



**CH ENERGY GROUP, INC.  
&  
CENTRAL HUDSON GAS & ELECTRIC CORP.  
QUARTERLY FINANCIAL REPORT**

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## CH ENERGY GROUP CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF INCOME (UNAUDITED)

(In Thousands)

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2017	2016	2017	2016
Operating Revenues				
Electric	\$ 124,999	\$ 117,000	\$ 260,545	\$ 246,574
Natural gas	28,254	26,637	87,687	78,478
Total Operating Revenues	<u>153,253</u>	<u>143,637</u>	<u>348,232</u>	<u>325,052</u>
Operating Expenses				
Operation:				
Purchased electricity and fuel used in electric generation	39,463	35,521	80,937	77,064
Purchased natural gas	8,278	5,525	30,993	22,675
Other expenses of operation - regulated activities	59,597	54,816	124,091	113,338
Other expenses of operation - non-regulated	109	145	176	570
Depreciation and amortization	12,654	11,508	25,345	22,979
Taxes, other than income tax	15,147	14,600	33,627	32,153
Total Operating Expenses	<u>135,248</u>	<u>122,115</u>	<u>295,169</u>	<u>268,779</u>
Operating Income	<u>18,005</u>	<u>21,522</u>	<u>53,063</u>	<u>56,273</u>
Other Income and Deductions				
Income from unconsolidated affiliates	335	143	686	216
Interest on regulatory assets and other interest income	810	646	1,649	1,320
Regulatory adjustments for interest costs	172	77	310	130
Other - net	175	62	211	(28)
Total Other Income	<u>1,492</u>	<u>928</u>	<u>2,856</u>	<u>1,638</u>
Interest Charges				
Interest on long-term debt	6,399	5,927	12,732	11,885
Interest on regulatory liabilities and other interest	1,512	1,666	3,131	3,506
Total Interest Charges	<u>7,911</u>	<u>7,593</u>	<u>15,863</u>	<u>15,391</u>
Income before income taxes	11,586	14,857	40,056	42,520
Income Tax Expense	4,512	5,676	15,667	16,603
Net Income	<u>7,074</u>	<u>9,181</u>	<u>24,389</u>	<u>25,917</u>
Dividends declared on Common Stock	5,500	5,500	11,000	11,000
Change in Retained Earnings	<u>\$ 1,574</u>	<u>\$ 3,681</u>	<u>\$ 13,389</u>	<u>\$ 14,917</u>

## CH ENERGY GROUP CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (UNAUDITED)

(In Thousands)

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2017	2016	2017	2016
Net Income	\$ 7,074	\$ 9,181	\$ 24,389	\$ 25,917
Other Comprehensive Loss:				
Net unrealized loss on investments held by equity method investees - net of tax expense of \$0 and \$0, and \$0 and \$28, respectively	-	-	-	(42)
Other comprehensive loss	-	-	-	(42)
Comprehensive Income	<u>\$ 7,074</u>	<u>\$ 9,181</u>	<u>\$ 24,389</u>	<u>\$ 25,875</u>

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# CH ENERGY GROUP CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS (UNAUDITED)

(In Thousands)

	Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2017	2016
<b>Operating Activities:</b>		
Net income	\$ 24,389	\$ 25,917
<b>Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:</b>		
Depreciation	22,532	20,970
Amortization	2,813	2,009
Deferred income taxes - net	13,630	12,342
Bad debt expense	1,253	2,085
Undistributed equity in earnings of unconsolidated affiliates	(544)	151
Pension expense	8,166	8,356
Other post-employment benefits ("OPEB") expense	(1,350)	(1,354)
Regulatory liability - rate moderation	(8,557)	(8,026)
Revenue decoupling mechanism recorded	(1,214)	(341)
<b>Changes in operating assets and liabilities - net:</b>		
Accounts receivable, unbilled revenues and other receivables	12,040	9,671
Fuel, materials and supplies	2,816	(2,380)
Special deposits and prepayments	10,376	10,848
Income and other taxes	4,773	39,490
Accounts payable	(4,349)	318
Accrued interest	(9)	16
Customer advances	(4,837)	(309)
Pension plan contribution	(13,511)	(505)
OPEB contribution	(1,533)	(1,560)
Revenue decoupling mechanism refunded - net	(13,084)	(7,286)
Regulatory asset - site investigation and remediation ("SIR")	(260)	(162)
Regulatory asset - temporary state assessment	1,093	(342)
Regulatory liability - energy efficiency programs	16,399	14,649
Deferred natural gas and electric costs	6,342	1,925
Other - net	1,643	4,843
<b>Net cash provided by operating activities</b>	<b>79,017</b>	<b>131,325</b>
<b>Investing Activities:</b>		
Additions to utility and other property and plant	(77,591)	(88,844)
Other - net	1,407	(5,873)
<b>Net cash used in investing activities</b>	<b>(76,184)</b>	<b>(94,717)</b>
<b>Financing Activities:</b>		
Repayment of long-term debt	(691)	(8,645)
Proceeds from issuance of long-term debt	-	24,000
Repayments of short-term borrowings	(56,000)	(60,000)
Proceeds from short-term borrowings	56,000	39,000
Dividends paid on Common Stock	(11,000)	(11,000)
Other - net	-	(174)
<b>Net cash used in financing activities</b>	<b>(11,691)</b>	<b>(16,819)</b>
<b>Net Change in Cash and Cash Equivalents</b>	<b>(8,858)</b>	<b>19,789</b>
Cash and Cash Equivalents at Beginning of Period	19,307	13,582
Cash and Cash Equivalents at End of Period	\$ 10,449	\$ 33,371
<b>Supplemental Disclosure of Cash Flow Information:</b>		
Interest paid	\$ 12,949	\$ 12,147
<b>Non-Cash Investing Activities:</b>		
Accrued capital expenditures	\$ 9,645	\$ 10,101

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# CH ENERGY GROUP CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET (UNAUDITED)

(In Thousands)

