# Monthly Report on Consumer Complaint Activity



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#### Dear Readers:

The Office of Consumer Services closely monitors the number and types of complaints received against all utilities operating in New York State. We strive to ensure that utilities fulfill their obligation to provide effective customer service in compliance with the laws, rules, regulations and policies we enforce.

Each month, this report provides an overview of complaint activity and utility responsiveness during the preceding month which is informative to both consumers and utility companies. Specific details regarding the way we measure the companies' activities are described in the section How Utility Complaint Data Is Reported.

The table titled Complaint Activity of New York's Major Utilities reports on the volume of complaints received against the largest utilities in each industry while the table titled Customer Service Response Index reports on the level of customer service and responsiveness delivered by each service provider under the Commission's jurisdiction.

The chart, Credit Adjustments Received for Consumers, reflects the amount of refunds or credits customers received as a result of our investigations. The Office of Consumer Services also monitors complaints against the competitive energy service companies (ESCO's) operating in New York. These complaints are reported in two tables; Number of Initial Complaints Received Against ESCO's and Number of Escalated Complaints Received Against ESCO's.

I hope this report is helpful in providing you with a summary of utility complaint activity. If you have any questions, please e-mail Barry\_Bedrosian@dps.state.ny.us.

Sincerely,

Sandra S. Sloane

Director

Office of Consumer Services



## If You Have a Complaint About Your Utility Service

If you're having difficulty resolving a dispute with your regulated energy, telephone, cable television or water company, the Public Service Commission staff is available to assist you.

The Office of Consumer Services takes all utility consumer complaints seriously. You can contact us toll-free by telephone, in writing or via the Internet. When you contact our office with a complaint about a utility or other service provider, we take immediate steps to address your concerns.

After we complete entering the details of your complaint we send your complaint to the utility by e-mail or fax. In an effort to ensure that utilities fulfill their obligation to provide effective customer service, we will first ask your utility to contact you and resolve your concern. If your complaint is related to the provision of service, your utility should contact you within two business hours. If your complaint is related to billing or another matter, the utility should contact you by the close of the following business day.

If the utility does not contact you with its initial acknowledgement, does not provide its response to you within two weeks or the matter remains unresolved after you have received a response, you can contact us. We will then further investigate the matter and notify you in writing or by telephone of the decision and the reasons for the decision.

If you believe the initial decision is wrong, you can request an informal hearing. This request may be in writing and made within 15 days of the initial decision. You may be asked to submit certain documents to support your position. If you and the utility are unable to settle the complaint, the hearing officer will make a decision on your complaint and notify you in writing of the decision.

If you believe that the informal hearing officer's decision was wrong, you can appeal it within 15 days of the decision to the Public Service Commission. Your appeal must be in writing and must contend that there was an error made by the hearing officer that affected the decision or that evidence not previously available would affect the decision. The Commission will make a decision on the appeal and notify you in writing of their decision.

If you have a complaint about your utility service you may contact us thru one of the following avenues:

**By Telephone** Monday thru Friday 800-342-3377

8:30am - 4:00pm

Via the Internet 24 hours a day <u>www.dps.state.ny.us</u>

Click the Consumer Assistance Link

In Writing Please be sure to include as NYS Public Service Commission much detail as possible, including Office of Consumer Services

much detail as possible, including your account number, service address, telephone number and the specifics of your complaint.

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### How Utility Complaint Data is Reported

The Office of Consumer Services reports complaint data by volume and by responsiveness. A complaint rate is used to compare small utilities to large utilities. A response index is used to measure how well utilities address consumer complaints we forwarded to them.

The Office of Consumer Services closely monitors the number and types of complaints received against all utilities operating in New York State. We expect utility companies to be highly responsive to their customers' needs, especially when the customer feels that it is necessary to seek the assistance of the Public Service Commission staff. Each month, this report provides an overview of complaint activity and utility responsiveness which we believe is informative to both consumers and utility companies.

The table titled **Complaint Activity of New York's Major Utilities** reports on the volume of complaints received against the largest utilities in each industry. These utility companies vary in size from just over 10,000 customers to several million customers. Therefore, in order to compare complaint volumes among companies, a complaint rate per 100,000 customers is displayed. This allows the reader to compare the complaints of a large company to that of a small company.

