flat or declining, Fortis must purchase revenue streams to feed its voracious appetite for dividend payments to keep its share price afloat while manufacturing "organic growth" by making unnecessary investments in plant.
- 4. Persons or organizations hoping somehow to gain from having agreed to "support" the acquisition. Regrettably, this would include the reversal of IBEW Local 320's previous well-reasoned opposition. Based upon the experience of its exact counterpart, IBEW Local 213, with FortisBC, the leadership of Local 320 would have been well advised to stay the course. All the Labor-related endorsements stemming from the Local 320 reversal should be considered in the light of the Local 213 testimony and the economic "change of circumstances" which would inevitably follow the Fortis need for additional cash to cover its unmanageable debt service. Finally, the number of "Economic Development" officials expecting to compete for a mere \$4.5 million could not have their expectations met by dozens of times that trivial amount – when spread over multiple counties. This is reminiscent of John D. Rockefeller throwing dimes to the masses on the streets.
- 5. Not-for-profits "support" the acquisition because they are unlikely to deny the urgent request of a significant patron. One who depends on handouts to do good work helping those in need does not bite the hand the feeds and sustains. The leaders of these organizations will swallow their pride in the face of strong-arm tactics to lend "support". Unfortunately, these organizations

should take a longer-term view, but they cannot or many of their clients will face even further deprivation. With the shaky finances of Fortis after the acquisition, the community support previously shown by Central Hudson is sure to dwindle so that more dividends can be paid to the parent. Likewise chambers of commerce are showing "support" since Central Hudson is a dues paying member and no leader of a chamber is willing to alienate such a wellheeled business.

Whether or not one views the organizational and employee "support" for the acquisition as genuine or concocted, there is no question that the opposition is genuine, sincere and widespread. The attached file lists the names of more than 900 signatures – many with additional comments – which were posted on the Public Comment section as attachments under the name of the volunteer, Dawn Meola, who transmitted them. Please see Appendix A attached hereto. Including the additional individual objections, which overwhelmingly predominated for many months before the Joint Petitioners "blitz," the opponents of this transaction number more than 1,360.

The Joint Petitioners' representations of "community support" are more like the delegates to the National Peoples Congress that "supports" the Politburo Standing Committee of the Communist Party of China. As a practical matter in that system, the delegates have no choice but to "support".

On behalf of CLP and the Consortium, attached is a compendium of resolutions in opposition to the acquisition passed by 16 municipalities with a total population of 276,526 -- even before the concerns of the Duchess County Legislature, representing a population of 297,488 are considered. Please see Appendix B attached hereto. These municipalities are listed here for convenience:

Ulster County Legislature²

City of Beacon (asked for an extension to comment)

City of Kingston

City of Newburgh

Town of Esopus

Town of Marbletown

Town of Newburgh

Town of New Paltz

Town of Olive

Town of Red Hook

² The population of Ulster County, 182,493, includes the City of Kingston, the Towns of Esopus, Marbletown, New Paltz, Olive, Rochester, Rosendale and Woodstock along with the Villages of Ellenville and New Paltz.

Town of Rochester

Town of Rosendale

Town of Woodstock

Village of Ellenville

Village of New Paltz

Village of Red Hook

It should also be noted that resolutions in opposition to the acquisition have been passed by the following organizations:

AARP of NY State

Citizen Action of New York

Dutchess County Central Labor Council

SEIU Local 200

Sierra Club

Town of Rosendale Environmental Commission

Village of Red Hook Economic Development Committee

Finally, and certainly not least, a significant number of elected officials spoke against, filed letters opposing the acquisition, expressing concern, seeking an extension or requesting an evidentiary hearing:

US Senator Charles Schumer

US Congressman Sean Maloney

Former US Congressman Maurice Hinchey

NYS Senator Terry Gipson

NYS Senator Cecilia Tkaczyk

NYS Assembly Member Kevin Cahill (former Chair, Energy Committee)³

NYS Assembly Member Didi Barrett

NYS Assemblyman Frank Skartados

NYS Assembly Member James Skoufis

³ Assemblyman Cahill also participated in a Poughkeepsie Journal Editorial Board meeting on June 6, 2013 with CLP and the Consortium where he bluntly stated: "The deal stinks."

Dutchess County Legislator Barbara Jeter-Jackson

Dutchess County Legislator Joel Tyner

Dutchess County Legislator Rich Perkins

Dutchess County Legislator Debra Blalock

Dutchess County Legislators (13 members including Democrats, Republicans and Conservatives)

Ulster County Chief Executive Michael Hein

Ulster County Legislator Hector Rodriguez

Kingston Alderwoman Elisa Ball (representing Sen. Tkarczyk)

City of Beacon Mayor Randy Casale

City of Kingston Mayor Shayne Gallo

Town of Red Hook Supervisor Susan Crane

Town of Rosendale Supervisor Jeanne Walsh

Town of Woodstock Supervisor Jeremy Wilber

Village of Red Hook Mayor Ed Blundell

Also attached is a letter from Robert F. Kennedy, Jr. that was filed in this case as well as his opinion piece published in the Albany Times Union. Please see Appendix C attached hereto.

And the opposition to Fortis knows no bounds. Just today as this submittal was being finalized, CLP and the Consortium were contacted by Sharon Matola who sent an e-mail to the Commission. It is worth setting forth this communication lest it get lost in the crowd:

From: Sharon Matola <<u>matola@belizezoo.org</u>> To: <u>secretary@dps.ny.gov</u> Sent: Tuesday, June 11, 2013 1:30 PM Subject: Case 12-M-0192 Proposed Fortis/Central Hudson Merger

To the NY Public Service Commission: Thank you for taking the time to consider the following letter which I submitted to the Kingston Times. Fortis development of the Chalillo Dam in Belize left our country degraded, both biologically and socio-economically. We have the highest electricity rates in Central America at this time. We have lost important biodiversity due to their actions in Belize. I strongly urge the Commissioners to consider the track record of Fortis as you approach an imperative decision-making event regarding this proposed merger. Please feel welcome to contact me if I can provide further

information. Sincerely, Sharon Matola

Dear Mr. Baron: Below is a message I sent out after reading the article recently, "Fortis foes Allege Eco-misdeeds". I was requested to send this to you along with a bit of background on myself. I am the Founding Director of The Belize Zoo and Tropical Education Center. From the years 1999-2003, I studied the ecology of the Scarlet macaw in the Raspaculo River valley. This is the area which was seriously degraded by the Fortis development project, Chalillo Dam. My work was funded by Wildlife Trust, based in New York. I am a biologist. During the time of my studies, it could easily be said that well over 200 scarlet macaws called this area of Belize home. This was their main reproductive grounds in Belize, and also provided necessary food resources. Due to the development of Chalillo Dam, this ecological riverine forest, so important for the continued survival of these birds, no longer exists. The Scarlet macaw population has become geographically isolated, and this has been shown by current studies undertaken by Charles Britt, who has been studying the remaining birds, post-Chalillo dam. Note I said "remaining". The population is far, far reduced from pre-Chalillo. Whatever poaching has occurred, it is due to the easy access to the area via roads, again, a Chalillo dam by-product. There are no nest boxes in this area. Any nest boxes that were put into place, 100 % were unsuccessful. Scarlet macaw researchers in Guatemala have also found similar results about nest box success. The serious concerns Challilo Dam opponents had about the environmental damage which would result from this project, unfortunately, came to be realized. A Scarlet macaw population headed for local extinction. A poisoned river. No reduction in electricity rates. What I read in the abovementioned article, regarding input from Fortis officials, reflects the type of misinformation this company showered on Belize during the years of this development plan. I would greatly appreciate if you would print my message in your newspaper. Please feel welcome to contact me if I can provide further information. Also, feel welcome to "google" me and see the work I am involved with, which may provide further insight into my sincere concerns on behalf of our remaining biodiversity. Thank you for your time. Sharon Matola

As CLP and the Consortium has stated repeatedly, Fortis is not worthy to own Central Hudson. Here in an unfiltered, unrehearsed voice, that is a witness to Fortis corporate behavior and callous disregard for the environment, the health and safety of the community it claims to serve.

Finally, CLP and the Consortium feel compelled to introduce a new piece of evidence that has arisen in another pending case that shows Central Hudson to be over earning and the "final enhancement" of a <u>one year rate freeze is in the shareholders</u>' <u>interest</u>, not a ratepayer benefit. This further adds to the net ratepayer risks and detriments making it even easier to reject the acquisition.

In Case 13-G-0136 – Proceeding on Motion of the Commission as to the Rates, Charges, Rules and Regulations of National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation for Gas

Service, National Fuel Gas showed that <u>Central Hudson earned 10.31% in 2011 and 10.56% in 2012 on equity</u>⁴. All this in the context of a 9% return on equity ("ROE") environment. Niagara Mohawk received a 9.3% ROE with no dead band for sharing purposes in March 2013. That was for a three-year rate plan that included an un-quantified basis point adder to compensate Niagara Mohawk for the business and financial risks of a three year rate plan.⁵ Many opponents of the acquisition have requested an evidentiary hearing since there have been evidentiary hearing in every case since National Grid acquired Niagara Mohawk in 2001. If this rate freeze is adopted, doesn't the Commission need an evidentiary hearing to comply with the Public Service Law? CLP and the Consortium submit that an evidentiary hearing is necessary to adopt such a "final enhancement" that actually constitutes an unexamined electric and gas rate plan.

Curiously, Multiple Intervenors in the National Fuel Gas case supports the Department of Public Service Staff Temporary Rates Panel determination "that 9.0% would be a reasonable return for NFG during RY2014, if its rates were reset today."⁶

So why then does MI support a "final enhancement" rate freeze extension of one year? "From Multiple Intervenors' perspective, the most compelling enhancement is Petitioners' proposal to extend their previously-offered one-year rate freeze (i.e., through June 30, 2014) by an additional year (i.e., through June 30, 2015)."⁷

This makes no sense. MI is obliged to support the JP that it mistakenly signed, but it is not obligated to support unilateral enhancements particularly when it is contrary to its members' best interests by freezing rates for a year at levels that are too high and not just and reasonable. CLP and the Consortium gave MI a mulligan for a bad decision in signing the JP. There is only one mulligan per round and MI has used up its limit.

Like the Joint Petitioners, CLP and the Consortium believe that evidence of the extent of opposition from municipalities, diverse organizations, elected officials and the general public should be reflected in the undifferentiated record in this case. As well as the first hand account of the Founding Director of the Belize Zoo. Independent evidence of Central Hudson's over-earnings from another proceeding,⁸ should also be reflected on the record in this case.

The Commission should have all of the facts before it to support the rejection of an acquisition where the proponents failed miserably to carry their burden of proof. It is

⁴ See Case 13-G-0136, Exhibit _____EHM-1, Schedule 2, page 3 of 3, accepted into evidence at the May 23, 2013 evidentiary hearing as Exhibit 2.

⁵ Cases 12-E-0201 and 12-G-0202, Order Approving Electric and Gas Rate Plans in Accord with Joint Proposal (Issued and Effective March 15, 2012) at page 10 to 11. As the Order noted, DPS Staff's recommended ROE was 8.9% for a one-year plan.

⁶ Case 13-G-0136, Post-Hearing Brief of Multiple Intervenors in Support of Temporary Rates (June 6, 2013) at page 13.

⁷ Supplemental Comments of Multiple Intervenors (June 5, 2013) at page 2.

⁸ PULP's response to the Joint Petitioners "final enhancement" provides further independent evidence of over earnings.

no wonder that the Joint Petitioners opposed the creation of an evidentiary record on which the parties could probe the fantastical statements that were designed to spin the Commission into approving a very bad deal. When one lacks substance and genuine support, one has to resort to propaganda. Unfortunately, because of Central Hudson's excellent reputation some in the community were fooled, including some very sophisticated individuals and organizations. CLP and the Consortium know that this experienced Commission is not going to fall for or be swayed by a media blitz without facts or substance. But it does reveal how Fortis does business – say and do anything to achieve the financial goal. Then once the company is acquired, start the extraction process to service the huge debt load created. Then quickly move on to the next prey.

CLP and the Consortium would like each Commissioner to ask him or herself the following question when considering this case: "How does the creation of almost \$500 million of a totally non-performing 'asset' help Central Hudson customers?" The risk and detriment created by this acquisition completely overwhelms the puny "benefits" tendered by the Joint Petitioners. This should be an unusually easy decision.

Respectfully submitted,

Daniel P. Duthie

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on behalf of CLP and the Consortium

cc: ALJ David L. Prestemon ALJ Rafael A. Epstein Parties

APPENDIX A

Petition Signers

Dear Jeffrey C. Cohen, Acting Secretary, Public Service Commission,

We are pleased to present you with this petition affirming this statement:

"The New York State Public Service Commission should reject the takeover of CH Energy Group by Canadian holding company Fortis, Inc. (Case 12-M-0192). A takeover will jeopardize 375,000 customers' well-being, endanger local jobs, and prevent improvements to the power grid needed to protect New Yorkers from the effects of severe storms and fight climate change.