	June 30, 2017	December 31, 2016	June 30, 2016
<b>ASSETS</b>			
Utility Plant (Note 2)			
Electric	\$ 1,327,992	\$ 1,289,880	\$ 1,259,856
Natural gas	468,118	457,271	430,735
Common	233,833	227,052	212,212
Gross Utility Plant	2,029,943	1,974,203	1,902,803
Less: Accumulated depreciation	514,634	500,280	492,608
Net	1,515,309	1,473,923	1,410,195
Construction work in progress	81,135	73,273	74,314
Net Utility Plant	1,596,444	1,547,196	1,484,509
Non-utility property & plant	524	524	524
Net Non-Utility Property & Plant	524	524	524
Current Assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	10,449	19,307	33,371
Accounts receivable from customers - net of allowance for doubtful accounts of \$3.4 million, \$4.1 million and \$5.3 million, respectively.	49,635	58,146	47,626
Accounts receivable - affiliates (Note 16)	3,051	501	601
Accrued unbilled utility revenues	14,360	19,775	22,248
Other receivables	5,257	7,173	5,207
Fuel, materials and supplies (Note 1)	21,193	24,009	21,163
Regulatory assets (Note 3)	31,479	25,989	23,009
Income tax receivable	863	5,636	-
Fair value of derivative instruments (Note 14)	21	3,311	2,680
Special deposits and prepayments	12,025	28,074	15,448
Total Current Assets	148,333	191,921	171,353
Deferred Charges and Other Assets			
Regulatory assets - pension plan (Note 3)	42,920	52,251	84,815
Regulatory assets - other (Note 3)	117,081	137,340	123,028
Fair value of derivative instruments (Note 14)	-	-	271
Investments in unconsolidated affiliates (Note 5)	8,241	7,719	7,756
Other investments	36,136	32,069	33,474
Other	6,066	5,183	3,649
Total Deferred Charges and Other Assets	210,444	234,562	252,993
Total Assets	\$ 1,955,745	\$ 1,974,203	\$ 1,909,379

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# CH ENERGY GROUP CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET (CONT'D) (UNAUDITED)

(In Thousands, except share amounts)

	June 30, 2017	December 31, 2016	June 30, 2016
<b>CAPITALIZATION AND LIABILITIES</b>			
Capitalization (Note 8)			
CH Energy Group Common Shareholders' Equity			
Common Stock (30,000,000 shares authorized: \$0.01 par value; 15,961,400 shares issued and outstanding)	\$ 160	\$ 160	\$ 160
Paid-in capital	336,036	336,036	335,906
Retained earnings	261,473	248,084	234,096
Accumulated other comprehensive income	144	144	152
Total Equity	<u>597,813</u>	<u>584,424</u>	<u>570,314</u>
Long-term debt (Note 9)			
Principal amount	553,586	554,325	558,040
Unamortized debt issuance costs	(3,814)	(4,022)	(3,979)
Long-term debt less unamortized debt issuance costs	549,772	550,303	554,061
Total Capitalization	<u>1,147,585</u>	<u>1,134,727</u>	<u>1,124,375</u>
Current Liabilities			
Current maturities of long-term debt (Note 9)	34,454	34,406	1,360
Short-term borrowings (Note 7)	-	-	4,000
Accounts payable	35,912	41,942	36,053
Accrued interest	5,800	5,809	5,519
Accrued vacation and payroll	8,890	8,228	8,468
Customer advances	11,676	16,513	17,668
Customer deposits	8,597	7,639	7,585
Regulatory liabilities (Note 3)	9,401	31,536	35,004
Fair value of derivative instruments (Note 14)	4,146	1,198	3,739
Accrued environmental remediation costs (Note 12)	18,926	15,501	20,121
Accrued income and other taxes	-	-	855
Other current liabilities	10,698	15,062	8,520
Total Current Liabilities	<u>148,500</u>	<u>177,834</u>	<u>148,892</u>
Deferred Credits and Other Liabilities			
Regulatory liabilities - OPEB (Note 3)	24,667	26,966	23,436
Regulatory liabilities - other (Note 3)	190,909	162,526	138,366
Operating reserves	4,111	3,852	3,257
Fair value of derivative instruments (Note 14)	4,083	744	1,308
Accrued environmental remediation costs (Note 12)	35,348	57,385	68,232
Accrued OPEB costs (Note 10)	10,834	12,024	17,166
Accrued pension costs (Note 10)	28,036	39,270	61,270
Tax reserve (Note 4)	1,070	1,703	4,131
Other liabilities	21,739	20,167	21,757
Total Deferred Credits and Other Liabilities	<u>320,797</u>	<u>324,637</u>	<u>338,923</u>
Accumulated Deferred Income Tax (Note 4)	<u>338,863</u>	<u>337,005</u>	<u>297,189</u>
Commitments and Contingencies			
Total Capitalization and Liabilities	<u>\$ 1,955,745</u>	<u>\$ 1,974,203</u>	<u>\$ 1,909,379</u>

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## CH ENERGY GROUP CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF EQUITY (UNAUDITED)

(In Thousands, except share amounts)

	CH Energy Group Common Shareholders					
	Common Stock		Paid-In Capital	Retained Earnings	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income	Total Equity
	Shares Issued	Amount				
<b>Balance at December 31, 2015</b>	15,961,400	\$ 160	\$ 335,906	\$ 219,179	\$ 194	\$ 555,439
Net income				25,917		25,917
Change in fair value: Investments					(42)	(42)
Dividends declared on Common Stock				(11,000)		(11,000)
<b>Balance at June 30, 2016</b>	<u>15,961,400</u>	<u>\$ 160</u>	<u>\$ 335,906</u>	<u>\$ 234,096</u>	<u>\$ 152</u>	<u>\$ 570,314</u>
<b>Balance at December 31, 2016</b>	15,961,400	\$ 160	\$ 336,036	\$ 248,084	\$ 144	\$ 584,424
Net income				24,389		24,389
Dividends declared on Common Stock				(11,000)		(11,000)
<b>Balance at June 30, 2017</b>	<u>15,961,400</u>	<u>\$ 160</u>	<u>\$ 336,036</u>	<u>\$ 261,473</u>	<u>\$ 144</u>	<u>\$ 597,813</u>

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## CENTRAL HUDSON CONDENSED STATEMENT OF INCOME (UNAUDITED)