There are two measures of complaints which are reported each month. At first all complaints are recorded and forwarded to the utility for resolution directly with the customer. These are noted as <u>initial complaints</u> (QRS) in the table titled **Complaint Activity of New York's Major Utilities**. If the customer informs us that the utility failed to satisfy their complaint the matter is escalated for further handling and investigation by staff and is noted as <u>escalated complaints</u> (SRS). Both numbers are converted into a complaint rate which allows the reader to compare performance regardless of the size of a company's customer base. The <u>escalation rate</u> is a measure of how successful a utility is in satisfying their customer upon receipt of an initial complaint made through the Office of Consumer Services. The <u>12 month complaint rate</u> is often used as one of several customer service measures that may be taken into consideration when staff monitors the quality of customer service delivered by an individual utility. This rate represents the average number of escalated complaints received per month per 100,000 customer accounts.

The table titled **Customer Service Response Index** (CSRI) reports on the level of customer service and responsiveness delivered by each service provider under the Commission's jurisdiction. The Customer Service Response Index is determined by measuring four metrics. Complete CSRI data is posted on the first page of the report for those service providers that average ten or more initial complaints per month. For all other service providers, the performance in each area is reported on subsequent pages of the table, less the actual index measures because the index measures for companies with fewer than ten initial complaints have been found to show significant fluctuations on a month to month basis. These fluctuations may result in the reader reaching an inaccurate conclusion as to a service provider's performance. If a company is not listed in a particular monthly report it is because there was no activity for the company in the reporting month.

The **Index** is determined by measuring four metrics:

<u>The Consumer Satisfaction Metric (CSM)</u> is a ratio of the number of <u>initial complaints</u> to the number of <u>escalated complaints</u> in the reporting month. A score of 5 points are awarded when a service provider receives no initial complaints during the reporting month. There is no score awarded if a service provider satisfies less than 50% of the customers that the PSC refers to them.

<u>The Complaint Response Time Metric (CRM)</u> is the average number of days it took the service provider to respond to <u>initial complaints</u> closed in the reporting month. A score of 2 points is awarded when a provider's average response time for <u>initial complaints</u> is 14 days or less. No points are earned if the average response time for <u>initial complaints</u> is more than 28 days (twice the acceptable reply standard).

<u>The Escalated Complaint Response Time Metric (ERM)</u> is the average number of days it took the service provider to respond to <u>escalated complaints</u> closed in the reporting month. A score of 2 points is awarded when a service provider's average response time for <u>escalated complaints</u> is 10 days or less. No points are earned if the average response time for <u>escalated complaints</u> is more than 25 days (two weeks past due).

<u>The Pending Case Metric (PCM)</u> is the average age of all cases awaiting response, determined on the last day of the reporting month. A score of 1 point is awarded when a service providers' average age of all cases is 14 days or less. No points are earned if the average age of all cases exceeds 70 days (two months delinquent). A negative score is applied if the average age of all cases is over 70 days.

#### COMPLAINT ACTIVITY OF NEW YORK'S MAJOR UTILITIES

#### **April 2008**

Utility Companies	Initial Co	-	Escalated C	-	Escalation	12 Month Escalated
othity companies	No.	Rate*	No.	Rate*	Rate	Complaint Rate
Central Hudson	24	8.1	2	0.7	8%	0.5
Con Edison	399	10.6	92	2.5	23%	2.0
KeySpan of Long Island	25	4.7	2	0.4	8%	0.5
NYSEG	127	13.3	5	0.5	4%	0.5
National Grid	165	9.7	12	0.7	7%	0.8
Orange & Rockland	33	15.0	0	0.0	0%	0.7
RG & E	87	22.0	3	0.8	3%	1.1
KeySpan of New York	151	12.8	8	0.7	5%	1.1
National Fuel Gas	76	14.8	1	0.2	1%	0.7
AT&T of New York	61		10		16%	
Citizens Telecommunications of NY	10	3.7	0	0.0	0%	0.6
Frontier Communications of NY	2	3.0	0	0.0	0%	0.9
Frontier Telephone of Rochester	22	5.3	3	0.7	14%	0.8
Optimum Voice	5		1		20%	
Time Warner Res-Com	10		0		0%	
Windstream Communications	2	2.7	1	1.3	50%	0.7
Verizon	317	4.1	36	0.5	11%	0.5
Cablevision Systems	26		4		15%	
Time-Warner Cable	77		5		6%	
Aquarion Water Co. of New York	0	0.0	0	0.0	#DIV/0!	0.0
Long Island Water	3	4.1	1	1.4	33%	1.4
Aqua NY fka New York Water	4	9.0	1	2.3	25%	1.7
United Water - New Rochelle	3	9.6	2	6.4	67%	3.2
United Water - New York	5	7.1	2	2.8	40%	2.7

All complaint rates are initially based on Dec. 2007 customer populations. Updates occur in April.