Attached is a list of individuals who have added their names to this petition, as well as additional comments written by the petition signers themselves.

Sincerely, Dawn Meola

joan hillegas new windson, NY 12553 Jun 3, 2013
Kristin Crawford Kerhonkson, NY 12446 May 29, 2013
Edith Giammatteo Fishkill, NY 12524 May 22, 2013
Marie Youmg New Paltz, NY 12561 May 21, 2013

More and more we see takeovers by foreign countries of everything from businesses to energy groups. Maybe we should just put up a for sale sign in Washington and let the bidding begin.

Mary M Josten Tillson, NY 12486, NY 12486 May 16, 2013

liz wassell new paltz, NY 12561 May 16, 2013

Fortis reputation in places where it is entrenched is bad. Having control of our local utility by a foreign conglomerate is not in our local resiliant future. Fight this merger with every resource at your disposal!

lawrence Ulfik West Saugerties, NY 12477 May 16, 2013
james porter kingston, NY 12401 May 16, 2013
Marilyn Perez Fishkill, NY 12524 May 14, 2013
Virginia Piazza Beacon, NY 12508 May 14, 2013
Dianne Paolo

Waqllkill, NY 12589

May 9, 2013

Susan Tullin New Paltz, NY 12561 May 5, 2013

As a victim of outsourcing myself, in IT, I support the IBEW's opposition to this takeover. Keep our good-paying jobs here!

Elena Valentino Warwick, NY 10990 May 4, 2013

Marian Tortorella Woodstock, NY 12498 May 2, 2013

Anne Rogers New Paltz, NY 12561 May 2, 2013

Griffin Johnston Peck Slip, NY 10038 May 1, 2013

No way should a foreign country,- and yes, Canada is such, - own a U.S. utility.What next, - China? Saudi Arabia? No matter that Canada is a 'neighbor.' It's still foreign, not governed by OUR Federal gov't.

Jane Curran Tivoli, NY 12583 May 1, 2013

The sale is not in our best interests. I want to have peace of mind that my child is safe in her surroundings.

Barbara Moiso Jones Stony Point, NY 10980 May 1, 2013

Taun Toay Red Hook, NY 12571 May 1, 2013

Fortis has a terrible track record, and we do want them taking over.

Mary Place Apalachin, NY 13732 May 1, 2013 Please do all within your power to stop the takeover of Fortis. That would be completely unacceptable.

Charles Place Apalachin, NY 13732 May 1, 2013

I rely on Central Hudson and fail to see any benefit to the customers arising from this corporate takeover.

Neil Rindlaub Gardiner, NY 12525 May 1, 2013

If this goes through there will be no accountability to local governments and the possible use of NAFTA to override local government and state requirements. The people must retain their right to choose for themselves through local and state representatives. Reject this Canadian takeover, IT IS NOT IN THE PUBLIC INTEREST!

Jason Long Stony Point, NY 10980 May 1, 2013

Kathryn Adorney Gardiner, NY 12525-5155 May 1, 2013

The public and our elected officials need more time to consider the significant ramifications or consequences of this proposed acquisition.

karl allweier Stanfordville, NY 12581 May 1, 2013

Stop the Canadian Central Hudson takeover!

Shelita Benash Wallkill, NY 12589 May 1, 2013

There is no need for another country to move in and take over our resources. This will simply lead to less regulation and that spells DISASTER, literally.

Fran Miller copake, NY 12516 May 1, 2013

Dawn Carpino Ruby, NY 12475 May 1, 2013 we desperatly need local jobs don't give these away to foreign companies that won't protect our environment

julie Rappaport staten island, NY 10310 Apr 30, 2013

Wendy Joseph New York, NY 10034 Apr 30, 2013

Ruth Molloy New Paltz, NY 12561 Apr 30, 2013

I think the takeover of CH Energy Group by Fortis, Inc. is not in the best interest of communities now being supplied by CH Energy Group or the environment in which they live.

lincoln stoller Shokan, NY 12481 Apr 30, 2013

Larry Cohn Brooklyn, United States 11201-1183 Apr 30, 2013

no canadian takeover please

bridget mclellan Hudson, NY 12534-1915 Apr 30, 2013

Jane Wilcox Kingston, NY 12401 Apr 30, 2013

Suzanne Goodelman New York, NY 10011 Apr 30, 2013

I strongly oppose the takeover of our local Central Hudson Energy by Fortis!!!

abby heijnen Samsonville, NY 12461 Apr 30, 2013

Nancy Plumer Kingston, NY 12402 Apr 30, 2013

Renee Finkelstein Stony Point, NY 10980 Apr 30, 2013 Evan Marks High Falls, NY 12440 Apr 30, 2013 Katy Bray New Paltz, NY 12561 Apr 30, 2013 Miriam Gibbons Kingston, NY 12401 Apr 30, 2013 Jean Antonelle Ulster Park, NY 12487 Apr 30, 2013 Craig Henkle St Remy, NY 12401 Apr 30, 2013 eileen urbanic KINGSTON, NY 12401 Apr 30, 2013 Lester Cohen High Falls, NY 12440 Apr 30, 2013 Judy Feldman Long Eddy, NY 10038 Apr 30, 2013 I am against this takeover. sharon broit West Saugerties, NY 12477 Apr 30, 2013 Karuna Foudriat Saugerties, NY 12477 Apr 30, 2013

Carol Reingold New York, NY 10014 Please reject a foreign takeover especially Canada of out energy supplies. Brenda Bufaluno

Brenda Bufalino Gardiner, NY 12525 Apr 30, 2013

It is hard enough for us to get jobs but now if this sale goes through, we are going to lose jobs. Good, well paying, union jobs. They must be stopped

Jerry Wintrob Accord, NY 12404 Apr 30, 2013
Todd Young Rhinebeck, NY 12572 Apr 30, 2013
Nathan Thurston San Francisco, CA 94127 Apr 30, 2013
Randi Barouch Samsonville, NY 12461 Apr 30, 2013
Michelle Sutton Highland, NY 12528-2859 Apr 30, 2013
Anneliese Mordhorst New Paltz, NY 12561 Apr 30, 2013
Kevin Irwin Pawling, NY 12564 Apr 30, 2013
Kevin McEvoy St Remy, NY 12401 Apr 29, 2013
David Kathleen Owen Alastar Tillson, NY 12486 Apr 29, 2013
Dale DeMarco

New Paltz, NY 12561

Apr 29, 2013

Anne Minervini Highland, NY 12528 Apr 29, 2013

I oppose the merger/take over of Central Hudson by Fortis Inc.

Lisa Kellogg Rosendale, NY 12472 Apr 29, 2013

I don't want a foreign holding company owning our electric company. They have a dismal record on the environment.

barbara lubell Palenville, NY 12463 Apr 29, 2013

Fortis says our concerns are groundless. Where is the proof?

Laura Wilensky Kingston, NY 12401-7747 Apr 29, 2013

Lisa Montanus Woodstock, NY 12498 Apr 28, 2013

Jacqueline Haught Shokan, NY 12481 Apr 28, 2013

Troy Gehrke High Falls, NY 12440 Apr 28, 2013

sharon Rhinebeck, NY 12572 Apr 28, 2013

No NO NO!

Elaine Ralston Olivebridge, NY 12461 Apr 28, 2013 Why is this even being considered? Definite NO!

Francis Ralston Olivebridge, NY 12461 Apr 28, 2013

I do not believe that this would be in the public interest.

Larry Accord, NY 12404 Apr 28, 2013 sarah williford hopewell jct, NY 12533 Apr 28, 2013 David Radovanovic Saugerties, NY 12477 Apr 28, 2013 James Ayers Kerhonkson, NY 12446 Apr 27, 2013 Eugene Gauggel New Paltz, NY 12561 Apr 27, 2013 ed rogers new paltz, NY 12561 Apr 26, 2013 Bernadette Feltz High Falls, NY 12440 Apr 26, 2013 Barbara Spink Castleton, NY 12033 Apr 26, 2013

Please protect the self-sufficiency of our community.

Gina Luria Walker Rhinebeck, NY 12572 Apr 25, 2013

Julie Parisi Woodstock, NY 12498 Apr 25, 2013

I object to foreign control of our local utility.

Phyllis Marsteller United States 12572-1925 Apr 25, 2013

Roxanne Grieve-Smith Kingston, NY 12402 Apr 25, 2013

Christopher Bernard Woodstock, NY 12498 Apr 25, 2013

After this one-time use you are required to remove my name from the signon list.

Calvin Grimm Shady, NY 12409 Apr 25, 2013

Jill and Douglas Lundquist/Baz Barrytown, United States 12507-5009 Apr 25, 2013

Reject the acquisition of CH Energy group by Fortis, Inc.

irene fredericks Newburgh, NY 12550-1230 Apr 25, 2013

STOP THE CANADIAN TAKEOVER OF OUR LOCAL UTILITY COMPANY CENTRAL HUDSON

Cheri Van Deusen Kingston, NY 12401 Apr 25, 2013

Lena Dun Ulster Park, NY 12487 Apr 24, 2013

keep business local. If we give away the businesses in this country, where will we all go? who will we work for? who will resolve issues if they live in another country why would they care?

liza norman high falls, NY 12440 Apr 24, 2013

Pat Lamanna Poughkeepsie, NY 12603 Apr 23, 2013
Alan Macaluso New Paltz, NY 12561 Apr 23, 2013
meagan lara shapiro rosendale, NY 12472 Apr 23, 2013
Gerard Kelly Barrytown, NY 12507 Apr 22, 2013
Cary Kittner Barrytown, NY 12507 Apr 22, 2013
Judy H Pine Plains, NY 12567 Apr 22, 2013
Daniel New Paltz, NY 12561 Apr 21, 2013
constance sayre Pine Plains, NY 12567 Apr 21, 2013

There is absolutely justification for this merger. The Public Service Commission should strongly reject this. It is in no one's interest but the senior executives of the companies involved

Valerie Itkin Shekomeko, NY 12567 Apr 21, 2013

NoWay not enough concern about the enviorment and getting too Corporate!

GLORIA FILERINO Woodstock, NY 12498 Apr 20, 2013

dorothy craft Hyde Park, NY 12538 Apr 20, 2013 There is no mention of solar or wind power or any alternative power commitment. I am strongly opposed to hydro fracking as well!!

Bonnie J Hundt Ancramdale, NY 12503 Apr 19, 2013

You think central Hudson is BAD ...take a look at this company !!!!

Helen Jenkins Saugerties, NY 12477 Apr 19, 2013

James F Mara STANFORDVILLE, NY 12581 Apr 19, 2013

doreen osullivan Shekomeko, NY 12567 Apr 19, 2013

Michael Ferraro Woodstock, NY 12498 Apr 19, 2013

GERALD W CHESTNEY Pine Plains, NY 12567 Apr 19, 2013

a very backward step in energy production and conservation

Jan Brukman Pine PLains, NY 12567 Apr 19, 2013

Please look into this carefully. It does not seem like a good idea.

Sarah Jones Pine Plains, NY 12567 Apr 19, 2013

Enough. END THE GREED.

Molly Wassermann New Windsor, NY 12553 Apr 19, 2013 Leon Smith Ancramdale, NY 12503 Apr 19, 2013

Elaine Smith Ancramdale, NY 12503 Apr 19, 2013

Peter Caldwell Pine Plains, NY 12567 Apr 19, 2013

Regula Noetzli Pine Plains, NY 12567 Apr 19, 2013

This is not what we want for our only energy source in the Hudson Valley!

Gregg Osofsky Shekomeko, NY 12567 Apr 19, 2013

This acquisition is all about making CH Energy executives rich...not about serving their customers in the Hudson Valley.

Mary Murfitt Ancramdale, NY 12503 Apr 19, 2013

Please reject the takeover!

Kieley Michasiow-Levy West Saugerties, NY 12477 Apr 19, 2013

Steven Shapiro Kingston, NY 12401 Apr 19, 2013

Joan S. Redmond Shekomeko, NY 12567 Apr 19, 2013

Maria DeFranco Shokan, NY 12481 Apr 19, 2013 Don't let this happen! Fortis is obviously an insolvent and poorly managed company.

Clare Brandt Rhinebeck, NY 12572 Apr 19, 2013 Greg Cendrowski Merritt Island, FL 32953 Apr 18, 2013 morten lund Accord, NY 12404 Apr 18, 2013 Mary Joiner New Paltz, New York, NY 12561 Apr 18, 2013 cynthia hotrovich Pleasant Vly, NY 12569 Apr 18, 2013 Katie Love West Hurley, NY 12491 Apr 18, 2013 Walter Clark Cementon, NY 12414 Apr 18, 2013 Safia Johnson Kingston, NY 12401 Apr 18, 2013 Phyllis Bloom Shokan, NY 12481 Apr 18, 2013 Lisa LeMomtagne Loch Sheldrake, NY 12759 Apr 18, 2013 I oppose strongly!