(In Thousands)

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2017	2016	2017	2016
<b>Operating Revenues</b>				
Electric	\$ 124,999	\$ 117,000	\$ 260,545	\$ 246,574
Natural gas	28,254	26,637	87,687	78,478
Total Operating Revenues	153,253	143,637	348,232	325,052
<b>Operating Expenses</b>				
Operation:				
Purchased electricity and fuel used in electric generation	39,463	35,521	80,937	77,064
Purchased natural gas	8,278	5,525	30,993	22,675
Other expenses of operation	59,597	54,816	124,091	113,338
Depreciation and amortization	12,654	11,508	25,345	22,979
Taxes, other than income tax	15,144	14,405	33,620	31,943
Total Operating Expenses	135,136	121,775	294,986	267,999
Operating Income	18,117	21,862	53,246	57,053
<b>Other Income and Deductions</b>				
Interest on regulatory assets and other interest income	805	638	1,637	1,305
Regulatory adjustments for interest costs	172	77	310	130
Other - net	173	172	194	341
Total Other Income	1,150	887	2,141	1,776
<b>Interest Charges</b>				
Interest on long-term debt	6,116	5,621	12,163	11,271
Interest on regulatory liabilities and other interest	1,512	1,660	3,131	3,502
Total Interest Charges	7,628	7,281	15,294	14,773
Income Before Income Taxes	11,639	15,468	40,093	44,056
Income Tax Expense	4,519	5,895	15,658	17,043
Net Income	7,120	9,573	\$ 24,435	\$ 27,013

## CENTRAL HUDSON CONDENSED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (UNAUDITED)

(In Thousands)

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2017	2016	2017	2016
Net Income	\$ 7,120	\$ 9,573	\$ 24,435	\$ 27,013
Other comprehensive income	-	-	-	-
Comprehensive Income	\$ 7,120	\$ 9,573	\$ 24,435	\$ 27,013

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# CENTRAL HUDSON CONDENSED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS (UNAUDITED)

(In Thousands)

	Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2017	2016
<b>Operating Activities:</b>		
Net income	\$ 24,435	\$ 27,013
<b>Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:</b>		
Depreciation	22,532	20,970
Amortization	2,813	2,009
Deferred income taxes - net	13,715	12,437
Bad debt expense	1,253	2,085
Pension expense	8,166	8,356
OPEB expense	(1,350)	(1,354)
Regulatory liability - rate moderation	(8,557)	(8,026)
Revenue decoupling mechanism recorded	(1,214)	(341)
<b>Changes in operating assets and liabilities - net:</b>		
Accounts receivable, unbilled revenues and other receivables	11,925	10,221
Fuel, materials and supplies	2,816	(2,380)
Special deposits and prepayments	10,375	10,838
Income and other taxes	4,685	38,997
Accounts payable	(4,310)	748
Accrued interest	(7)	17
Customer advances	(4,837)	(309)
Pension plan contribution	(13,511)	(505)
OPEB contribution	(1,533)	(1,560)
Revenue decoupling mechanism refunded - net	(13,084)	(7,286)
Regulatory asset - SIR	(260)	(162)
Regulatory asset - temporary state assessment	1,093	(342)
Regulatory liability - energy efficiency programs	16,399	14,649
Deferred natural gas and electric costs	6,342	1,925
Other - net	2,415	4,034
<b>Net cash provided by operating activities</b>	<b>80,301</b>	<b>132,034</b>
<b>Investing Activities:</b>		
Additions to utility plant	(77,591)	(88,844)
Other - net	1,402	672
<b>Net cash used in investing activities</b>	<b>(76,189)</b>	<b>(88,172)</b>
<b>Financing Activities:</b>		
Repayment of long-term debt	-	(8,000)
Proceeds from issuance of long-term debt	-	24,000
Repayments of short-term borrowings	(56,000)	(60,000)
Proceeds from short-term borrowings	56,000	33,000
Dividends paid to parent - CH Energy Group	(9,262)	(6,762)
Other - net	-	(174)
<b>Net cash (used in) provided by financing activities</b>	<b>(9,262)</b>	<b>(17,936)</b>
<b>Net Change in Cash and Cash Equivalents</b>	<b>(5,150)</b>	<b>25,926</b>
Cash and Cash Equivalents - Beginning of Period	12,822	5,935
<b>Cash and Cash Equivalents - End of Period</b>	<b>\$ 7,672</b>	<b>\$ 31,861</b>
<b>Supplemental Disclosure of Cash Flow Information:</b>		
Interest paid	\$ 12,379	\$ 11,532
<b>Non-Cash Investing Activities:</b>		
Accrued capital expenditures	\$ 9,645	\$ 10,101

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## CENTRAL HUDSON CONDENSED BALANCE SHEET (UNAUDITED)

(In Thousands)

	June 30, 2017	December 31, 2016	June 30, 2016
<b>ASSETS</b>			
<b>Utility Plant (Note 2)</b>			
Electric	\$ 1,327,992	\$ 1,289,880	\$ 1,259,856
Natural gas	468,118	457,271	430,735
Common	233,833	227,052	212,212
Gross Utility Plant	2,029,943	1,974,203	1,902,803
Less: Accumulated depreciation	514,634	500,280	492,608
Net	1,515,309	1,473,923	1,410,195
Construction work in progress	81,135	73,273	74,314
Net Utility Plant	1,596,444	1,547,196	1,484,509
Non-Utility Property and Plant	524	524	524
Net Non-Utility Property and Plant	524	524	524
<b>Current Assets</b>			
Cash and cash equivalents	7,672	12,822	31,861
Accounts receivable from customers - net of allowance for doubtful accounts of \$3.4 million, \$4.1 million and \$5.3 million, respectively.	49,635	58,146	47,626
Accrued unbilled utility revenues	14,360	19,775	22,248
Other receivables	7,801	7,052	5,237
Fuel, materials and supplies (Note 1)	21,193	24,009	21,163
Regulatory assets (Note 3)	31,479	25,989	23,009
Income tax receivable	935	5,620	-
Fair value of derivative instruments (Note 14)	21	3,311	2,680
Special deposits and prepayments	11,983	28,031	15,405
Total Current Assets	145,079	184,755	169,229
<b>Deferred Charges and Other Assets</b>			
Regulatory assets - pension plan (Note 3)	42,920	52,251	84,815
Regulatory assets - other (Note 3)	117,081	137,340	123,028
Fair value of derivative instruments (Note 14)	-	-	271
Other investments (Note 15)	35,373	31,322	32,694
Other	5,703	4,753	3,151
Total Deferred Charges and Other Assets	201,077	225,666	243,959
Total Assets	\$ 1,943,124	\$ 1,958,141	\$ 1,898,221