This table reports on the volume of complaints received against the largest utilities in each industry.

**Initial Complaints (QRS)** - This is the number (No.) of complaints we receive and forward to the utility company for resolution directly with the customer and the corresponding complaint rate (Rate) per 100,000 customer accounts.

**Escalated Complaints (SRS)** - This is the number (No.) of complaints that we escalated for further handling and investigation because the customer informed us that the utility failed to satisfy their initial complaint after we forwarded the initial complaint to the utility. The corresponding escalated complaint rate (Rate) per 100,000 customer accounts allows the reader to compare one utility to another regardless of the number of customer accounts.

**Escalation Rate -** This is a measure of how successful a utility is in satisfying their customer upon receipt of an initial complaint made through the Office of Consumer Services. The lower the rate the more successful the utility was in resolving initial complaints directly with the customer.

**12 Month Escalated Complaint Rate -** This rate represents the average number of escalated complaints received per month per 100,000 customer accounts. This is often used as one of several customer service measures that may be taken into consideration when staff monitors the quality of customer service delivered by an individual utility.

<sup>\* -</sup> Complaints per 100,000 customer accounts where populations are reported by the utility

Service Provider	Initial Complaints	Escalated Complaints	CSM Index	Complaint Response Time	CRM Index	E. Complaint Response Time	ERM Index	Avg. Age of Cases Pending	PCM Index	CSRI
Orange & Rockland	33	0	5.0	5.2	2.0	4.3	2.0	13.9	1.0	10.0
Time Warner ResCom of New York,LLC	10	0	5.0	2.0	2.0	0.0	2.0	9.8	1.0	10.0
National Fuel Gas Distribution	76	1	4.9	6.6	2.0	0.0	2.0	6.5	1.0	9.9
KeySpan of New York	151	8	4.5	4.1	2.0	12.0	1.9	7.4	1.0	9.4
Citizens Communications (ILEC)	10	0	5.0	17.3	1.6	13.0	1.8	7.3	1.0	9.4
MCI	14	1	4.3	8.6	2.0	3.6	2.0	3.0	1.0	9.3
National Grid, Inc	165	12	4.3	8.2	2.0	4.7	2.0	15.0	0.9	9.2
Central Hudson Gas & Electric Corp.	24	2	4.2	4.8	2.0	2.4	2.0	5.0	1.0	9.2
Rochester Gas & Electric Corp.	87	3	4.7	4.5	2.0	17.0	1.4	4.2	1.0	9.1
KeySpan of Long Island	25	2	4.2	5.4	2.0	10.2	1.9	4.6	1.0	9.1
U.S. Energy Savings Corp	39	3	4.2	10.1	2.0	10.9	1.9	17.9	0.9	9.0
Verizon Communications (LEC)	317	36	3.9	7.2	2.0	7.9	2.0	10.4	1.0	8.9
New York State Electric & Gas Corp.	127	5	4.6	8.9	2.0	18.9	1.2	5.1	1.0	8.8
Cablevision of Long Island	12	2	3.3	7.3	2.0	5.5	2.0	7.7	1.0	8.3
Frontier Telephone of Rochester, Inc.	22	3	3.6	17.7	1.6	7.5	2.0	8.3	1.0	8.2
Columbia Utilities Power, Llc (electric)	22	5	2.7	3.2	2.0	0.0	2.0	1.0	1.0	7.7
Spark Energy, L.P.	19	4	2.9	7.4	2.0	7.4	2.0	25.5	0.7	7.6
Time Warner - New York City Division	58	3	4.5	12.6	2.0	35.0	0.0	13.8	1.0	7.5
AT&T (C)	61	10	3.4	5.8	2.0	24.6	0.2	4.7	1.0	6.6
Cordia Communications Corp	10	3	2.0	22.8	1.1	0.0	2.0	5.3	1.0	6.1
Con Edison of New York	399	92	2.7	12.2	2.0	26.5	0.0	23.4	8.0	5.5
Hudson Energy Services, LLC	18	10	0.0	13.7	2.0	8.0	2.0	26.5	0.7	4.7