Ursula Freer Santa Fe, NM 87508 Apr 18, 2013 Keep our company local, with employees who know & live in our community. There is also the focus on fracking from Fortis.

Joanna L. Hess Rhinebeck, NY 12572 Apr 18, 2013

Anna McLellan Rhinecliff, NY 12574 Apr 18, 2013

The tidal wave of PR from Fortis and Central Hudson execs claims the takeover is a great deal for rate payers, workers, and consumers. Perhaps, as an act of good will, these execs could forego bonuses for the sale of Central Hudson and be content simply to continue with their substantial salaries. If they could join the IBEW, they would even be guaranteed their jobs for three whole years!

Philip Rose Accord, NY 12404 Apr 18, 2013

Stop this takeover. It is not in the best interest of our community.

Julie Evans Woodstock, NY 12498 Apr 18, 2013

Cornelia McGiver Germantown, NY 12526 Apr 18, 2013

As a Hudson Valley resident I strongly oppose this takeover !

Barbara W. Bash Accord, NY 12404 Apr 18, 2013

Jan Bernhardt Bearsville, NY 12409 Apr 18, 2013

Let's keep our critical energy management in the hands of the local people who serve us so well.

Florence Ancillotti Ruby, NY 12475 Apr 18, 2013

Linda Clark Smith's Landing, NY 12414 Apr 17, 2013

jill St Remy, NY 12401 Apr 17, 2013

Sharon Froehlich Rosendale, NY 12472 Apr 17, 2013

Richard Woodstock, NY 12498 Apr 17, 2013

This is a really bad idea and needs to be stopped.

Howard Saxtan West Saugerties, NY 12477 Apr 17, 2013

Why do we need a Canadian company to supply electricity to residents of NYS??

Teresa Vilardi RHINEBECK, NY 12572 Apr 17, 2013

Jemma Kingston, NY 12401 Apr 16, 2013

Lori Weinreich Poughkeepsie, NY 12603 Apr 16, 2013

Ellen Holmes Samsonville, NY 12461 Apr 16, 2013

Doris Chorny Wallkill, NY 12589-3315 Apr 16, 2013

Richard Edelman Woodstock, NY 12498 Apr 16, 2013

Pam Camara HIGH FALLS, NY 12440 Apr 16, 2013 Jacob Feinberg New Paltz, NE 12561 Apr 16, 2013

I oppose this proposed takeover. Bigger is NOT better.

Andrew Moss Ruby, NY 12475 Apr 16, 2013

Ann Morris West Saugerties, NY 12477 Apr 16, 2013

i am strongly opposed to this takeover.

Nan Tepper Hurley, NY 12443 Apr 16, 2013

Jose Reissig Rhinebeck, NY 12572 Apr 16, 2013

Richard Holloway Saugerties, NY 12477 Apr 16, 2013

Raquel Rabinovich Rhinebeck, NY 12572 Apr 16, 2013

Marji Zintz Olivebridge, NY 12461 Apr 16, 2013

Central Hudson gives great service, we do not want Fortis.

Arthur Weingarten WILLOW, NY 12495 Apr 16, 2013

leah woodstock, NY 12498 Apr 16, 2013

Kathleen Grant Kingston, NY 12401

Jane Brien Red Hook, NY 12504 Apr 16, 2013 Peter Laki Rhinebeck, NY 12572 Apr 16, 2013 nancy red hook, NY 12571 Apr 16, 2013 John Witter New Paltz, NY 12561 Apr 16, 2013 Dawn Layman Saugerties, NY 12477 Apr 16, 2013 Ruth Wetzel The Vly, NY 12484 Apr 16, 2013 Mary White Plains, NY 10606 Apr 16, 2013 Julia Koch Wappingers Fl, NY 12590 Apr 16, 2013 Steffen Hyder Red Hook, NY 12571 Apr 16, 2013 FORTIS IS A COMPANY THAT CAN BE TRUSTED !! Louis Parisi

Louis Parisi Saugerties, NY 12477 Apr 16, 2013

Susan Perrin Olivebridge, NY 12461 Apr 16, 2013

	Lindsay Hereth Glenford, NY 12433 Apr 16, 2013
	Neni Panourgia Nyc, NY 10025 Apr 15, 2013
STOP T	HE CANADIAN TAKEOVER!
	Josette Lee Rhinebeck, NY 12572 Apr 15, 2013
	Vicki Fox Beacon, NY 12508 Apr 15, 2013
	Paul Hotrovich Fishkill, NY 12524 Apr 15, 2013
	Arlene Gould Accord, NY 12404 Apr 15, 2013
	Jennifer Fox Shokan, NY 12481 Apr 15, 2013

Fortis doesn't seem to be an appropriate partner in serving the energy needs of our community.

Lynne Gilson Saugerties, NY 12477 Apr 15, 2013

Sherry Williams rosendale, NY 12472 Apr 15, 2013

Absolutely, the NYSPSC should reject this takeover,

David Arner Kingston, NY 12401 Apr 15, 2013

Jan Harrison Kingston, NY 12401 Apr 15, 2013

Susan Quasha Barrytown, NY 12507 Apr 15, 2013

Susan Ray Rhinecliff, NY 12574 Apr 15, 2013

margaret de wys rhinecliff, NY 12574 Apr 15, 2013

The proposed merger is a corporate profit-driven violation of the public trust and should be opposed.

G Quasha Red Hook, NY 12507 Apr 15, 2013

Enough already STOP

Pamela Pahoa, HI 96778 Apr 15, 2013

I oppose this takeover and sincerely hope it does not happen.

Noel Phillips Barrytown, NY 12507 Apr 15, 2013

From the background that I received regarding this proposed takeover, by Fortis, is not in the best interest of the residents of the mid-Hudson Valley. As a paying electric utility customer, I cannot approve this proposal, without a more in depth review by PSC, and its objective finding

anthony j bonavist hurley, NY 12443 Apr 15, 2013

marilyn vey S Bloomng Grv, NY 10950 Apr 15, 2013

Christina Hunter Billings, MT 59101 Apr 15, 2013 Lori Urbin Red Hook, NY 12571 Apr 15, 2013

Amy Little New Paltz, NY 12562 Apr 15, 2013

Under Nafta rules customers would lose right to legal representation in US courts

J A Kregel Red Hook, NY 12571 Apr 15, 2013

Douglas Pitcher Red Hook, NY 12571 Apr 15, 2013

Please for the sake of all our children, reject the takeover of CH Energy Group by Fortis, Inc.. Fortis has a very poor environmental and community relations record, will not safeguard the jobs of local people, will not have the ability to deal effectively with storm damage to the grid, will not support safe alternative energy sources, has no investment in our Hudson Valley other than big money for the Fortis investors.

Julia Ro Accord, Apr 15,	, NY 12404		
	ne Becker tock, NY 12498 , 2013		
James k Accord, Apr 15,	, NY 12404		

This must be stopped. We had a similar issue with St. Lawrence Cement taking over our environment. Please prevent this from happening.

Sue Elvin-Cooper Catskill, NY 12414 Apr 15, 2013
mary geis high falls, NY 12440 Apr 15, 2013
Danielle Riou Tivoli, NY 12583

Apr 15, 2013

Please keep our energy clean and safe. do not want to get our energy from hydro fracked sources. We appreciate the service the Central Hudson has offered our community. Thank you!

Elise Gold New Paltz, NY 12561 Apr 15, 2013

Carol Chappell High Falls, NY 12440 Apr 15, 2013

John-Paul sliva Annandale-on-Hudson, NY 12504 Apr 15, 2013

Joan Retallack Red Hook, NY 12571 Apr 15, 2013

susan hinkle lindner Rhinebeck, NY 12572 Apr 15, 2013

Maurice Arina RED HOOK, NY 12571 Apr 15, 2013

The takeover is clearly a terrible idea.

Joel Ginzberg High Falls, NY 12440-0007 Apr 14, 2013

They want to "frack us up "!

Harvey Kaiser High Falls, NY 12440 Apr 14, 2013

Jon Nedbor High Falls, NY 12440 Apr 14, 2013

nora feingold HIGH FALLS, NY 12440 Apr 14, 2013

Naja Kraus Rosendale, NY 12472 Apr 14, 2013
Susan Schwimmer Barrytown, NY 12507 Apr 14, 2013
Anita Gehrke high falls, NY 12440 Apr 14, 2013
anna aldrich Red Hook, NY 12571 Apr 14, 2013
Merle Cosgrove mount tremper, NY 12457 Apr 14, 2013
Eric Gidseg, Ph.D. Highland, NY 12528 Apr 14, 2013
Michael Lokensgard Bloomington, NY 12411 Apr 14, 2013
helene Weissman Woodstock, NY 12498 Apr 14, 2013
Barry Lebost Gardiner, NY 12525 Apr 14, 2013
lisa Town Branch, NY 12550 Apr 14, 2013

As this is under NAFTA, we don't want the Canadian Co. Fortis (Case -M-0192) to take over running CH Energy Group. They wouldn't be required to abide by the State and Federal Regulations that U.S. Corporations have to abide by. This would leave NYS residents open to many serious environmental and health hazardous!!

Justina Ortlieb Kerhonkson, NY 12446 Apr 14, 2013 Patricia Livingston Saugerties, NY 12477 Apr 14, 2013

Pia Oste-Alexander Shady, NY 12409 Apr 14, 2013

I urge the PSC to reject the Fortis takeover of Central Hudson.

Doris Soroko Barrytown, NY 12507 Apr 13, 2013

as so mant other take overs, after deregulation, prices go up and quality goes down !!!!!

john a bodnar hurley, NY 12443 Apr 13, 2013

Timothy Elliott Olivebridge, NY 12461 Apr 13, 2013

We do not need another foreign corporation takeover of any business, never mind one so important to our well being. Why doesn't Central Hudson go up to Canada and buy Fortis?

Peter S. Malloy Saugerties, NY 12477 Apr 13, 2013

Pull the plug on this deal! Empower citizen customers, not Canadian corps.

Checko Miller High Falls, NY 12440 Apr 13, 2013

The takeover agreement makes no commitment to raising reliability standards or reducing repair times after storms. The reliability of our electricity supply is the single most important factor, and we are getting nothing in this regard. Indeed, our reliability might get worse. Also, if allowed to go through with this merger, Fortis should guarantee, in a contractual commitment to customers and the PSC, to never invoke any provision of NAFTA, and to submit completely to the rules and regulations set by the State of New York, as they are now and as they are changed in the future.

Frank Brice Hurley, NY 12443 Apr 13, 2013 Al Genthner Saugerties, NY 12477 Apr 13, 2013 Scott Genthner Lake Katrine, NY 12449 Apr 13, 2013 Bert Genthner Saugerties, NY 12477 Apr 13, 2013 Vincenza Pentick Kingston, NY 12401 Apr 13, 2013 W. Ron Schmitz Ulster Par, NY 12487 Apr 13, 2013 Carrie Fisher St Remy, NY 12401 Apr 13, 2013

Please stop this attempt to maximize profit for a few, at a time when looking forward to more sustainable systems is at a critical juncture.

rob lyons lake hill, NY 12448 Apr 13, 2013

I do not believe that Fortis is going to help us or our economy in any way. Any loss of job whether it be 2 years from now or more is something we certainly can NOT afford.

Dawn L Schmitz Ulster Park, NY 12487 Apr 13, 2013

Bruce Williams Red Hook, NY 12571 Apr 13, 2013

jay edelman Rifton, NY 12471 Apr 13, 2013 Stop the take over now

ben ulster park, NY 12487 Apr 13, 2013

stephen romine Woodstock, NY 12498 Apr 13, 2013

Linda Golden St Remy, NY 12401 Apr 13, 2013

Clark Goodrich Woods, NY 12498 Apr 13, 2013

STOP this madness NOW! We know our rights! This is NOT what "we the people" want and you know it!