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## CENTRAL HUDSON CONDENSED BALANCE SHEET (CONT'D) (UNAUDITED)

(In Thousands, except share amounts)

	June 30, 2017	December 31, 2016	June 30, 2016
<b>CAPITALIZATION AND LIABILITIES</b>			
Capitalization (Note 8)			
Common Stock (30,000,000 shares authorized: \$5 par value; 16,862,087 shares issued and outstanding)	\$ 84,311	\$ 84,311	\$ 84,311
Paid-in capital	239,952	239,952	239,952
Retained earnings	280,813	265,640	257,771
Capital stock expense	(4,633)	(4,633)	(4,633)
Total Equity	<u>600,443</u>	<u>585,270</u>	<u>577,401</u>
Long-term debt (Note 9)			
Principal amount	538,950	538,950	541,950
Unamortized debt issuance costs	(3,735)	(3,938)	(3,891)
Long-term debt less unamortized debt issuance costs	<u>535,215</u>	<u>535,012</u>	<u>538,059</u>
Total Capitalization	<u>1,135,658</u>	<u>1,120,282</u>	<u>1,115,460</u>
Current Liabilities			
Current maturities of long-term debt (Note 9)	33,000	33,000	-
Accounts payable	36,428	42,420	36,656
Accrued interest	5,755	5,762	5,468
Accrued vacation and payroll	8,890	8,228	8,463
Customer advances	11,676	16,513	17,668
Customer deposits	8,597	7,639	7,585
Regulatory liabilities (Note 3)	9,401	31,536	35,004
Fair value of derivative instruments (Note 14)	4,146	1,198	3,739
Accrued environmental remediation costs (Note 12)	18,926	15,501	20,121
Accrued income and other taxes	-	-	3,801
Other current liabilities	10,054	13,282	8,268
Total Current Liabilities	<u>146,873</u>	<u>175,079</u>	<u>146,773</u>
Deferred Credits and Other Liabilities			
Regulatory liabilities - OPEB (Note 3)	24,667	26,966	23,436
Regulatory liabilities - other (Note 3)	190,909	162,526	138,366
Operating reserves	4,111	3,852	3,257
Fair value of derivative instruments (Note 14)	4,083	744	1,308
Accrued environmental remediation costs (Note 12)	35,348	57,385	68,232
Accrued OPEB costs (Note 10)	10,834	12,024	17,166
Accrued pension costs (Note 10)	27,804	39,038	61,038
Tax reserve (Note 4)	1,070	1,703	4,131
Other liabilities	20,117	18,836	19,414
Total Deferred Credits and Other Liabilities	<u>318,943</u>	<u>323,074</u>	<u>336,348</u>
Accumulated Deferred Income Tax (Note 4)	<u>341,650</u>	<u>339,706</u>	<u>299,640</u>
Commitments and Contingencies			
Total Capitalization and Liabilities	<u>\$ 1,943,124</u>	<u>\$ 1,958,141</u>	<u>\$ 1,898,221</u>

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## CENTRAL HUDSON CONDENSED STATEMENT OF EQUITY (UNAUDITED)

(In Thousands, except share amounts)

Central Hudson Common Shareholders							
Common Stock							
	Shares Issued	Amount	Paid-In Capital	Capital Stock Expense	Retained Earnings	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income	Total Equity
<b>Balance at December 31, 2015</b>	16,862,087	\$ 84,311	\$ 239,952	\$ (4,633)	\$ 237,520	\$ -	\$ 557,150
Net income					27,013		27,013
Dividends declared on Common Stock to parent - CH Energy Group					(6,762)		(6,762)
<b>Balance at June 30, 2016</b>	16,862,087	\$ 84,311	\$ 239,952	\$ (4,633)	\$ 257,771	\$ -	\$ 577,401
<b>Balance at December 31, 2016</b>	16,862,087	\$ 84,311	\$ 239,952	\$ (4,633)	\$ 265,640	\$ -	\$ 585,270
Net income					24,435		24,435
Dividends declared on Common Stock to parent - CH Energy Group					(9,262)		(9,262)
<b>Balance at June 30, 2017</b>	16,862,087	\$ 84,311	\$ 239,952	\$ (4,633)	\$ 280,813	\$ -	\$ 600,443

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these condensed financial statements.

## ***NOTE 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies***

### **Corporate Structure**

CH Energy Group is the holding company parent corporation of four principal, wholly owned subsidiaries, Central Hudson Gas & Electric Corporation (“Central Hudson” or the “Company”), Central Hudson Electric Transmission LLC (“CHET”), Central Hudson Enterprises Corporation (“CHEC”) and Central Hudson Gas Transmission LLC (“CHGT”). CH Energy Group’s common stock is indirectly owned by Fortis Inc. (“Fortis”), which is a leader in the North American regulated electric and gas utility industry. Central Hudson is a regulated electric and natural gas transmission and distribution utility. CHET was formed to engage in Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (“FERC”) transmission projects and has a 6.1% ownership interest in New York Transco LLC (“Transco”). In the first quarter of 2016, CHGT was formed to hold CH Energy Group’s ownership stake in possible gas transmission pipeline opportunities in New York State. As of June 30, 2017 there has been no activity in CHGT. CHEC has ownership interests in certain non-regulated subsidiaries that are less than 100% owned.

### **Basis of Presentation**

This Quarterly Financial Report is a combined report of CH Energy Group and Central Hudson. The Notes to the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements apply to both CH Energy Group and Central Hudson. CH Energy Group’s Consolidated Financial Statements include the accounts of CH Energy Group and its wholly owned subsidiaries, which include Central Hudson, CHET, CHGT and CHEC. All intercompany balances and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation.