This table reports on the current level of customer service and responsiveness delivered by each service provider under the Commission's jurisdiction. The Customer Service Response Index is determined by measuring four metrics. Complete CSRI data is posted on the first page of the report for those service providers that average ten or more initial complaints per month. For all other service providers, the performance in each area is reported on subsequent pages of the table, less the actual index measures because the index measures for companies with fewer than ten initial complaints have been found to show significant fluctuations on a month to month basis. These fluctuations may result in the reader reaching an inaccurate conclusion as to a service provider's performance. If a company is not listed on this report it is because there was no activity for the company in the reporting month. Below is an explanation of the data in each column.

Initial Complaints - This is the number of initial complaints we receive and forward to the utility company for resolution directly with the customer.

**Escalated Complaints -** This is the number of complaints that we escalated for further handling and investigation because the customer informed us that the utility failed to satisfy their initial complaint after we forwarded the initial complaint to the utility.

**CSM Index -** The Consumer Satisfaction Index scores the ratio of the number of initial complaints to the number of escalated complaints in the reporting month. A score of 5 points are awarded when a service provider receives no escalated complaints during the reporting month. There is no score awarded if a service provider satisfies less than 50% of the customers that the PSC refers to them.

Complaint Response Time - This is the average number of days it took for a utility to respond to initial complaints in the reporting month.

**CRM Index -** The Complaint Response Time Index scores the service providers responsiveness to initial complaints closed in the reporting month. A score of 2 points is awarded when a provider's average response time for initial complaints is 14 days or less. No points are earned if the average response time for initial complaints is more than 28 days (twice the acceptable reply standard).

E. Complaint Response Time - This is the average number of days it took for a utility to respond to escalated complaints in the reporting month.

**ERM Index -** The Escalated Complaint Response Time Index scores the service providers responsiveness to escalated complaints closed in the reporting month. A score of 2 points is awarded when a provider's average response time for escalated complaints is 10 days or less. No points are earned if the average response time for escalated complaints is more than 25 days (two weeks past due).

Avg. Age of Cases Pending - This is the average age of all the cases awaiting a response from the service provider.

**PCM Index** - The Pending Case Index scores the average age of all cases awaiting response by the service provider. A score of 1 point is awarded when a service providers' average age of all cases is 14 days or less. No points are earned if the average age of all cases exceeds 70 days (two months delinquent). A negative score is applied if the average age of all cases is over 70 days.

CSRI - The Customer Service Response Index is the overall score received by the service provider. It is the sum of the four indices.