Nicole Nevin Woodstock, NY 12498 Apr 12, 2013

Henry Starr Mt. Tremper, NY 12457 Apr 12, 2013

Rose Jambrone Mount Tremper, NY 12457-5007 Apr 12, 2013

Gwen Garber Woodstock, NY 12498 Apr 12, 2013

Harriett Straus Gardiner, NY 12525 Apr 11, 2013

w miro Poughkeepsie, NY 12603 Apr 11, 2013

Janet Kingston, NY 12401 Apr 11, 2013 scott gibson new paltz, NY 12561 Apr 11, 2013

As a national security issue, we should not let power sources be controlled by Fortis, or other foreign entities. Who might Fortis sell our precious electricity to? As a consumer safety issue, in the event of a natural disaster such as an ice storm or hurricane, or an electrical "blackout", what would be the response time of a foreign entity be? Would a foreign owned company be sensitive to the needs of consumers in the Hudson Valley?

charlie wappingers falls, NY 12590 Apr 10, 2013
denise Ranaghan LAke Hill, NY 12448 Apr 9, 2013
beth barlow lake katrine, NY 12449 Apr 9, 2013
pamdenney Tillson, NY 12486 Apr 9, 2013
Cindy Cowden Beacon, NY 12508 Apr 9, 2013
Duane McDonald New Paltz, NY 12561 Apr 9, 2013
Russell Bimbo poughkeepsie, NY 12603 Apr 9, 2013
Shawn Harrison Kingston, NY 12401 Apr 9, 2013
Thomas Carpenter Palenville, NY 12463 Apr 9, 2013
Maureen Black Wappingers Falls, NY 12590

Wappingers Falls, NY 12590 Apr 9, 2013

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Woodstock, NY 12498 Apr 8, 2013

This merger is bad news for the people of the Mid-Hudson Valley! The large corporations are already destroying democracy and if we continue to allow such mergers, fascism will become the reality under which we live.

Amy Irene Anderson Kingston, NY 12401-5652 Apr 8, 2013

Jessica Azulay Syracuse, NY 13210 Apr 8, 2013

Raphael Rosenbaum New York, NY 10025 Apr 8, 2013

Erica J Pivko Saugerties, NY 12477 Apr 8, 2013

Sarah Boris St Remy, NY 12401 Apr 8, 2013

Japheth Wood KINGSTON, United States 12401-4907 Apr 8, 2013 Joan Grishman Halcottsville, NY 12438 Apr 8, 2013 Maud McLaughlin The Vly, NY 12484 Apr 8, 2013 Kathleen Taylor Saugerties, NY 12477 Apr 6, 2013 Martha Rogers Canton, NC 28716 Apr 6, 2013 Linda Chesley Poughkeepsie, NY 12601 Apr 6, 2013 Kathleen English Fishkill, NY 12524 Apr 6, 2013 Carin DeNat Palenville, NY 12463 Apr 5, 2013 Rose Quinn Highland, NY 12528 Apr 5, 2013 Arla Clouser Highland, NY 12528 Apr 5, 2013 Rik Flynn Cottekill, NY 12419-5000

Apr 5, 2013

The proposed takeover does nothing to make Fortis improve the power grid, protect us from the effects of storms like Irene, Lee, and Sandy or better utilize clean energy sources. Fortis may be even able to override New York State regulations through the use of the North American Free Trade Agreement, or NAFTA. We call on the New York State Public Service Commission to reject the acquisition of CH Energy Group by Fortis, Inc.

	Loretta Rotolo Ellenville, NY 12428 Apr 5, 2013
	Valerie Linet Boiceville, NY 12412 Apr 5, 2013
	vicki Highland, NY 12528 Apr 4, 2013
	Elizabeth Bailey Boiceville, NY 12412 Apr 4, 2013
	Julie Jakolat Clintondale, NY 12515 Apr 4, 2013
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I want my utilities operated by my neighbors not another country

linda lauretta Kingston, NY 12401 Apr 3, 2013

In addition, NY needs to become energy independent, not dependent on a foreign source of energy that we have no control over. We need to develop solar, hydro & wind energy to power our own communities. We do not know the source of the electricity they may provide & have a right to know & decide how to power our communities.

Toby Stover High Falls, NY 12440 Apr 3, 2013

Janet Binion Atlantic Highlands, United States 07716-1245 Apr 3, 2013

Rich Perkins Hyde Park, NY 12538 Apr 3, 2013 Barb Kingston, NY 12401 Apr 2, 2013

PROTECT opposes imported and centralized energy systems.

Doris Delaney Pittsburgh, PA 15221 Apr 1, 2013

Elizabeth Jennings Olivebridge, NY 12461 Apr 1, 2013

Mary & Rev. Robert Reader Goshen, NY 10924 Apr 1, 2013

David Sides New Paltz, NY 12561 Mar 31, 2013

Jon Ross ulster park, NY 12487 Mar 31, 2013

Joan Unterweger Beacon, NY 12508 Mar 30, 2013

morganne Tillson, NY 12486 Mar 30, 2013

CH Energy Executives are selling our future energy needs out to people who are exploiters and profiteers. We say NO.

Henrietta Wise Olivebridge, NY 12461 Mar 29, 2013 I oppose a multinational coming in, which has no connection to our community and no interest in its well-being. Loss of local jobs will depress our area. This particular company has a dismal environmental record, and no interest in promoting sustainable energy. I personally benefited from a rebate from Central Hudson when I installed a ground source heat pump in conjunction with a photovoltaic system, to lower my energy use and reduce my own involvement with coal-fired power plants. Fortis has no interest in these progressive policies, we're simply a cash cow to them. I've seen Central Hudson workers go to heroic lengths to repair downed lines and restore service, they've saved lives! Because they live here, work here, they're part of this region. Fortis will bring in underpaid non-local workers to replace them, who have not got the training or commitment, and why should they? They will be be exploited for the Fortis bottom line, as we will be. We will suffer; Fortis will be enriched and we will have them on our backs into the indefinite future. I ask that you regard the health of the local communities -- and almost 400,000 customers is no longer so local -- and block this takeover.

Judith A. Karpova Kerhonkson, NY 12446 Mar 29, 2013

Ellen Sticker Marlboro, NY 12542 Mar 29, 2013

For so many reasons this just seems like a bad idea.

David Rosenbaum Rosemdale, NY 12472 Mar 29, 2013

Stuart Greenfield Stone Ridge, NY 12484 Mar 29, 2013

REGINA KLEIN Poughkeepsie, NY 12603 Mar 28, 2013

Vickie Anne O'Dougherty Woodstock, NY 12498 Mar 28, 2013

Nava Tabak Cottekill, NY 12419 Mar 28, 2013

molly dressman saugerties, NY 12477 Mar 26, 2013

Erica Lindsay

ROSENDALE, United States 12472-9669 Mar 26, 2013 Amanda Pillis SAUGERTIES, NY 12477 Mar 26, 2013 Susan elberth Saugerties, NY 12477 Mar 26, 2013 Jennine Elberth SAUGERTIES, NY 12477 Mar 26, 2013 Ron Elberth SAUGERTIES, NY 12477 Mar 26, 2013 Joy Weinberg New Paltz, NY 12561 Mar 25, 2013 Brian Obach New Paltz, NY 12561 Mar 25, 2013 Jeffrey Reel Becket, MA 01223 Mar 24, 2013 Andrea Russo New Paltz, NY 12561 Mar 23, 2013 Alice Andrews New Paltz, NY 12561 Mar 23, 2013 **Daniel Torres** New Paltz, NY 12561 Mar 23, 2013 Anne Haas Olivebridge, NY 12461 Mar 23, 2013 Elizabeth Soto

Pawling, NY 12564

Mar 22, 2013

Lauren Carner PUTNAM VALLEY, NY 10579 Mar 22, 2013

This proposed takeover will endanger local jobs and prevent improvements to the power grid. Do not approve the takeover of CHEnergy Group by Fortis.

Shawn Cahill Westtown, NY 10998 Mar 22, 2013

This is not good for the local economy.

Ajax Greene Gardiner, NY 12525 Mar 22, 2013

The whole purpose of this is to hurt the customers and make the executives richer. Central Hudson does not care about its customers.

Helen Rough Poughkeepsie, NY 12603 Mar 22, 2013

Douglas C Smyth Clinton Corners, NY 12514 Mar 22, 2013

Thank you for your efforts in fighting this!

Doreen Perrine Kingston, NY 12401 Mar 22, 2013

Just say kNOw to Fartis

ed haffmans accord, NY 12404 Mar 21, 2013

Margaret Williams Saugerties, NY 12477 Mar 21, 2013

Margaret Hill Poughkeepsie, NY 12603 Mar 21, 2013 Kathy B Skafidas Warwick, NY 10990 Mar 21, 2013

Development of non-fossil-fuel based alternative energy sources is IMPERATIVE!

Susan J. Murphy Saugerties, NY 12477-1840 Mar 21, 2013

Althea Reinhard Kingston, NY 12401 Mar 21, 2013

Protecting local companies and local jobs is imperative.

Nancy Taylor Stone Ridge, NY 12484 Mar 21, 2013

Jacob Feinberg New paltz, NY 12561 Mar 21, 2013

Bobbi Siegelbaum Spuyten Duyvil, NY 10463 Mar 21, 2013

Cathryn Hay Pine Plains, NY 12567 Mar 21, 2013

James Krivo Beacon, NY 12508 Mar 21, 2013

Debra Klein REd Hook, NY 12571 Mar 21, 2013

Gayle Two Eagles Woodstock, NY 12498 Mar 21, 2013

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please reject!

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Miriam Latzer Tivoli, NY 12583 Mar 21, 2013

local job, local care, local profits

Doreen Powers Brodheadsville, PA 18322 Mar 21, 2013

David Cantor Otisville, NY 10963 Mar 21, 2013

Todd Wolgamuth Kingston, NY 12401 Mar 21, 2013

Susan Hereth St Remy, NY 12401 Mar 21, 2013

Judith Stahl Stone Ridge, NY 12484 Mar 21, 2013

By handing over the keys to our Electricity to someone who has no interest in our community is plain wrong.

Honorable James R. Doxsey Poughkeepsie, NY 12601 Mar 21, 2013

Debra Hall Hopewell Junction, NY 12533 Mar 20, 2013 this cannot be allowed

CLARICE KLEPADLO ROME, NY 13440 Mar 20, 2013

Elizabeth Soto Pawling, NY 12564 Mar 20, 2013

We Say No to Monopolies! Don't Let Fortis Pass Go!

Schuyler Kempton Poughkeepsie, NY 12603 Mar 20, 2013

Michael Jay Walton Park, NY 10950 Mar 20, 2013

This is not in the public's best interest.

Jill obrig St Remy, NY 12401 Mar 20, 2013

As a resident of New Paltz and as a long-time customer of Central Hudson, I am opposed to having a company from another country take over Central Hudson. Central Hudson needs to be in charge!

Gail S. Ganter-Toback New Paltz, NY 12561-2003 Mar 20, 2013

Keep union jobs here in the hudson valley!

John New Paltz, NY 12561 Mar 20, 2013

Stephen Shirak Kingston, NY 12401 Mar 20, 2013

Miriam Strouse New Paltz, NY 12561 Mar 20, 2013

 Femi Ford

 Warwick, NY 10990

 Mar 20, 2013

 Chuck Davis

 Woodstock, NY 12498

 Mar 20, 2013

 Lothar Osterburg

 Brooklyn, NY 11215

 Mar 20, 2013

 Goldie Goldberg

 Whitfield, NY 12404

 Mar 19, 2013

 No Merger!

Linda DuBois-Kraus New Paltz, NY 12561 Mar 19, 2013

Central Hudson has been a financially sound, community-responsive utility serving and enhancing the comunity. It has a strong future in this mode, and would be effectively dismantled in a Fortis takeover scenario.

Melissa Everett Rosendale, NY 12472 Mar 19, 2013

Cory Smith Woodstock, NY 12498 Mar 19, 2013

Deborah Papperman Rhinebeck, NY 12572 Mar 19, 2013

Gail Picciati Tillson, NY 12486 Mar 19, 2013

Barbara Ross Woodstock, NY 12498 Mar 19, 2013

Kris Red Hook, NY 12504 Mar 19, 2013

Carole M Smith Kingston, NY 12401 Mar 19, 2013

Micaela Morrissette Rhinebeck, NY 12572 Mar 19, 2013

Vitin Red Hook, NY 12504 Mar 19, 2013

Lisa Shields DeRuvo West Hurley, NY 12491 Mar 19, 2013

James Luckner High Falls, NY 12440 Mar 19, 2013

Linda Rutzky Middletown, NY 10940 Mar 19, 2013

This ESSENTIAL for the health and well-being of the local New York State community which you serve! Please, DO NOT DELAY in rejecting this proposal.