CHEC’s investments in limited partnerships (“Partnerships”) and limited liability companies and CHET’s investment in Transco are accounted for under the equity method. CHEC’s proportionate share of the change in fair value of available-for-sale securities held by the Partnerships is recorded in CH Energy Group’s Condensed Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income.

The Quarterly Condensed Financial Statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (“GAAP”), which for regulated utilities, includes specific accounting guidance for regulated operations.

### **Regulatory Accounting Policies**

Regulated companies, such as Central Hudson, defer costs and credits on the balance sheet as regulatory assets and liabilities when it is probable that those costs and credits will be recoverable through the rate-making process in a period different from when they otherwise would have been reflected in income. For Central Hudson, these deferred regulatory assets and liabilities, and the related deferred taxes, are recovered from or reimbursed to customers either by offset as directed by the New York State Public Service Commission (“PSC”) or through incorporation in the determination of revenue requirement used to set new rates.

Changes in regulatory assets and liabilities are reflected in the Condensed Consolidated Statement of Income in the period in which the amounts are reflected in rates. Current accounting practices reflect the regulatory accounting authorized in Central Hudson's most recent rate order. See Note 3 – "Regulatory Matters" for additional information regarding regulatory accounting.

### **Unaudited Quarterly Condensed Financial Statements**

The accompanying Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements of CH Energy Group and Condensed Financial Statements of Central Hudson are unaudited but, in the opinion of management, reflect all adjustments, which include normal recurring adjustments, necessary for a fair statement of the results for the interim periods presented. These unaudited Quarterly Condensed Financial Statements do not contain all footnote disclosures concerning accounting policies and other matters, which are included in the December 31, 2016 audited Financial Statements and, accordingly, should be read in conjunction with the Notes thereto.

### **Seasonality**

Central Hudson's operations are seasonal in nature and weather-sensitive and, as a result, financial results for interim periods are not necessarily indicative of trends for a twelve-month period. Demand for electricity typically peaks during the summer, while demand for natural gas typically peaks during the winter. The balance sheets of CH Energy Group and Central Hudson as of June 30, 2016 are included for supplemental information.

### **Rates, Revenues, and Cost Adjustment Clauses**

Central Hudson's electric and natural gas retail rates are regulated by the PSC. Transmission rates, facilities charges, and rates for electricity sold for resale in interstate commerce are regulated by the FERC.

Central Hudson's tariffs for retail electric and natural gas service include purchased electricity and purchased natural gas cost adjustment clauses by which electric and natural gas rates are adjusted to collect the actual purchased electricity and purchased natural gas costs incurred in providing these services.

Central Hudson's delivery rate structure includes Revenue Decoupling Mechanisms ("RDMs"), which provide the ability to record revenues equal to those authorized by the PSC and used for the development of rates for most of Central Hudson's customers.

### **Use of Estimates**

Preparation of the financial statements in accordance with GAAP includes the use of estimates and assumptions by management that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities and the disclosures of the contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting periods. As with all estimates, actual results may differ from those estimated. Expense items most affected by the use of estimates are depreciation and amortization (including amortization of intangible

assets), reserves for uncollectible accounts receivable, tax reserves, other operating reserves, unbilled revenues, pension and other post-retirement benefits.

There were no material changes in CH Energy Group's or Central Hudson's critical accounting estimates or in Central Hudson's regulatory accounting policies during the six months ended June 30, 2017.

Estimates are also reflected for certain commitments and contingencies where there is sufficient basis to project a future obligation. Disclosures related to these certain commitments and contingencies are included in Note 12 - "Commitments and Contingencies".

## Revenue Recognition

Effective July 1, 2016, in accordance with the 2015 Rate Order, Central Hudson implemented monthly billing to a majority of its customers. Central Hudson records revenue for the amounts billed to customers monthly, which is based on either the customers' meter read or estimated usage for the month. Based on the Order Approving Accounting Change with Modifications, issued and effective July 20, 2016, Central Hudson also records an estimate of unbilled revenue for service rendered to customers subsequent to their billing date and through the end of the month. Unbilled balances from the previous month reverse as current month actual bills are processed. As a result of this order, the net change to unbilled revenue is reflected on the income statement.

Between the period from July 1, 2015 and July 1, 2016, prior to monthly billing and in accordance with the Order Approving Rate Plan ("2015 Rate Order") in Cases 14-E-0318 and 14-G-0319, Central Hudson recorded an estimate of unbilled revenue for service rendered to bimonthly customers whose meters were read in the prior month. The estimate covered the 30 days subsequent to the meter read date while the remaining estimate of unbilled revenue exceeding 30 days, as defined under GAAP, was recorded with an offsetting regulatory liability balance. See Note 3 – "Regulatory Matters" for additional information.

Central Hudson records gross receipts tax revenues and expenses on a gross income statement presentation basis (i.e., included in both revenue and expenses). Total revenue taxes included in Operating Revenues are \$1.6 million for the three months ended June 30, 2017 and 2016, and \$3.9 million and \$3.5 million for the six months ended June 30, 2017 and 2016, respectively. Sales and use taxes charged to customers on Central Hudson's utility revenues are accounted for on a net basis (excluded from revenue).

## Fuel, Materials & Supplies

The following is a summary of CH Energy Group's and Central Hudson's Fuel, Materials & Supplies valued using the average cost method (In Thousands):

	June 30, 2017	December 31, 2016	June 30, 2016
Natural gas	\$ 3,581	\$ 4,054	\$ 3,094
Fuel used in electric generation	450	462	471
Materials and supplies	17,162	19,493	17,598
Total	<u>\$ 21,193</u>	<u>\$ 24,009</u>	<u>\$ 21,163</u>

## **Utility Plant - Central Hudson**

The regulated assets of Central Hudson include electric, natural gas and common assets, which are listed under the heading “Utility Plant” on CH Energy Group’s Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet and Central Hudson’s Condensed Balance Sheet. The accumulated depreciation associated with these regulated assets is also reported on the Condensed Balance Sheets.