	Initial Complaints	Escalated	CSM Index	Complaint Response	CRM Index	E. Complaint	ERM Index	Avg. Age of Cases	PCM Index	CSRI
Service Provider	Complaints	Complaints	maex	Time	maex	Response Time	maex	Pending	maex	
Accent Energy Midwest, LLC	8 0	5 0		18.3		6.9 0.0		36.9 37.0		
ACN Communication Services, Inc. Agway Energy Services, LLC.	1	0		0.0 0.0		0.0		37.0 8.0		
Airespring, Inc.	0	0		0.0		0.0		113.0		
Alphaphone Inc.	2	1		4.0		0.0		14.0		
Ambit Energy	4	0		7.0		0.0		2.0		
American Metering & Planning Services	0	0		0.0		0.2		0.0		
American Pay Phone, Inc. Ameristar Energy, LLC	0 1	0 0		0.0 3.0		0.0 0.0		36.0 0.0		
Aqua Ny	4	1		8.0		0.0		28.1		
Aquarion Water Company of New York	0	0		0.0		0.0		0.0		
Automatic Meter Reading, Inc	0	0		0.0		0.0		50.0		
BAS Communications	1	0		1.0		0.0		55.0		
Berkshire Telephone Corp.	1 0	0 0		5.0 0.0		0.0 0.0		0.0 76.0		
Birch Hill Water Supply Corporation BluCo Energy, LLC	0	0		55.0		0.0		0.0		
Broadview Networks	7	5		16.4		10.3		12.8		
Business Network Long Distance, Inc.	0	0		0.0		0.0		29.0		
Cablevision - MediaOne - Rockland	1	0		9.0		0.0		0.0		
Cablevision - MediaOne - Westchester	1	0		17.0		0.0		0.0		
Cablevision of Hauppauge Cablevision of New York City	1 8	0 1		8.5 19.6		0.0 16.4		0.0 16.2		
Cablevision of Riverhead	0	1		28.0		9.1		0.0		
Cablevision of Rockland	0	0		14.0		0.0		0.0		
Cablevision of Westchester	2	0		4.0		0.0		0.0		
Cablevision of Yorktown	1	0		11.0		0.0		0.0		
Chaffe Water Works Company	0	0		0.0		0.0		211.0		
Choice One Communications of New Yc City of Jamestown Board of Public Utiliti	1 5	0 1		1.0 11.4		0.0 4.9		0.0 3.0		
Cleartel Communications, Inc.	2	Ö		20.7		0.0		0.0		
Columbia Utilities Power, Llc (gas)	5	3		8.3		0.0		0.0		
Comcast Cable of New York - CATV	1	0		0.0		0.0		1.0		
Comcast Cable Of New York - Lec	0	0		50.0		0.0		0.0		
Communications Network Billing, Inc. Consumer Telcom, Inc.	1 1	0 0		15.0 0.0		0.0 0.0		0.0 2.0		
Corbin Hill Water Corp.	0	0		26.0		0.0		0.0		
CornerStone Telephone Company, LLC	4	Ö		8.3		0.0		3.0		
Corning Natural Gas Corp.	1	0		1.0		0.0		0.0		
Covad Communications Company	1	0		4.0		0.0		0.0		
Covista Communications, Inc.	1	0		0.0		0.0		0.0		
CTC Communications Corp.  Deposit Telephone	4 0	0		23.4 0.0		0.0 0.0		18.0 0.0		
DFT Local Service Corporation d/b/a DF	0	0		24.0		0.0		0.0		
Direct Energy Services LLC	3	0		2.0		0.0		3.0		
Discount Telecom, Inc.	0	0		65.0		0.0		0.0		
DPI-Teleconnect, Inc.	0	0		0.0		55.8		0.0		
Dutchess Estates Energetix, Inc.	0 0	0 0		0.0 17.0		0.0 0.0		62.0 0.0		
Energy Plus Holdings LLC	1	0		18.0		0.0		0.0		
Energy Service Providers, Inc.	1	1		14.5		0.0		0.0		
Evercom Systems, Inc.	1	0		12.0		0.0		0.0		
Excel Telecommunications	1	1		4.0		4.8		0.0		
FFC Energy First Communications, LLC	0	0		0.0		0.0		34.0		
Friedlander Water Supply	1 0	0 0		7.0 0.0		0.0 0.0		0.0 157.0		
Frontier Communications of NY/fka High	2	0		19.1		25.9		7.0		
Frontier Communications of Rochester,	1	0		0.0		0.0		10.0		
Gateway Energy Services Corp.	3	12		42.8		8.7		0.0		
Global Tel*Link Corporation	0	0		24.0		0.0		92.5		
Great Eastern Energy Great Expectations LLC	2 1	0 0		3.0 14.0		0.0 0.0		0.0 0.0		
Groman Shores, Llc	0	0		0.0		0.9		0.0		
Hazel Towers Co., L.P.	1	0		0.0		0.0		14.5		
Hudson Valley Water Co.	0	0		0.0		0.0		48.0		
IDT America, Corp.	6	3		8.9		0.1		2.5		
IDT Energy, Inc.	8	0		6.9		0.0		0.0		
ILD Telecommunications, Inc. Infinite Energy, Inc.	1 5	0 1		28.7 4.4		0.0 0.0		0.0 0.0		
InfoHighway Solutions	1	0		1.0		316.2		65.0		
Integrated Services, Inc.	1	0		16.0		0.0		0.0		