Santha Cooke Salt Point, NY 12578 Mar 19, 2013

o New Paltz, NY 12561 Mar 19, 2013

Nancy Smith Kingston, NY 12401 Mar 19, 2013

Rebecca Shamson Kerhonkson, NY 12446 Mar 19, 2013

claire Wasser high falls, NY 12440 Mar 19, 2013

A. Wolf Monroe, NY 10949 Mar 19, 2013
Mark Rausher New Paltz, NY 12561 Mar 18, 2013
Lawrence Kramer Rhinebeck, NY 12572 Mar 18, 2013
Christopher Beall Hurley, NY 12443 Mar 18, 2013
Esther So Kortright, NY 13842 Mar 18, 2013
Jeff Jurgens Red Hook, NY 12571 Mar 18, 2013
inge kraus new paltz, NY 12561 Mar 18, 2013
Dan Paashaus cottekill, NY 12419 Mar 18, 2013
Felicia Keesing Tivoli, NY 12583 Mar 18, 2013
gwen - milt Schaffer - Mesirow Warwick, NY 10990 Mar 18, 2013

I am opposed to a foreign company controlling a vital utility such as electricity.

Martha Red Hook, NY 12571 Mar 18, 2013 We will stop this from happening. Mark my words.

Jonn Blackwell Stone Ridge, NY 12484 Mar 18, 2013

Susan Hoover woodstock, NY 12498 Mar 18, 2013

Judith Hoyt New Paltz, NY 12561 Mar 18, 2013

NYS Public Service Commission was formed to support the needs and interestes of the people of the State,, not the Corporations. It is an oversight commission. Perhaps the commission has forgotten its purpose. Fortis will a disaster of infinitely greater magnitude than the problems we have with our local utility Central Hudson. Globablization of corporative interests has never served the needs of the local people. You need to assert your local mission and prevent the foreign corporation, Fortis, from taking over our local utility company.

tanya marquette New Paltz, NY 12561 Mar 18, 2013

Loretta Akers Woodstock, NY 12498 Mar 18, 2013

Do not let corporate free-traders undermine our ability to manage our local utility services. Keep CH local.

Sarina Pepper West Shokan, NY 12494 Mar 18, 2013

I am urging the New York State Public Service Commission to reject the acquisition of CH Energy Group by Fortis, Inc. We need local jobs, local economy, local sustainable power provision. Fortis has a known track record of raising rates, bringing in outside contractors, and has no loyalty to our local community.

Edward Schoelwer High Falls, NY 12440 Mar 18, 2013

jennifer maharry St Remy, NY 12401 Mar 18, 2013

Simeen Sattar

Annandale, NY 12504 Mar 18, 2013

Timothy Bruck Accord, NY 12404 Mar 18, 2013

Eila Kokkinen West Camp, NY 12490 Mar 18, 2013

I am a longtime customer of Central Hudson/CH Energy and I strongly oppose the proposed sale to Fortis.

Ann Gabler Red Hook, NY 12571 Mar 18, 2013

I don't want Central Hudson sold to Fortis. They will not be responsible and help us move to green energy, they could use NAFTA against us, they have a history of environmental degradation, and extreme rate hikes. NO TO FORTIS. Local ownership is better. The more local the better.

Laurel Lindewall Saugerties, NY 12477 Mar 18, 2013
paul murray ll Ulster Park, NY 12487 Mar 18, 2013
rosemary milici high falls, NY 12440 Mar 18, 2013
Rebecca Smylie Nyc, NY 10025 Mar 18, 2013
Jessica Highland, NY 12528 Mar 18, 2013
Carol Rogers Oneonta, NY 13820 Mar 18, 2013
Danielle Bissett North Baldwin, NY 11510

Mar 18, 2013

This takeaver must be stopped

Elizabeth Smith St Remy, NY 12401 Mar 18, 2013

to many unanswered questions

Jeanette Provenzano Kingston, NY 12401 Mar 18, 2013

Saidee Brown Kingston, NY 12401 Mar 18, 2013

frederick hammond Linlithgo, NY 12526 Mar 18, 2013

Josephine French Pine Plains, NY 12567 Mar 18, 2013

Rachel Kitzinger Poughkeepsie, NY 12603 Mar 18, 2013

Tyler Beatrice New Paltz, NY 12561 Mar 18, 2013

James Rosasco Rhinebeck, NY 12572 Mar 18, 2013

Kenny Kasselder MSLA, MT 59801 Mar 18, 2013

Laura Dull New Paltz, NY 12561 Mar 18, 2013

patricia sullivan Beacon, NY 12508 Mar 18, 2013 I oppose the takeover of CH Energy Group by Canadian holding company Fortis, Inc. (Case 12-M-0912). I am in agreement with all of the statements made by Robert F. Kennedy, Jr. in his May 28, 2013, letter to Commissioner Garry Brown.

Amie McEvoy LaGrangeville, NY 12540 Mar 18, 2013

susan camarata West Saugerties, NY 12477 Mar 18, 2013

Please reject the takeover! We don't want our utility owned by a multinational corporation.

Maria Reidelbach Accord, NY 12404 Mar 18, 2013

We need sustainable energy. We need local jobs. We need to stop outsourcing our business at the expense of our local jobs and local environment. Stop the madness!

Mary krembs Rhinebeck, NY 12572 Mar 18, 2013

i oppose the greedy sociopathic people behind this move!

rosemary fox glenford, NY 12433 Mar 18, 2013

Bill Kelly Elsmere, NY 12054 Mar 18, 2013

Virginia Smith Wallkill, NY 12589 Mar 18, 2013

Please stop this takeover that will not only risk local jobs and the economic balance, but also the fragile Hudson Valley environment and New York City watershed that depends so much on the health of our lands and waters!

Emily Krohn Germantown, NY 12526 Mar 18, 2013

Marie Edwards

Poughkeepsie, NY 12601 Mar 18, 2013

Please do not allow this take over to occur in the interests of our environment and the citizens of New York State.

Sue Elvin-Cooper Catskill, NY 12414 Mar 18, 2013

Susan White Rhinebeck, NY 12572 Mar 18, 2013

marcia villiers New Paltz, NY 12561 Mar 18, 2013

Julie Stebbins Mount Tremper, NY 12457 Mar 18, 2013

Fredrick Duignan Lake Hill, NY 12448 Mar 18, 2013

Mary wawro saugerties, NY 12477 Mar 18, 2013

Bruce Robertson Rhinebeck, NY 12572 Mar 18, 2013

Virginia Luppino West Saugerties, NY 12477 Mar 18, 2013 I thought New York State was better than this? What a disgrace. What is wrong with a local NY co-op, or at least an American-in-state company for delivering energy instead of a foreign entity? If you think you're going to have better customer service for energy delivery, think again. If this is the way things are now, then this is a valid statement, "America - For Sale". We should be proud of that because we let it, and continue to let it happen. Way to go NY. I can't wait for the Saudi's to buy out ConEdison, or better yet have the NYSPSC throw in NYPA as a goodwill gesture! To the highest bidder...

Chris Peterson Poughquag, NY 12570 Mar 18, 2013

Nancy Leonard Rhinebeck, NY 12572 Mar 18, 2013

elizabeth robinson hopewell jct, NY 12533 Mar 18, 2013

Gidon Eshel Rhienbeck, NY 12572 Mar 18, 2013

Hadley taylor New Paltz, NY 12561 Mar 18, 2013

This is terribly important.

Carolyn Dewald Red Hook, NY 12571 Mar 18, 2013

bernard greenwald red Hook, NY 12571 Mar 18, 2013

Florian N Becker North Chatham, MA 02650 Mar 18, 2013

Jane Dougall Rhinebeck, NY 12572 Mar 18, 2013 Please do not merge these electric companies. We need to have our central husdson continue its expert coverage that we appreciate. Thank you, Peggy

Peggy Fusco Woodstock, NY 12498 Mar 17, 2013

Tim Hunter Gardiner, NY 12525 Mar 17, 2013

this is not the time to give up jurisdiction over our energy sources. new owners should have to prove their commitment.

Susan Goldman Woodstock, NY 12498 Mar 17, 2013

vivian beatrice West Saugerties, NY 12477 Mar 17, 2013

Patricia Brescia-Cantine United States 12498-1441 Mar 17, 2013

Brin Magee Staatsburg, NY 12580 Mar 17, 2013

Luc Sante Kingston, NY 12401 Mar 17, 2013

Jean Churchill St Remy, NY 12401 Mar 17, 2013

Please reject this take-over. It will be detrimental to the customers and will be a further impediment to improving the grid system.

Patricia Henighan Walden, NY 12586 Mar 17, 2013

Brian Conn Annandale on Hudson, NY 12504 Mar 17, 2013 Keith Sanborn Catskill, NY 12414-0791 Mar 17, 2013

We want sustainable energy!

Katherine Gould-Martin Annandale, NY 12504 Mar 17, 2013

Marion Corbin Rhinebeck, NY 12572 Mar 17, 2013

Kristin Lucas Beacon, NY 12508 Mar 17, 2013

Lawrence Godfried New York, NY 10025 Mar 17, 2013

Leslie Rolnick Woodstock, NY 12498 Mar 17, 2013

Clayton Horsey Woodstock, NY 12498 Mar 17, 2013

I much prefer a locally run company where the top executives live within the service area.

Stuart Auchincloss Woodstock, NY 12498 Mar 17, 2013

Donna laPolt New Paltz, NY 12561 Mar 17, 2013

Local, not foreign control of NYS energy!

Joanne Steele Saint Remy, NY 12401 Mar 17, 2013

Nick Miller Nyc, NY 10025 Mar 17, 2013

Mark Beaumont New Paltz, NY 12561 Mar 17, 2013

Feebe Greco New Paltz, NY 12561 Mar 17, 2013

Alma Rodriguez Phoenicia, NY 12464 Mar 17, 2013

Say NO to outsourcing our jobs and letting foreign companies take over our American companies!

Gertrude Kaiser Olive Bridge, NY 12461 Mar 17, 2013

Melissa A Wood Ulster Park, NY 12487 Mar 17, 2013

Once again our elected officials side with corporations and turn their backs on the American people. No one any degree of common sense would want our sources of electricity to be controlled by another country exempt from all of our regulatory protections.

Ronald Roberts New Windsor, NY 12553 Mar 17, 2013

Considering the history Fortis has shown in managing electricity suppliers outside it's own borders, how can we trust them to do right by customers in the Hudson Valley? In Belize, Turks and Caicos Fortis has shown a pattern of borrowing to support operations while pocketing huge profits, all at the expense of customers. As a foreign company Fortis will have not have the same sense of responsibility to do right by their neighbors and run the utility as a sustainable operation for the benefit of the region. Central Hudson has a track record of responsible stewardship of this vital resource. Do not allow this sale of our utility to foreign robber barrons.

danielle fridstrom Rosendale, NY 12472 Mar 17, 2013

You can not replace a local company with a foriegn company and expect the same level of interest and responsibility to the community's needs. Allowng Fortis to takeover Central Hudson would be to the detriment of the community and will be remembered come election time.

Daniel Haskew Rosendale, NY 12472 Joan Grishman Hyde Park, NY 12538 Mar 17, 2013

jim beretta Poughkeepsie, NY 12603 Mar 17, 2013

Terese Linton Montgomery, NY 12549 Mar 17, 2013

Anne Vetran Millerton, NY 12546 Mar 17, 2013

John Bassler Saugerties, NY 12477 Mar 17, 2013

Sylvia Ruth Weinberg Woodstock, NY 12498 Mar 17, 2013

Robin smith Highland, NY 12528 Mar 17, 2013

Turn the lights off on corporate greed

Del Seligman Kingston, NY 12401 Mar 16, 2013

Deborah Covi Glenford, NY 12433 Mar 16, 2013

Brian Cafferty Kingston, NY 12401 Mar 16, 2013

Sari Botton Rosendale, NY 12472 Mar 16, 2013

Katherine Hover West Saugerties, NY 12477 Mar 16, 2013 James Manuel shady, NY 12409 Mar 16, 2013 Mary Pesez Kames Freehold, NY 12431 Mar 16, 2013 Judi Bachrach Bearsville, NY 12409 Mar 16, 2013 Denise Edelson Woodstock, NY 12498 Mar 16, 2013 kathleen davis Shady, NY 12409 Mar 16, 2013 Dick Hermans Pine Plains, NY 12567 Mar 16, 2013 This is the wrong direction to go in for energy independence. We need to find local sustainable sources to feed the grid. Felisa Ellenville, NY 12428 Mar 16, 2013

Tom Parrett Millerton, NY 12546 Mar 16, 2013

fre atlast rosendale, NY 12472 Mar 16, 2013

Roger Glasgow United States 14222-1450 Mar 15, 2013 Daniel Lipson New Paltz, NY 12561 Mar 15, 2013

Bob Hausman Woodstock, NY 12498 Mar 15, 2013

Enough! Stop the greed please. CEOs, your self-worth cannot be measured in your material wealth. I urge you all to seek professional help. Insatiable greed is an illness. Thank you.

Debra Slattery Slate Hill, NY 10973 Mar 15, 2013

Randolph Hurst Slate Hill, NY 10973 Mar 15, 2013

Fortis operating our local utility is bad for customers, our neighbors, the environment, and the world.