The cost of additions to utility plant and replacements of retired units of property are capitalized at original cost. Capitalized costs include labor, materials and supplies, indirect charges for such items as transportation, certain administrative costs, certain taxes, pension and other employee benefits, and allowances for funds used during construction (“AFUDC”); less contributions in aid of construction.

AFUDC, is defined as the net cost of borrowed funds used for construction purposes and a reasonable rate on other funds when so used. The concurrent credit for the amount so capitalized is reported in the Condensed Consolidated Statement of Income as follows: the portion applicable to borrowed funds is reported as a reduction of interest charges while the portion applicable to other funds (the equity component) is reported as other income.

The replacement of minor items of property is included in operating expenses.

The original cost of property, together with removal cost less salvage, is charged to accumulated depreciation at the time the property is retired and removed from service as required by the PSC.

For additional information see Note – 2 “Utility Plant – Central Hudson.”

## **Depreciation and Amortization**

Central Hudson’s depreciation and amortization provisions are computed on the straight-line method using PSC approved rates based on studies of the estimated useful lives and estimated net salvage values of properties. The anticipated costs of removing assets upon retirement are generally provided for over the life of those assets as a component of depreciation expense and, for regulatory reporting purposes, is reflected in accumulated depreciation until the costs are incurred consistent with industry practice. Current accounting guidance related to asset retirement, precludes the recognition of expected future retirement obligations as a component of depreciation expense or accumulated depreciation. Central Hudson, however, is required to use depreciation methods and rates approved by the PSC under regulatory accounting. These depreciation rates include a charge for the cost of future removal and retirement of fixed assets. Central Hudson reclassifies cost of removal recovered in excess of amounts incurred to date from accumulated depreciation to regulatory liabilities for presentation in its Condensed Balance Sheet in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.



## **Asset Retirement Obligations**

Central Hudson records Asset Retirement Obligations (“AROs”) for the incremental removal costs, resulting from legal and environmental obligations associated with the retirement of certain utility plant assets, as a liability at fair value with a corresponding increase to utility capital assets, in the period in which the costs are known and estimable. The fair value of AROs is based on an estimate of the present value of expected future cash outlays, discounted at a credit-adjusted risk-free interest rate. AROs are adjusted at the end of each reporting period to accrete the liability for the passage of time and record any changes in the estimated future cash flows of the incremental obligation. Accretion and depreciation expense associated with AROs are recorded as regulatory assets. Actual costs incurred reduce the liability. The regulatory assets for accretion and depreciation are recovered through the accumulated depreciation reserve upon retirement of the asset.

## **Impairment of Long-Lived Assets**

Central Hudson reviews long-lived assets for impairment, at least annually. Asset-impairment testing at the regulated utilities is carried out at the enterprise level to determine if assets are impaired. The recovery of regulated assets’ carrying value, including a fair rate of return, is provided through customer electricity and natural gas rates approved by the PSC. The net cash flows for regulated enterprises are not asset-specific, but are pooled for the entire regulated utility.

## **Operating Leases**

CH Energy Group and its subsidiaries recognize operating lease payments as an expense in the Statement of Income on a straight line basis over the lease term.

## **Research and Development**

Central Hudson is engaged in the conduct and support of research and development (“R&D”) activities that are focused on the improvement of existing energy technologies and the development of new technologies for the delivery and customer use of energy. R&D expenditures are provided for in Central Hudson’s rates charged to customers for electric and natural gas delivery service, with any differences between R&D expense and the rate allowances deferred for future recovery from or return to customers. See Note 6 – “Research and Development” for additional details.

## **Debt Issuance Costs**

Expenses incurred in connection with CH Energy Group’s or Central Hudson’s debt issuance and any discount or premium on debt are deferred and amortized over the lives of the related issues. When long-term debt is reacquired or redeemed, regulatory accounting permits deferral of related unamortized debt expense and reacquisition costs. These costs are being amortized over the remaining life of the original life of the debt issue retired. The amortization of debt costs for reacquired debt is incorporated in the revenue requirement for delivery rates

as authorized by the PSC. See Note 9 – “Capitalization – Long-Term Debt” for additional details.

## **Income Tax**

CH Energy Group and its subsidiaries file consolidated federal income tax returns with their parent company and, depending on the state, either standalone or consolidated state income tax returns. Income taxes are deferred, for all differences between the financial statement and the tax basis of assets and liabilities, under the asset and liability method in accordance with current accounting guidance for income taxes. Certain deferred income taxes are recorded with offsetting regulatory assets or liabilities by Central Hudson to recognize that income taxes will be recovered or refunded through future rates. For federal and state income tax purposes, CH Energy Group and its subsidiaries use an accelerated method of depreciation and generally use the shortest life permitted for each class of assets. Central Hudson follows the normalization method of accounting, which spreads the tax benefits associated with utility assets over the same time period that the costs of those assets are recovered from customers. Normalization is required as a prerequisite for utilities claiming accelerated depreciation and certain tax credits. Deferred investment tax credits are amortized over the estimated life of the properties giving rise to the credits. For state income tax purposes, Central Hudson uses book depreciation for property placed in service in 1999 or earlier in accordance with transition property rules under Article 9-A of the New York State Tax Law. CHEC files state income tax returns in the states in which it conducts business. For more information, see Note 4 – “Income Tax”.

## **Post-Employment and Other Benefits**

Central Hudson sponsors a noncontributory Retirement Income Plan (“Retirement Plan”) for all management, professional and supervisory employees hired before January 1, 2008 and for all Union employees hired before May 1, 2008. Benefits are based on years of service and compensation. Central Hudson also provides Other Post-Employment Benefits (“OPEB”), which include certain health care and life insurance benefits for retirees hired within the same time periods as stated above. Additionally, Central Hudson maintains a Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan (“SERP”) for certain members of management.

Central Hudson recognizes an underfunded status of the defined benefit plans as a liability on its balance sheet. The underfunded status is measured as the difference between the fair value of the plans’ assets and the projected benefit obligation (“PBO”) for the plans. Central Hudson recognizes a regulatory asset for the underfunded amount because these future costs are probable for recovery from customers in future rates.