	Initial	Escalated	CSM	Complaint Response	CRM	E. Complaint	ERM	Avg. Age of Cases	PCM	CSRI
Service Provider	Complaints	Complaints	Index	Time	Index	Response Time	Index	Pending	Index	
Intelicom International Corp.	0	0		0.0		0.0		44.0		
Interstate Gas Supply of New York, Inc.	1	0		0.0		0.0		2.0		
Kiamesha Artesian Spring Water Co., In	0	0		0.0		0.0		50.0		
Knolls Water Co.	1 1	0 1		0.0		0.0		6.0		
LCI International Telecom Corp. LCI International, Inc.	0	0		4.0 0.0		0.1 0.0		0.0 195.0		
Liberty Power Corp.	5	0		38.8		0.0		9.0		
Long Island Water Corporation	3	1		28.3		0.1		19.5		
Major Energy Services LLC	3	0		1.7		0.0		0.0		
Metropolitan Telecommunications	2	0		34.8		0.1		35.0		
Mountain Lodge Park Water Corp.	0	0		0.0		0.0		45.0		
Mx Energy	8	4		22.4		3.8		17.8		
My Tel Co, Inc.	1	0		26.5		26.2		0.0		
National Access Long Distance	1	1		4.0		0.0		10.0		
National Aqueous	0	1		4.0		0.0		158.0		
Nationwide Long Distance Service, Inc.	2	0		15.0		0.0		13.0		
Network Service Billing, Inc.	2	1		15.0		0.0		0.0		
New Rochelle Telephone Company Next Gen Telephone Co.	0 2	0 0		0.0 4.0		0.0 0.0		97.5 2.0		
Noco Natural Gas, Llc	1	0		9.0		0.0		0.0		
Northstar Telecom, Inc.	1	0		27.0		0.0		66.6		
NYSEG Solutions, Inc.	5	0		3.5		0.0		22.0		
OneLink Communications, Inc.	1	0		0.0		0.0		0.0		
Optimum Voice	5	1		23.5		0.0		28.0		
Orchard Hill Water Co.	0	0		0.0		0.0		87.0		
PAETEC Communications, Inc.	2	0		12.5		0.0		16.0		
Pattersonville Telephone Co.	0	0		0.0		0.0		0.0		
Plymouth Rock Energy LLC	1	1		15.0		0.0		0.0		
PowerNet Global Communications	1	0		0.0		0.0		21.0		
Qtel, LLC	2	0		5.0		0.0		0.0		
Quasar Communications Corporation	0	0		0.0		0.0		304.0		
Qwest Communications Corporation Reagans Mill Water Company	1 0	0 1		0.0 14.0		0.0 5.9		1.0 0.0		
Reconex, Inc. (USTEL/1-800-Reconex)	0	0		0.0		0.0		64.0		
Reduced Rate LD, LLC.	0	0		0.0		0.0		45.0		
Resdntl Comms. Netwrk of NY	1	2		35.0		0.0		0.0		
Saratoga Water Services, Inc.	0	0		0.0		0.0		0.0		
Sleepy Hollow Lake Water Co., Inc.	1	0		0.0		0.0		15.0		
Spectrotel, Inc.	1	0		3.0		0.0		122.7		
Sprint Communications	1	0		38.8		0.0		0.0		
St. Lawrence Gas	2	0		2.5		0.0		0.0		
Startec Global Licensing Company	0	0		0.0		48.9		51.0		
Stellar Management Company	0	0		0.0		0.0		3.0		
Sterling Homes, LLC Stonehenge Management	0 0	0 0		0.0 0.0		0.0 0.0		3.0 3.0		
Taconic Telephone Corp.	1	0		0.0		0.0		34.7		
Talk America, Inc.	5	3		15.8		0.0		11.0		
TC Systems, Inc. (Pay Phones Only)	0	0		0.0		0.0		105.0		
Tele Circuit Network	2	0		0.0		0.0		24.7		
TELEDIAS Communications, Inc.	1	0		10.0		0.0		0.0		
TeleUno, Inc.	0	1		78.0		0.0		0.0		
The Middleburgh Telephone Co.	1	1		7.0		0.0		0.0		
Time Warner - Albany Division	8	0		9.3		20.0		27.8		
Time Warner - Binghamton Time Warner - Buffalo Division	0 2	1 0		27.0		0.0 0.0		36.5		
Time Warner - Burialo Division Time Warner - Rochester Division	4	0		16.9 2.8		0.0		9.0 19.0		
Time Warner - Syracuse Division	5	1		4.3		10.8		2.7		
Titan Gas, LLC	1	0		5.0		0.0		0.0		
Top O' The World Water Co Inc	1	0		0.0		0.0		15.0		
Trinsic	3	3		12.3		9.9		2.5		
Tristate Bell Inc	0	0		0.0		177.3		16.0		
Tri-Tel Communications, Inc.	0	0		0.0		0.0		142.0		
Trumansburg Telephone Co., Inc.	0	0		187.0		0.0		0.0		
U.S. Gas & Electric, Inc.	4	0		10.0		0.0		1.0		
Underdog Communications Corp.	0	0		0.0		0.0		156.0		
United American Technology, Inc. United Telecom, LLC	1 0	0 0		0.0 0.0		0.0 0.0		23.5 49.0		
United Water-New Rochelle	3	2		11.0		0.0		49.0 40.7		
United Water-New York	5	2		8.7		0.0		26.9		
Utility Solutions	0	0		0.0		0.0		134.0		
VarTec Telecom, Inc. dba Clear Choice	3	1		7.2		0.0		9.0		