Gary Jacobson Rosendale, NY 12472 Mar 15, 2013

Patricia Stedge Kingston, NY 12401 Mar 15, 2013

Nancy Schniedewind New Paltz, NY 12561 Mar 15, 2013

Kat Fisher Kingston, NY 12401 Mar 15, 2013

Doreen Tignanelli Poughkeepsie, NY 12603 Mar 15, 2013

Carol Bean West Saugerties, NY 12477 Mar 15, 2013

We need sustainable energy and local control!

Joanne Steele Saint Remy, NY 12401 Mar 15, 2013

Bremdan Merrott kingston, NY 12401 Mar 15, 2013

We need to keep Central Hudson Management local and accountable, as well as keep local jobs.

marguerite shinouda new paltz, NY 12561 Mar 15, 2013

This purchase is detrimental to the local community and to the longterm future of our economy and environment. The optimal solution chosen by an increasing number of communities is for a municipal owned utility (ref: NYTimes business article 3/14/13).

Barbara Miller Olivebridge, NY 12461 Mar 15, 2013

Pekoe Teves Bearsville, NY 12409 Mar 15, 2013

arlene gail New Paltz, NY 12561 Mar 15, 2013

Fortis's reputation suggests that I will be worse off than I am now in terms of reliability of electrical service.

David Gillis Bearsville, NY 12409 Mar 15, 2013

Maryellen Whittington-Couse Tillson, NY 12486 Mar 15, 2013

Emma Goshen, NY 10924 Mar 15, 2013 this will do more harm to me and my neighbors. To give this company to a foreign country who will not have to listen to what the p.s.c. has to say. Then we will have our power source controlled by someone who dosen t even live in this state. That is part of the T.P.P.!!! Please protect us. This is why the P.S.C. was formed!!!!!

joseph barbarito New Paltz, NY 12561 Mar 15, 2013 robert greenough kerhonkson, NY 12446 Mar 15, 2013 Allison Gillette Walden, NY 12586 Mar 15, 2013 Trish Haelen Scotchtown Branch, NY 10940 Mar 15, 2013 Laura Heady Tillson, NY 12486 Mar 15, 2013 Carolyn Yingling Catskill, NY 12414 Mar 15, 2013 Greedy corporations steamroll over local people. We must draw the line on corrupt bureaucrats that enable that process. ed haffmans accord, NY 12404 Mar 14, 2013 Rev. Regina-Sophia Siegel Tivoli, NY 12583 Mar 14, 2013 Blythe New Paltz, NY 12561 Mar 14, 2013 bryn kelsey woodstock, NY 12498 Mar 14, 2013

THERESE SIBON NY, NY 12561 Mar 14, 2013

Ann & David Loretan Ossining, NY 10562 Mar 14, 2013

Is this even legal? Such is the state of our government?

Elaine Hencke Woodstock, NY 12498 Mar 14, 2013

Doree Lipson New Paltz, NY 12561 Mar 14, 2013

Pamela Wanning Stone Ridge, NY 12484 Mar 14, 2013

Rochelle Victor Accord, NY 12404 Mar 14, 2013

Dan Shapley Port Ewen, NY 12466 Mar 14, 2013

Michael Russo New Paltz, NY 12561 Mar 14, 2013

Helen Harkaspi Kerhonkson, NY 12446 Mar 14, 2013

Kate McCoy Rosendale, NY 12472 Mar 14, 2013

Susan Blickstein New paltz, NY 12561 Mar 14, 2013 We do not want our local utility sold to an entity that is not connected to our community. We do not want our bothers and sisters and friends to lose their jobs!

gian starr New Paltz, NY 12561 Mar 14, 2013

Central Hudson is no bargain but the Canadian company has a bad reputation and we do not want our people to loose their jobs.

margie licchiello pleasant valley, NY 12569 Mar 14, 2013

joi greeno kerhonkson, NY 12446 Mar 14, 2013

Anytime a large corporation has moved into the area and displaced smaller local business, industry, utilities, we have gotten less service for higher prices.

anne wandres New Paltz, NY 12561 Mar 14, 2013

Carol Cooper St Remy, NY 12401 Mar 14, 2013

James Finnigan New Hamburg, NY 12590 Mar 14, 2013

Jay Wenk Woodstock, NY 12498 Mar 14, 2013

Christine Morley Boiceville, NY 12412 Mar 14, 2013

Central Hudson is a caring & efficient company & we will not tolerate a takeover from Fortis

Annette Andre-Weingarten WILLOW, NY 12495 Mar 14, 2013 The Canadians are already poisoning Native Peoples living in the tar sands areas. What's next??

Karen Hall Greenfield Park, NY 12435 Mar 14, 2013

This is a very unwise idea -- we will be sorry in time to come that we have given away such an essential part of our lives

Glenn Nystrup New Paltz, NY 12561 Mar 14, 2013 caralee moor Woodstock, NY 12498 Mar 14, 2013 Bena Silber Poughkeepsie, NY 12601 Mar 14, 2013 harela paglia Wiccopee, NY 12533 Mar 14, 2013 Martin Finkelstein wappingers falls, NY 12590 Mar 14, 2013 Leslie Gerber Woodstock, NY 12498 Mar 14, 2013 Jerome Taub Lake Hill, NY 12448 Mar 14, 2013 susan butterfield ulster park, NY 12487 Mar 14, 2013 Barbara Bayer Woodstock, NY 12498 Mar 14, 2013 Sandra Pitner Newburgh, NY 12550 Mar 14, 2013

John McLaughlin Newburgh, NY 12550 Mar 14, 2013

ERNEST LONGHI SR PHOENICIA, NY 12464 Mar 14, 2013

The benefit to this takeover is to the Corporate officers not the ratepayers. It is bad business to put control in remote large scale corporations. The smaller the better in maintaining control and watching our for our interests.

Scott Chase Pine Plains, NY 12567 Mar 14, 2013

Rudy Hunter Ollivebridge, NY 12461 Mar 14, 2013

George Koury Olivebridge, NY 12461 Mar 14, 2013

I strongly believe that the PSC should look at the bigger picture this proposed merger, Champlain/Hudson transmission line and the expansion of more Hydro power in the Maritime provences are all connected. The combined and cumulative effects of which will be harmful to all migitory fish, marine mamals, waterfoul and the humans who depend upon them.

Jim Davis Bearsville, NY 12409 Mar 14, 2013
Shebar Windstone Catskill, NY 12414 Mar 14, 2013
nurit Highland, NY 12528 Mar 14, 2013
Heidi Beacon, NY 12508 Mar 14, 2013
abby Shokan, NY 12481 Mar 14, 2013

Central Hudson has been on eof the best power companies in the State. Why are we messing with success??

Joan Roberts Woodstock, NY 12498 Mar 14, 2013

Irwin Marcus Boiceville, NY 12412 Mar 14, 2013

Barbara Salzman Kerhonkson, NY 12446 Mar 14, 2013

Sir: Retain the present status. Do not allow the takeover by Canadian holding company Fortis, Inc. (Case 12-M-0192) Thank you Dr. Edwin Albert Pell II PhD

Dr. Edwin Albert Pell II PhD Yorktown Heights, NY 10598 Mar 14, 2013

Please keep our local utility with our local company, Central Hudson (CH Energy Group).

Kathleen Nolan, MD, MSL Mount Tremper, NY 12457 Mar 14, 2013

josie baucom St Remy, NY 12401 Mar 14, 2013

Marsha Leed Wappingers Falls, NY 12590 Mar 14, 2013

Keith Kinneberg Pine Island, NY 10969-1616 Mar 14, 2013

We have more than enough control of our daily lives by big corporations We should be breaking them up, not consolidating.

Irene Adamek West Hurley, NY 12491 Mar 14, 2013

donna gomez saugertied, NY 12477 Mar 14, 2013

These takeovers just hurt the citizens and help the corporations and the rich. Enough big corporations that control our lives.

Harris Breiman West Hurley, NY 12491 Mar 14, 2013

The New York State Public Service Commission should reject the takeover of CH Energy Group by Canadian holding company Fortis, Inc. (Case 12-M-0192). A takeover will jeopardize 375,000 customers' well-being, endanger local jobs, and prevent improvements to the power grid needed to protect New Yorkers from the effects of severe storms and fight climate change.

ilyse simon kingston, NY 12401 Mar 14, 2013
Donna Cinelli West Hurley, NY 12491 Mar 14, 2013
Kay Olan Saratoga Springs, NY 12866 Mar 14, 2013

We need to start the process of taking over private utilities and making them publicly owned by the communities they serve. Then we start to decentralize the grid with smaller publicly owned utilities that are focused on the development and use of solar, wind and small scale, non-destructive hydro.

Peter Cook Saugerties, NE 12477 Mar 14, 2013

Charlene Dye New Paltz, NY 12561 Mar 14, 2013

Patricia Smith Staatsburg, NY 12580 Mar 14, 2013

This sounds like a horrible idea, taking the power for our power out of New York State.

Kristen Wilson Kingston, NY 12401 Mar 14, 2013 Absolutely. Ultimately these big corporation are too big to jail.

Moira Shaw Bearsville, NY 12409 Mar 14, 2013

Nikki Goldbeck Woodstock, NY 12498 Mar 14, 2013

Richard Saunders Nelsonville, NY 10516 Mar 14, 2013

Kristin Brown New Paltz, NY 12561 Mar 14, 2013

This is a travesty on many levels. Local energy, distributed generation, local jobs, local economy. Halt this merger.

Jim Gordon New Paltz, NY 12561 Mar 14, 2013

David Walsh Chichester, NY 12416 Mar 14, 2013

Big is not necessarily better. We need some local control. We do not need a power company "to big to control."

David Goldbeck woodstock, NY 12498 Mar 14, 2013

Margaret Ryon Palenville, NY 12463 Mar 14, 2013

Fay Loomis Kerhonkson, NY 12446 Mar 14, 2013

Lenore Strocchia-Rivera Highland, NY 12528 Mar 14, 2013 Laura Finestone Accord, NY 12404 Mar 14, 2013

How can this possibly be better for anyone other than a handful of overpaid executives. Is this going to create jobs. What are you really thinking?

salvatore cassisi chester, NY 10918 Mar 14, 2013

Eric Friedman New PAltz, NY 12561 Mar 14, 2013

Darrett Roberts Poughkeepsie, NY 12601-4325 Mar 14, 2013

The US needs to run their own companies. The Canadians are too cavalier with US resources. Their has not been enough investigation.

Michelle Higgins kingston, NY 12401 Mar 14, 2013

Keep Central Hudson a regional company instead of enriching a few people at the expense of consumers!!

Joanne Michaels Woodstock, NY 12498 Mar 14, 2013

Paul Tobin West Shokan, NY 12494 Mar 14, 2013

Ethan Vesely-Flad Tarrytown, NY 10591 Mar 14, 2013

I believe in local control, and local responsibility/accountability.

Mildred Meyer High Falls, NY 12440 Mar 13, 2013

Cynthia Bell Ruby, NY 12475

Please keep our local utility local!

cornelia wathen Stone Ridge, NY 12484 Mar 13, 2013

Barbara Bonham Middletown, NY 10940 Mar 13, 2013

Larry Federman Palenville, NY 12463 Mar 13, 2013

Connie Hogarth Beacon, NY 12508 Mar 13, 2013

Constance Kustas LaGrangeville, NY 12540 Mar 13, 2013

Jennifer Zackin Bearsville, NY 12409 Mar 13, 2013

Dennis Bressack Woodstock, NY 12498 Mar 13, 2013

polly howells Brooklyn, NY 11215 Mar 12, 2013

Anne and Stephen Friedland Poughkeepsie, NY 12601-5802 Mar 12, 2013

This should remain and American company under NYS pervue.

debbie erichson Poughkeepsie, NY 12601 Mar 12, 2013

Victor Stern Poughkeepsie, NY 12603 Mar 12, 2013 Ellen Stern Poughkeepsie, NY, NY 12603 Mar 12, 2013

Duane E. Hutton Poughkeepsie, NY 12603 Mar 12, 2013

This will not be a good thing for Central Hudson customers.

Elyse and Neil Mansfield HYDE PARK, NY 12538 Mar 12, 2013

Very concerned about the proposed takeover of CH Energy Group by a non-US holding company who will have no direct interest in helping local power customers.

Randolph Burgess New York, NY 10014 Mar 12, 2013

Mark DeNat Palenville, NY 12463 Mar 12, 2013

Joan Martorano Beacon, NY 12508 Mar 12, 2013

Carol March Willow, NY 12495 Mar 11, 2013

David Porter New Paltz, NY 12561 Mar 11, 2013

Deborah Helck Litchfield, CT 06759 Mar 11, 2013

Please do not let this happen!!!