Retirement Plan and SERP (collectively “Pension”) and OPEB benefit expenses are determined by actuarial valuations based on assumptions that Central Hudson evaluates at least annually. The PSC has authorized deferral accounting treatment for any variations between actual pension and OPEB expenses and the amount included in the current delivery rate structure.

Any unamortized balances related to net actuarial gains and losses, past service costs and transitional obligations, which would otherwise be recognized in accumulated other comprehensive income are subject to deferral accounting treatment.

Central Hudson also sponsors a contributory 401(k) retirement plan (“401(k) plan”) for its employees. The 401(k) plan provides for employee tax-deferred salary deductions for participating employees and employer match contributions.

For more information see Note 10 – “Post-Employment Benefits”.

### **Equity-Based Compensation**

Officers of CH Energy Group and Central Hudson were granted Share Unit Plan shares (“SUPs”) under various plans as part of the officer’s long-term incentives. Compensation expense and the related liability associated with the SUPs is recorded based on the fair value at each reporting date until settlement reflecting expected future payout and time elapsed within the terms of the award, typically at the end of the three year vesting period. The fair value of the SUPs’ liability is based on Fortis’ common share 5 day volume weighted average trading price at the end of each reporting period. CH Energy Group and Central Hudson have elected to recognize forfeitures when they occur due to the limited number of participants in the equity-based compensation plans. For more information, see Note 11 – “Equity-Based Compensation”.

### **Common Stock Dividends**

CH Energy Group’s ability to pay dividends is affected by the ability of its subsidiaries to pay dividends. The Federal Power Act limits the payment of annual dividends by Central Hudson to its retained earnings. More restrictive is the PSC’s limit on the dividends Central Hudson may pay to CH Energy Group, which is 100% of the average annual income available for common stock, calculated on a two-year rolling average basis. See Note 8 – “Capitalization-Common and Preferred Stock” for additional information.

### **Derivatives**

From time to time, Central Hudson enters into derivative contracts in conjunction with the Company’s energy risk management program to hedge certain risk exposure related to its business operations. Central Hudson uses derivative contracts to reduce the impact of volatility in the supply prices of natural gas and electricity and to hedge exposure to volatility in interest rates for its variable rate long-term debt. Central Hudson records all derivatives at fair value with certain exceptions including those derivatives that qualify for the normal purchase and normal sales exception. The fair value of derivative instruments are estimates of the amounts that Central Hudson would receive or have to pay to terminate the outstanding contracts at the balance sheet dates.

Realized gains and losses on Central Hudson’s derivative instruments are conveyed to or recovered from customers through PSC-authorized deferral accounting mechanisms, with no material impact on cash flows, results of operations or liquidity. Realized gains and losses on

Central Hudson's energy derivative instruments are reported as part of purchased natural gas, purchased electricity and fuel used in electric generation in CH Energy Group's and Central Hudson's Statements of Income as the corresponding amounts are either recovered from or returned to customers through fuel cost adjustment clauses in revenues. See Note 14 – "Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities" for further details.

### **Normal Purchases and Normal Sales**

Central Hudson enters into forward energy purchase and sales contracts, including options, with counterparties that have generating capacity to support current load forecasts or counterparties that can meet Central Hudson's load serving obligations. Central Hudson has elected the normal purchase or normal sales exception for these contracts, which are not required to be measured at fair value and are accounted for on an accrual basis. See Note 12 – "Commitments and Contingencies" for further details.

### **Recently Adopted Accounting Policies**

#### *Simplifying the Measurement of Inventory*

Effective January 1, 2017, CH Energy Group and Central Hudson adopted Accounting Standard Update ("ASU") No. 2015-11. ASU 2015-11 simplifies the current guidance and eliminates the need to determine replacement cost and evaluate whether it is above the ceiling or below the floor. The adoption of ASU 2015-11 was applied prospectively. There was no material impact on the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of CH Energy Group and its subsidiaries upon adoption.

#### *Derivatives and Hedging, Effect of Derivative Contract Novations on Existing Hedge Accounting Relationships*

Effective January 1, 2017, CH Energy Group and Central Hudson adopted ASU No. 2016-05. ASU 2016-05 clarifies that "a change in the counterparty to a derivative instrument that has been designated as the hedging instrument under Topic 815 does not, in and of itself, require dedesignation of that hedging relationship provided that all other hedge accounting criteria continue to be met. The adoption of ASU 2016-05 was applied prospectively. There was no material impact on the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of CH Energy Group and its subsidiaries upon adoption.

#### *Investments - Equity Method and Joint Ventures, Simplifying the Transition to the Equity Method of Accounting*

Effective January 1, 2017, CH Energy Group and Central Hudson adopted ASU No. 2016-07. ASU 2016-07 eliminates the requirement that when an investment qualifies for use of the equity method as a result of an increase in the level of ownership interest or degree of influence, an investor must adjust the investment, results of operations, and retained earnings retroactively on a step-by-step basis. The adoption of ASU 2016-07 was applied prospectively. There was no material impact on the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of CH Energy Group and its subsidiaries upon adoption.

**NOTE 2 – Utility Plant - Central Hudson****Utility Plant**

The following summarizes the type and amount of assets included in the electric, natural gas, and common categories of Central Hudson's utility plant balances (In Thousands):

	Estimated Depreciable Life in Years	Utility Plant		
		June 30, 2017	December 31, 2016	June 30, 2016
<b>Electric:</b>				
Production	25-85	\$ 38,637	\$ 38,945	\$ 38,952
Transmission	30-80	338,986	317,900	308,672
Distribution	7-80	946,075	928,741	907,939
Other	40	4,294	4,294	4,293
Total		\$ 1,327,992	\$ 1,289,880	\$ 1,259,856
<b>Natural Gas:</b>				
Transmission	19-80	\$ 55,972	\$ 55,974	\$ 54,579
Distribution	28-95	411,703	400,854	375,712
Other	N/A	443	443	444
Total		\$ 468,118	\$ 457,271	\$ 430,735
<b>Common:</b>				
Land and Structures	50	\$ 74,609	\$ 74,036	\$ 72,446
Office and Other Equipment, Radios and Tools	8-35	52,777	49,784	48,648
Transportation Equipment	10-12	62,626	61,530	58,680
Other	5-10	43,821	41,702	32,438
Total		\$ 233,833	\$ 227,052	\$ 212,212
Gross Utility Plant		\$ 2,029,943	\$ 1,974,203	\$ 1,902,803

For both the three months ended June 30, 2017 and 2016, the borrowed component of funds used during construction and recorded as a reduction of interest expense was \$0.2 million, and the equity component reported as other income was \$0.3 million, respectively. For the six months ended June 30, 2017 and 2016, the borrowed component of funds used during construction and recorded as a reduction of interest expense was \$0.4 million and \$0.3 million, and the equity component reported as other income for both the six months ended June 30, 2017 and 2016 was \$0.6 million, respectively.