Service Provider	Initial Complaints	Escalated Complaints	CSM Index	Complaint Response Time	CRM Index	E. Complaint Response Time	ERM Index	Avg. Age of Cases Pending	PCM Index	CSRI
Verizon Communications (LD)	4	0		6.0		0.0		14.5		
Verizon Communications (PayPhones)	4	1		3.7		0.0		18.0		
Village of Arcade	1	0		0.0		0.0		30.0		
Village of Frankfort	1	0		6.0		0.0		0.0		
Village of Ilion	0	0		0.0		30.2		0.0		
Warwick Valley Telephone Company	0	0		0.0		10.1		0.0		
Windemere Highlands, Inc. (Water Utility	0	0		0.0		0.0		0.0		
Windstream Communications, Inc.	2	1		4.3		0.0		9.0		
XChange Telecom	1	0		0.0		0.0		40.8		
XO Communications, Inc.	2	1		6.0		0.0		9.0		
Zoom-I-Net Communications, Inc.	1	2		36.7		0.0		9.0		

#### 2008 Credit Adjustments Received For Consumers

As a result of our investigation into consumers' complaints, when staff determines that a consumer was overbilled, the utility is directed to refund to the consumer, any monies it collected above and beyond what was allowed by tariffs, rules and regulations.

The chart below identifies the credits obtained on behalf of consumers.

JAN '08	\$ 461,941.64
FEB '08	\$ 108,529.10
MAR '08	\$ 103,349.40
APR '08	\$ 179,299.65
MAY '08	
JUNE '08	
JULY '08	
AUG '08	
SEPT '08	
OCT '08	
NOV '08	
DEC '08	

853,119.79

2008 Total \$

#### **Number of Initial Complaints Received Against ESCO's**

FULL NAME	2007	2008	Dec-08	Nov-08	Oct-08	Sep-08	Aug-08	30-Inf	Jun-08	May-08	Apr-08	Mar-08	Feb-08	Jan-08
Accent Energy Midwest, LLC	234	63									8	16	18	21
ACN Energy, Inc.	4	0									0	0	0	0
Agway Energy Services, LLC	11	2									1	1	0	0
Ambit Energy	9	27									4	12	5	6
Amerada Hess Corp.	4	0									0	0	0	0
Ameristar Energy, LLC	0	1									1	0	0	0
BluCo Energy, LLC	0	3									0	0	3	0
Brown's Fuel	1	0									0	0	0	0
Columbia Utilities Power, LLC -	174	124									22	28	29	45
Columbia Utilities, LLC - gas	60	32									5	7	8	12
Commerce Energy, Inc.	1	0									0	0	0	0
Con Edison Solutions	23	3									0	1	1	1
Direct Energy Services, LLC	27	9									3	3	1	2
Energetix, Inc.	49	2									0	1	0	1
Energy Plus Holdings	0	1									1	0	0	0
Energy Service Providers	10	6									1	2	2	1
FFC Energy	0	0									0	0	0	0
Gateway Energy fka Econnergy	50	24									3	7	12	2
Great Eastern Energy	3	4									2	0	1	1
Green Mountain Energy	1	0									0	0	0	0
Hudson Energy Services, LLC.	210	99									18	31	28	22
IDT Energy, Inc.	214	40									8	11	10	11
Infinite Energy, Inc.	13	11									5	0	1	5
Interstate Energy Resources Inc	1	0									0	0	0	0
Interstate Gas Supply of New Yo	6	2									1	0	0	1
Keyspan Energy Services, Inc.	2	0									0	0	0	0
Liberty Power Corp.	173	17									5	0	2	10
Major Energy Services, LLC	7	10									3	3	2	2
Metro Energy Group, LLC	2	0									0	0	0	0
Mirabito Fuel Group Inc.	1	0									0	0	0	0
MX Energy, Inc.	67	30									8	10	5	7
National Fuel Resources, Inc.	2	0									0	0	0	0
NOCO Natural Gas LLC	3	1									1	0	0	0
NYSEG Solutions, Inc.	29	15									5	5	4	1
Plymouth Rock Energy, LLC	5	4									1	1	1	1
Pro-Energy Marketing, LLC	1	1									0	1	0	0
Robison Energy of Westchester	1	0									0	0	0	0
S.J. Fuel Co., Inc.	1	2									0	0	0	2
Spark Energy, L.P.	137	81									19	17	29	16
Strategic Energy, LLC	21	1									0	0	0	1
Stuyvesant Energy, LLC	4	0									0	0	0	0