Eleanor Minsky Saugerties, NY 12477 Mar 11, 2013 Rosalyn Cherry
New Paltz, NY 12561
Mar 11, 2013joan Walker
Woodstock, NY 12498
Mar 11, 2013Megan J Hastie
Barrytown, NY 12507
Mar 10, 2013Jason Warren
New Paltz, NE 12561
Mar 10, 2013

In addition to being a customer of Central Hudson, in a rural neighborhood that often needs restoration services after storms, I am also an Independent Associate with Viridian Energy, an ESCO through which CH customers can buy greener energy.

Danielle Woerner Woodstock, United States 12498-0311 Mar 10, 2013

Ruth Schrage St Remy, NY 12401 Mar 10, 2013

Lee thompson New Paltz, NY 12561 Mar 10, 2013

Please protect us from those whose only interest is to increase their profits.

Judy Mage New Paltz, NY 12561 Mar 10, 2013

Stephanie Ellis Tillson, NY 12486 Mar 10, 2013

Sue Rosenberg Saugerties, NY 12477 Mar 10, 2013

Holly Shader Gardiner, NY 12525 Mar 10, 2013

The final decision to approve of or deny this merger is based on its being of benefit to the public. The current Joint Proposal does not offer any net benefit and must be denied by the PSC!

Rosalyn New Paltz, NY 12561 Mar 10, 2013 Julia Hamilton Cottekill, NY 12419 Mar 10, 2013 Laraine Mai New Paltz, NY 12561 Mar 10, 2013 Anne Johnson Rosendale, NY 12472 Mar 10, 2013 Hope Windle Rosendale, NY 12472 Mar 10, 2013 William Johnston HIGH FALLS, NY 12440 Mar 9, 2013 enzo cnop Studio City, CA 91604 Mar 9, 2013

Keep NY jobs for New Yorkers. this company has a bad reputation for . destroying our environment and we do not need anymore of that. Support Assemblyman Cahill and just say NO!

White Feather Curtiss Samsonville, NY 12461 Mar 9, 2013

Antonia Wilson New Paltz, NY 12561 Mar 9, 2013

wayne montecalvo kingston, NY 12401 Mar 9, 2013

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Lisa F Rosen Mar 9,	dale, NY 12472	
	Pagliarulo Park, NY 12487 , 2013	
	Wilson stock, NY 12498 , 2013	
	n banger AZ 85032 , 2013	
	Aguirre ville, NY 12401 , 2013	
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	a Jurcic Paltz, NY 12561 , 2013	
	m Straus oint, NY 12578 , 2013	

This is the time to draw the line against sacrificing our future to a few stunningly ignorant greedy automatons who cannot help themselves from compulsively doing whatever will briefly prop them up with more illusory wealth.

Please use your power to stop this take over! Help us work toward a greener and more just solution to our energy needs!

Lori Gross Rosendale, NY 12472 Mar 9, 2013 Fran Collet Hurley, NY 12443 Mar 8, 2013

I am against the takeover of my local Energy Group by Canadian holding company Fortis Inc.

Paul Kester Kingston, NY 12401 Mar 8, 2013

Ida Woodstock, NY 12498 Mar 8, 2013

Please apply 'due diligence' and allow for a full public disclosure and debate on this action before passing judgement.

Jim Peppler Saugerties, NY 12477 Mar 8, 2013

please, no more foreign raping of resources! control our costs!

Amber Kelly Rosendale, NY 12472 Mar 8, 2013

Local is the way, that's what I have to say!

Gabor Funk Woodstock, NY 12498 Mar 8, 2013

karl raacke olivebridge, NY 12461 Mar 8, 2013

Samantha Clayton Toronto, Canada Mar 8, 2013

Jacky Davis-Soman Rosendale, NY 12472 Mar 8, 2013

Liz Menendez Woodstock, NY 12498 Mar 8, 2013 Besides being against this in principle, what effects the environment of the Catskills has a direct impact on us downstate. CH Energy should not be allowed to take over the Mid-Hudson Valley utility!

Susan Szeliga Brooklyn, NY 11238 Mar 8, 2013 Stacey Schaffer Highland, NY 12528 Mar 8, 2013 jess youngquest Lodi, NY 14860 Mar 8, 2013

Stop the Canadian Takeover of our Local Utility, CENTRAL HUDSON !

A Hemenway Nyc, NY 10128 Mar 8, 2013 Ruth Meaker Whitfield, NY 12404 Mar 8, 2013 Freddie Katz NYC, NY 10036 Mar 8, 2013 Stay local Energy! JESSE SCHERER ROSENDALE, NY 12472 Mar 7, 2013 Erin Rosendale, NY 12472 Mar 7, 2013

I oppose the take over of Central Hudson by a foreign firm...There is no way that a foreign company should wield the power to control our utilities or that they would care the slightest about anything except their profit margin.

Pamela Krimsky Highland, NY 12528 Mar 7, 2013 We want our utility to remain under the agreements in it's founding charter, we want it run by an American corporation, we want it FULLY subject to American and NY Law, including anti- monopoly legislation and the original charter with it's goal of universal electrification, and vulnerable to NY fines and repercussions.

Joan Ziegler-Horton Kingston, NY 12401 Mar 7, 2013

The risks and problems with having foreigh ownership of our local utilities far outweighs any of it's alleged benefits

Robert Moss Saugerties, NY 12477 Mar 7, 2013
Reta Sorge Tillson, NY 12486 Mar 7, 2013
Laurie Husted Red Hook, NY 12571 Mar 7, 2013
Victor Kragh Kingston, NY 12401 Mar 7, 2013
Niki Fade St Remy, NY 12401 Mar 7, 2013
Lori traver High falls, NY 12440 Mar 7, 2013
Lea Kelly ROSENDALE, NY 12472 Mar 7, 2013
Eve Waltermaurer High Falls, NY 12440 Mar 7, 2013

AS A LOVER OF THE ENVIRONMENT HERE IN THE MID HUDSON VALLEY WHERE I LIVE, AND MOST ESPECIALLY IN THIS ECONOMIC SITUATION WHERE TOO MANY PEOPLE HAVE ALREADY LOST THEIR JOBS...I SIGN THIS PETITION. REV. TOM MARTIN DEELY

Thomas Deely ESOPUS, NY 12429 Mar 7, 2013
Giselle potter Kingston, NY 12401 Mar 7, 2013
Lawrence Perfetti Highland Park, NJ 08904 Mar 7, 2013
Claudia Brown Rosendale, NY 12472 Mar 7, 2013
Ann Citron Tillson, NY 12486 Mar 7, 2013
Laura Rose Gardiner, NY 12525 Mar 7, 2013
David Metzger Rosendale, NY 12472 Mar 7, 2013
Madeleine Swirsky High Falls, NY 12440 Mar 7, 2013
Edward Curtz Kingston, NY 12401 Mar 6, 2013

do not allow Fortis, Inc. to take over CH Energy Group!!

ed maestro Rosendale, NY 12472 Mar 6, 2013

Jan Melchior kingston, NY 12401 Mar 6, 2013

miriam patton Rosendale, NY 12472 Mar 6, 2013

Maureen Morrow United States 12497 Mar 6, 2013

Samantha Sacks Red Hook, NY 12504 Mar 6, 2013

Jodi Adams-hill Kingston, NY 12401 Mar 6, 2013

Frank Mazzarone Gardiner, NY 12525 Mar 6, 2013

Micheal Gonzales Rosendale, NY 12472 Mar 6, 2013

Stop the Fortis takeover of CH!!!

Brian Farmer Rosendale, NY 12472 Mar 6, 2013

John Schwartz Rosendale, NY 12472 Mar 6, 2013

Evan

Monmouth, OR 97361 Mar 6, 2013

Judith Pernot Rosendale, NY 12472 Mar 6, 2013

Nancy Van Laan Tillson, NY 12486 Mar 6, 2013 Sophia Zega Annandale-On-Hudson, NY 12504-5000 Mar 6, 2013

leslie wiltshire Tillson, NY 12486 Mar 6, 2013

Joe Bridges New Paltz, NY 12561 Mar 6, 2013

Larry Brown West Shokan, NY 12494 Mar 6, 2013

Laurie Giardino Accord, NY 12404 Mar 6, 2013

I am opposed to the Canadian comonay Fortis, Inc. taking over CH Energy Group.

Virginia Ferri High Falls, NY 12440 Mar 6, 2013

One of the reasons that life in the Hudson Valley is so attractive to many people is that services are local and companies responsive to local communities and concerns. I find this pending takeover extremely alarming and urge that it be stopped. Thank you, Dr. Elana Michelson

Elana Michelson Rosendale, NY 12472 Mar 6, 2013

Amy Poux Rosendale, NY 12472 Mar 6, 2013

Accountability depends on accessibility, and putting ownership into the hands of a corporation based in another country successfully thwarts this necessity. The emasculation of the individual by corporate entities fixated on profit before commensurate service to its clientele is already criminal. Hence, it has got to be stopped.

Donald Sagar Rosendale, NY 12472 Mar 6, 2013 We need to invest in energy systems that are non-polluting and renewable! We must take action to curb greenhouse gases while there is still a possibility to turn back the damage of climate change!

Deborah Weltsch Tillson, NY 12486 Mar 6, 2013

Our electric power will never be the same when a mulit. national corp.buys out CH Energy Group. Jobs will be gone and rates will rise

steohen fabrico bloomington, NY 12411 Mar 6, 2013

Central Hudson gas & electric currently has great service- we don't want to lose that because the jobs get outsourced after the takeover.

Alexander Ferguson Tillson, NY 12486 Mar 6, 2013

DON'T DO IT!

Brian Macaluso Rosendale, NY 12472 Mar 6, 2013

Ann Ganter Stone Ridge, NY 12484 Mar 6, 2013

Colette Ruoff ROSENDALE, NY 12472 Mar 6, 2013

Elizabeth tuel Rosendale, NY 12472 Mar 6, 2013

Pal McGinniss Nyc, NY 10013 Mar 6, 2013

Jessica Barry Rosendale, NY 12472 Mar 6, 2013 Tobe Carey Glenford, NY 12433 Mar 6, 2013

Jo Schaffel Tillson, NY 12486 Mar 6, 2013

Paul Bermanzohn Rosendale, NY 12472-9652 Mar 6, 2013

Kelleigh McKenzie Rosendale, NY 12472 Mar 6, 2013

Please stand by the little people and not the corporations.

Sara GAst Bloomington, NY 12411 Mar 6, 2013

Please reject the takeover of CH energy group. Support your local interests and help us maintain a sustainable commerce

natasha williams cottekill, NY 12419 Mar 6, 2013

We must keep our electric and gas supplier from a USA company.

Walter Pfleger Kingston, NY 12401-6916 Mar 6, 2013

David fruchter Glenford, NY 12433 Mar 6, 2013

Colyer Durovich Annandale-on-Hudson, NY 12504 Mar 6, 2013

paul mcmahon bearsville, NY 12409 Mar 6, 2013

Charles DeFraia High Falls, NY 12440 Mar 6, 2013 Jane Sunshine United States 12498-3104 Mar 6, 2013 Laura Moriarty Kingston, NY 12401 Mar 5, 2013 HARELA paglia Wiccopee, NY 12533 Mar 5, 2013 Mary Neilson North Charleston, SC 29428 Mar 5, 2013 Eban Goodstein Tivoli, NY 12583 Mar 5, 2013 Lisa Hart Shokan, NY 12481 Mar 5, 2013 Shams Mirza East Cambridge, MA 02141 Mar 5, 2013 Robyn Smyth Red Hook, NY 12571 Mar 5, 2013 Timothy L. Judson Brooklyn, NY 11218 Mar 5, 2013 nancy purdum Accord, NY 12404 Mar 5, 2013 Penelope Weber Red Hook, NY 12571

Mar 5, 2013

Sadee B St Remy, NY 12401 Mar 5, 2013

KT Tobin New Paltz, NY 12561 Mar 5, 2013

Molly Williams Rhinebeck, NY 12572 Mar 5, 2013

jamie new paltz, NY 12561 Mar 5, 2013

Definitely reject the takeover.

chris collins Bearsville, NY 12409 Mar 5, 2013

Nancy Graham Kingston, NY 12401 Mar 5, 2013

Unconscionable !!

jeanette gould Peekskill, NY 10566 Mar 5, 2013

Stuart Greenfield The Vly, NY 12484 Mar 5, 2013

I urge rejection of this proposed takeover!

Barbara Hardgrave New Paltz, NY 12561 Mar 4, 2013

Steve Anders St Remy, NY 12401 Mar 4, 2013

Barbara Schatz Red Hook, NY 12571 Mar 4, 2013

I believe it is in our best interest to stop the sale of Central Hudson to Fortis, Inc.

