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Honorable Audrey Zibelman, Chair  
New York State Public Service Commission  
Agency Building 3, Empire State Plaza  
Albany, New York 12223-1350

CASE 14-M-0196 - Tariff filing by Central Hudson Gas & Electric Corporation to establish fees for residential customers who choose to opt out of using Automated Meter Reading devices.

Dear Chair: Zibelman;

This letter is a request asking the Public Service Commission to render its decision in the matter of Case 14-M-0196 at its next meeting. The proceeding has been completed, all the interested parties have submitted comments and opinions, and we are now waiting for a ruling from the Commission.

The proceeding began with an announcement in the New York State Register of March 23, 2016/Vol. XXXVIII, Issue 12 stating that the PSC will take comments on the proposal, "Option to Opt Out of Using an AMR Device, and Substitute an Electro-Mechanical Meter, at no Additional Charge."

The period available to submit comments ended on June 23, 2016. During that time, Stephen Romine representing StopSmartMeters, Woodstock; Michele Hertz representing StopSmartMeters, New York; and Kenneth S. Panza representing Jane Valand submitted comments in support of analog meters. Consolidated Edison of New York and Orange and Rockland Utilities submitted a joint letter in response to the notice. The other utilities, identified as the Joint Utilities, submitted comments in opposition to the petition.

The period to reply ended on July 29, 2016, and all the petitioners and the utilities submitted replies. As of July 29, 2016, the public comment phase of the proceeding should be considered closed. What remains is for the Commission to render its decision.

If possible, a prompt resolution of this proceeding would be appreciated by all the involved parties.

Sincerely yours,



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CC:

Assemblyman Kevin Cahill  
NY State Senator George Amedore