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FULL NAME	2007	2008	Dec-08	Nov-08	Oct-08	Sep-08	Aug-08	30-Inc	90-unf	May-08	Apr-08	Mar-08	Feb-08	Jan-08
Titan Gas, LLC	0	4									1	0	2	1
U.S. Energy Savings Corp.	303	140									39	19	32	50
U.S. Gas & Electric, Inc.	13	12									4	0	3	5
Utility Resource Solutions, L.P.	5	0									0	0	0	0
Vectren Retail, LLC	20	4									0	0	1	3
Total	1902	775	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	169	176	200	230

#### **Number of Escalated Complaints Received Against ESCO's**

FULL NAME	2007	2008	Dec-08	Nov-08	Oct-08	Sep-08	Aug-08	30-Inc	90-unf	May-08	Apr-08	Mar-08	Feb-08	Jan-08
Accent Energy Midwest, LLC	29	6									5	1	0	0
ACN Energy, Inc.	0	0									0	0	0	0
Agway Energy Services, LLC	1	0									0	0	0	0
All American Gas & Energy	0	0									0	0	0	0
Ambit Energy	0	3									0	0	2	1
Brown's Fuel	1	0									0	0	0	0
Columbia Utilities Power, LLC - elec	45	26									5	2	4	15
Columbia Utilities, LLC - gas	14	7									3	1	1	2
Commerce Energy, Inc.	0	0									0	0	0	0
Con Edison Solutions	3	1									0	1	0	0
Direct Energy Services, LLC	6	0									0	0	0	0
Energetix, Inc.	9	0									0	0	0	0
Energy Service Providers	0	2									1	1	0	0
FFC Energy	1	0									0	0	0	0
Gateway Energy fka Econnergy	10	12									12	0	0	0
Great Eastern Energy	1	0									0	0	0	0
Hudson Energy Services, LLC.	50	29									10	8	7	4
IDT Energy, Inc.	21	7									0	3	3	1
Infinite Energy, Inc.	0	3									1	0	1	1
Interstate Gas Supply of New York, I	2	0									0	0	0	0
Keyspan Energy Services, Inc.	0	0									0	0	0	0
Liberty Power Corp.	25	3									0	2	1	0
Metro Energy Group, LLC	0	0									0	0	0	0
Mirabito Fuel Group Inc.	0	0									0	0	0	0
MX Energy, Inc.	14	11									4	1	1	5
Natgasco, Inc.	1	0									0	0	0	0
National Fuel Resources, Inc.	0	3									0	0	0	3
NOCO Natural Gas LLC	1	0									0	0	0	0
NYSEG Solutions, Inc.	2	1									0	0	0	1
Plymouth Rock	0	1									1	0	0	0
S.J. Fuel Co., Inc.	0	6									4	0	0	2
Spark Energy, L.P.	30	15									0	5	6	4
Strategic Energy, LLC	3	1									0	0	0	1
Stuyvesant Energy, LLC	0	0									0	0	0	0
U.S. Energy Savings Corp.	50	14									3	2	1	8
U.S. Gas & Electric, Inc.	1	0									0	0	0	0
Utility Resource Solutions, L.P.	1	0									0	0	0	0
Vectren Retail, LLC	2	0									0	0	0	0
Total	323	151	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	49	27	27	48