Walter Pfleger Kingston, NY 124 Mar 4, 2013	401		
Michael Weatherl Wallkill, NY 1258 Mar 4, 2013	-		
Maria Youle Rhinebeck, NY 12 Mar 3, 2013	2572		

I am a Central Hudson customer and I do not want this Canadian company to take over Central Hudson, my electricity and gas distributor. Fortis has terrible environmental policies and has destroyed irreplaceable natural habitats in such places as Belize. In addition, our power grid is in dire need of improvement. This takeover will do nothing to insure that the necessary upgrades will be accomplished putting our supply of energy at risk. I appeal to the NYS Public Service Commission to reject this disastrous takeover of Central Hudson by Fortis.

Amanda Means Beacon, NY 12508 Mar 3, 2013
THOMAS KURIGER Rhinebeck, NY 12572 Mar 3, 2013
Jennifer Metzger Rosendale, NY 12472 Mar 2, 2013
Dawn Deevy Stone Ridge, NY 12484 Mar 2, 2013
Julie Wallkill, NY 12589 Mar 2, 2013
AM Amodeo Glenford, NY 12433 Mar 2, 2013
Kimberly Bail West Saugerties, NY 12477

Hope Corenzwit Tillson, NY 12486 Mar 2, 2013 Susan moran Woodstock, NY 12498 Mar 2, 2013 Misha Fredericks New Paltz, NY 12561 Mar 2, 2013 debra lavaggi bearsville, NY 12409 Mar 1, 2013 Manna Jo Greene Cottekill, NY 12419 Mar 1, 2013 Eleanor Z. Friery Red Hook, NY 12571 Mar 1, 2013 Don't do it! Edward Lazansky Woodstock, NY 12498 Mar 1, 2013 Joyce Hartsfield Tillson, NY 12486 Mar 1, 2013 Emmy Josephs Hopewell Jct., NY 12533 Mar 1, 2013 Lorelei Shavelle Red Hook, NY 12571 Mar 1, 2013 Let's keep the money and jobs in NY, please.

Melissa McNeese Red Hook, NY 12571 Mar 1, 2013

geraldine brodsky rhinebek, NY 12572 Mar 1, 2013 Irene DeMier Red Hook, NY 12571 Mar 1, 2013 Doris Kelly Hyde Park, NY 12538 Mar 1, 2013 **Eleanor Prior** Germantown, NY 12526 Mar 1, 2013 brad berg Highland, NY 12528 Mar 1, 2013 Elise Lark

Olivebridge, NY 12461 Feb 28, 2013

I am opposed to this takeover. Fortis has an less than stellar environmental record and the Hudson Valley deserves better. Put the residents and customers of Central Hudson first!

Mary Red Hook, NY 12571 Feb 28, 2013

Donna Matthews Tivoli, NY 12583 Feb 28, 2013

Mark Vian Palenville, NY 12463 Feb 28, 2013

Paul Henderson Bearsville, NY 12409 Feb 28, 2013

Carol Cramer Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 28, 2013 Lucy Kuriger Rhinebeck, NY 12572 Feb 28, 2013

Joy Labudzinski Poughkeepsie, NY 12603 Feb 28, 2013

Denise morett Red Hook, NY 12571 Feb 28, 2013

Let's try to keep something in the U.S.

Louis S. Holtman Poughkeepsie, NY 12601 Feb 28, 2013

Our NYS power Grid must be protected previous to signing the dotted line with Fortis and Central Hudson. If pushed forward without responsibilities it could create a nightmare if not handled properly. Rushing and Cash seems to reign over everything else. Many families will be impacted if the process is not handled properly. I call on the NYS Public Service Commission to reject the above or insist on new delivery systems that are good for ALL! Not just the stockholder's and companies!! It must be a win win for all.

Nancy Kavaky Red Hook, NY 12571 Feb 28, 2013

Jonathan Ridgeway Clintondale, NY 12515 Feb 28, 2013

Patricia Matteson High Falls, NY 12440 Feb 28, 2013

We want a recommended decision!

Sarah Imboden Red Hook, NY 12571 Feb 28, 2013

Sarah E James Tivoli, NY 12583 Feb 28, 2013

Cindy Kubik Red Hook, NY 12571 There is less than zero benefit for ratepayers or for NY State in this deal. Please disallow it.

Arlene London Red Hook, NY 12571 Feb 28, 2013

Why is a foreign holding company trying to take over a US utility? this makes no sense to me!!

Barbara Valocore Olivebridge, NY 12461 Feb 28, 2013
merle meola Ulster Park, NY 12487 Feb 28, 2013
joy mcmanigal red hook, NY 12571 Feb 28, 2013
Elizabeth J Whalen Red Hook, NY 12571 Feb 28, 2013
John Kick Amherst, MA 01002 Feb 28, 2013
Vicky Perry Red Hook, NY 12571 Feb 28, 2013
Christopher Klose Red Hook, NY 12571 Feb 28, 2013
Richard Tynan Philadelphia, PA 19120 Feb 28, 2013
Barbara Dibeler Stone Ridge, NY 12484 Feb 28, 2013
Phoebe Prentice Red Hook, NY 12571 Feb 28, 2013

We need more local control not less. We need thoughtful, reasonable business practices that are not gouging, especially in things that affect the environment. What a travesty that a few people are getting rich at the expense of the entire planet. It's a travesty.

Paul Marienthal Red Hook, NY 12571 Feb 28, 2013
Michaela Strawinski Rhinebeck, NY 12572 Feb 28, 2013
kevin Kraft Shady, NY 12409 Feb 28, 2013
Pamela A. Parker Tillson, NY 12486 Feb 28, 2013
Cynthia Sullivan NY, NY 10004 Feb 27, 2013
Stephen Webber New York, NY 10003 Feb 27, 2013
Linda Leeds Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 27, 2013
ARTHUR R RICHTER Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 27, 2013
Rachel Lagodka New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 27, 2013
Alice Santiamagro Gardiner, NY 12525 Feb 27, 2013
kaete shaw High Falls, NY 12440 Feb 27, 2013

Matt Corsaro Highland, NY 12528 Feb 27, 2013

Victoria Danskin New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 27, 2013

Charles Gray Webster Crsng, NY 14560 Feb 27, 2013

Amy and Jim Delaune New Windsor, NY 12553 Feb 27, 2013

Lynne Ridgeway Clintondale, NY 12515 Feb 27, 2013

George Johnson Cobleskill, NY 12043 Feb 27, 2013

Jean Dorman Margaretville, NY 12455-2713 Feb 27, 2013

Sandra Kaplan New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 27, 2013

Don't let this utility own us!!!

Barbara Rosen West Hurley, NY 12491 Feb 27, 2013

Karen Dunn Shakkour New York, NY 10007 Feb 27, 2013

Tna Fsher Schenectady, NY 12306 Feb 27, 2013

John Bernhardt Highland, NY 12528

Please protect our community. Thank you.

Margot Molnar Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 27, 2013

Kathleen Foley Ulster Park, NY 12487 Feb 27, 2013

Rochelle Rosendale, NY 12472 Feb 27, 2013

Stephen Johnson Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 27, 2013

Terri L. Moore New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 27, 2013

Keep American Utility OWNERSHIP in America !

Billy B Liggan Rosendale, NY 12472-0485 Feb 27, 2013

Anne Outwater St Remy, NY 12401 Feb 27, 2013

I sstrongly urge the NYS Public Service comission to NOT ALLOW the Fortis energy company to take over the ownership of our wonderful Central Hudson utility that has been responsive to our needs, continues to use more susstainable energy sources, and protects us from the severe storms that will continue.

Ann Guenther New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 27, 2013

Sherry Runk Cottekill, NY 12419 Feb 27, 2013

Yvonne Allenson New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 27, 2013

Robert Hare Ulster Park, NY 12487 Feb 27, 2013 Annell Presbie New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 27, 2013 Robin S Evans Tillson, NY 12486 Feb 27, 2013 susan webber New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 27, 2013 Friedrike Merck Bearsville, NY 12409 Feb 27, 2013 Maha Katnani Poughkeepsie, NY 12603 Feb 27, 2013 Raymond D. Smith, Jr. New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 27, 2013 Donna Seymour Kingston, NY 12401 Feb 27, 2013 marjorie Block saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 27, 2013 Sandra Smith Saugerties, NY 12477 Feb 27, 2013 David Kane Tivoli, NY 12583 Feb 27, 2013

We don't want Fortis to takeover as our people will lose jobs. Please reject this takeover.

Margie Robinson Poughkeepsie, NY 12601 Feb 27, 2013

Ruth Elwell Philipstown, NY 10516 Feb 27, 2013

mira Bowin Highland, NY 12528 Feb 27, 2013

Let's not do further damage! We already know local is better - DON'T give in to pressure from lobbyists or corporate influence. Stop the Canadian takeover of our local utility!

Carol Giangreco Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 27, 2013

Nancy D'Elia New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 27, 2013

Dee Variano New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 27, 2013

Stop the takeover, please.

Dennis Moore New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 27, 2013

Jean Druffner Phoenicia, NY 12464 Feb 27, 2013

Carroll E. Arkema Pompton Lakes, NJ 07442 Feb 27, 2013

Barbara sides New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 27, 2013

Sophie Shuai Highland, NY 12528 Feb 27, 2013

Anne Smith Gardiner, NY 12525 Feb 27, 2013

Marlena Lange MIDDLETOWN, NY 10940 Feb 27, 2013

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Sam Magarelli Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 27, 2013

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Jeanine Glendening Campbell Hall, NY 10916 Feb 26, 2013

Jim Delaune Highland, NY 12528 Feb 26, 2013

Local companies and responsive to local communities; large multinationals are only after our money. Don't let them have it!

Lynn Bowdery New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 26, 2013

Allan Bowdery New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 26, 2013

Fortis, Inc. should be required to make investments in alternative energy sources to meet the New York State green energy target of 20 % of electric production. NOTHING offered on this by Fortis, Inc. Jim Ottaway Jr.

James H. Ottaway Jr New Paltz, NY 12561 Feb 26, 2013 abby bressack Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 26, 2013

Elizabeth Reichheld Lake Hill, NY 12448 Feb 26, 2013

no out of country ownership of OUR utilities!! this is our country and our towns and you should be employing our people

Rose Pfleger Pleasant Vly, NY 12569 Feb 26, 2013

Keep our Utilities in the hands of those who use them.

Kirk Ritchey Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 26, 2013

Gena Wilson Woodstock, NY 12498 Feb 26, 2013

I am opposed to the takeover of CH Energy Group by Canadian holding company Fortis, Inc. (Case 12-M-0192). A takeover will jeopardize 375,000 customers' well-being, endanger local jobs, and prevent improvements to the power grid needed to protect New Yorkers from the effects of severe storms and fight climate change.

frauke rotwein Montgomery, NY 12549 Feb 26, 2013

Alicia Tyree Olivebridge, NY 12461 Feb 26, 2013

Mary Ann zimmerman Washingtonville ny, NY 10992 Feb 26, 2013

Margarita Meyendorff rosendale, NY 12472 Feb 26, 2013

Carol Seitz Phoenicia, NY 12464

Nathaniel Gillespie Washington, DC 20011 Feb 26, 2013 judy sigunick Cragsmoor, NY 12420 Feb 26, 2013 susan ross stone ridge, NY 12484 Feb 26, 2013 Marie-Christine Hellin Whitfield, NY 12404 Feb 25, 2013 Verne M. Bell Newburgh,, NY 12550 Feb 25, 2013 Joyce Timpanelli Shady, NY 12409 Feb 25, 2013

We have already seen the economic devastation created by off-shoring jobs. We simply cannot allow more of our jobs to be sold to the highest bidder where only the executive officers gain long term benefits, while everyone else suffers.

Todd Pleger Pleasant Valley, NY 12569 Feb 25, 2013

If Fortis grabs us, we have no voice and we have no leverage.

SAndra Kissam Newburgh, NY 12550 Feb 25, 2013

Clara Ferraro Phoenicia, NY 12464 Feb 25, 2013

Keep ownership local to insure local jobs.

Carole Thompson Rosendale, NY 12472 Feb 25, 2013 Nancy Gillespie Tannersville, NY 12485 Feb 25, 2013

As a homeowner in the Woodland Valley, I feel it's urgent that our energy company remain local.

Jennifer Kapczynski Phoenicia, NY 12464 Feb 25, 2013

Fortis has a reputation of unconscionable ecological destruction and outrageous rate hikes in Belize. As a Canadian company they would not be subject to NY state regulations. As a CH customer, I am against this Canadian takeover of out local utility.

Amy Trompetter Rosendale, NY 12472 Feb 25, 2013

Please do not allow this to happen. Financial gain foe a few should not supercede the lives and well being of thousands.

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Ellie Gillespie Madison, CT 06443 Feb 25, 2013

Susan H. Gillespie Rosendale, NY 12472 Feb 25, 2013

Dawn Meola Rosendale, NY 12472 Feb 25, 2013