Included in the Net Utility Plant balance of \$1.6 billion for the period ended June 30, 2017 and \$1.5 billion for each of the periods ended December 31, 2016 and June 30, 2016 is \$76.7 million, \$72.0 million and \$65.0 million of intangible utility plant assets, comprised primarily of computer software costs, land, transmission and water rights and the related accumulated amortization of \$33.9 million, \$30.7 million and \$28.1 million, respectively.

As of June 30, 2017, December 31, 2016 and June 30, 2016, Central Hudson has reclassified from utility plant assets \$46.7 million, \$46.8 million and \$46.5 million, respectively, of cost of removal recovered through the rate-making process in excess of amounts incurred to date as a regulatory liability.

For each of the periods ended June 30, 2017, December 31, 2016 and June 30, 2016, asset retirement obligations for Central Hudson were approximately \$1.0 million. These amounts

have been classified in the above chart under “Electric - Other” and “Common - Other” based on the nature of the ARO and are reflected as “Other - long-term liabilities” in the CH Energy Group and Central Hudson Balance Sheets.

**NOTE 3 – Regulatory Matters****Summary of Regulatory Assets and Liabilities**

Based on previous, existing or expected regulatory orders or decisions, the following table sets forth amounts that are expected to be recovered from, or refunded to customers in future periods (In Thousands):

	June 30. 2017	December 31. 2016	June 30. 2016
<b>Regulatory Assets:</b>			
Current:			
Deferred purchased electric costs	\$ 3,830	\$ 5,972	\$ 6,085
Deferred purchased natural gas costs	3,962	8,162	1,377
Deferred unrealized losses on derivatives - Electric (Note 14)	3,977	1,198	3,739
Deferred unrealized losses on derivatives - Natural Gas (Note 14)	169	-	-
PSC general and temporary state assessment and carrying charges	2,399	3,413	4,623
RDM and carrying charges - Natural gas	1,774	-	-
Deferred debt expense on re-acquired debt	521	521	520
Deferred and accrued costs - SIR (Note 12)	6,440	6,366	6,307
Deferred vacation pay accrual	7,341	-	-
Other	1,066	357	358
	<u>\$ 31,479</u>	<u>\$ 25,989</u>	<u>\$ 23,009</u>
Long-term:			
Deferred pension costs (Note 10)	\$ 42,920	\$ 52,251	\$ 84,815
Carrying charges - pension reserve	3,642	2,892	2,170
Deferred unrealized losses on derivatives - Electric (Note 14)	4,083	744	1,308
Deferred and accrued costs - SIR and carrying charges (Note 12)	54,867	73,085	77,149
Deferred debt expense on re-acquired debt	3,157	3,418	3,679
Income taxes recoverable through future rates	15,601	23,334	10,250
Energy efficiency incentives and carrying charges	5,489	5,347	5,204
Reforming the Energy Vision ("REV") and carrying charges	8,284	5,716	1,798
Deferred vacation pay accrual	-	6,726	7,242
Deferred storm costs and carrying charges	8,114	4,714	5,072
Other	13,844	11,364	9,156
	<u>\$ 160,001</u>	<u>\$ 189,591</u>	<u>\$ 207,843</u>
<b>Total Regulatory Assets</b>	<u><b>\$ 191,480</b></u>	<u><b>\$ 215,580</b></u>	<u><b>\$ 230,852</b></u>
<b>Regulatory Liabilities:</b>			
Current:			
Rate moderator - Electric	\$ 2,015	\$ 7,067	\$ 12,130
Rate moderator - Natural Gas	4,049	5,269	5,742
RDM and carrying charges - Electric	3,316	14,582	83
RDM and carrying charges - Natural Gas	-	1,308	1,104
Deferred unrealized gains on derivatives - Electric (Note 14)	-	2,454	2,127
Deferred unrealized gains on derivatives - Natural Gas (Note 14)	21	856	553
Deferred unbilled electric and natural gas revenues (Note 1)	-	-	13,265
	<u>\$ 9,401</u>	<u>\$ 31,536</u>	<u>\$ 35,004</u>
Long-term:			
Rate moderator - Electric and carrying charges	\$ 35,888	\$ 35,794	\$ 36,349
Rate moderator - Natural Gas and carrying charges	4,565	4,640	4,100
Customer benefit fund	3,857	4,032	4,932
Deferred cost of removal (Note 2)	46,738	46,757	46,486
Income taxes refundable through future rates	23,494	18,682	19,056
Deferred OPEB costs	24,667	26,966	23,436
Carrying charges - OPEB reserve	5,211	3,984	2,696
Deferred property taxes and carrying charges	3,938	1,404	954
Deferred unbilled electric and natural gas revenues (Note 3)	5,082	5,082	-
Energy efficiency programs and carrying charges	49,427	33,028	17,711
Other	12,709	9,123	6,082
	<u>\$ 215,576</u>	<u>\$ 189,492</u>	<u>\$ 161,802</u>
<b>Total Regulatory Liabilities</b>	<u><b>\$ 224,977</b></u>	<u><b>\$ 221,028</b></u>	<u><b>\$ 196,806</b></u>
<b>Net Regulatory Assets (Liabilities)</b>	<u><b>\$ (33,497)</b></u>	<u><b>\$ (5,448)</b></u>	<u><b>\$ 34,046</b></u>

Significant regulatory liabilities include the following line item which was previously included in "Other" in prior periods.

*Deferred Property Taxes:* Per the 2015 Rate Order, Central Hudson is authorized to defer 90% of the difference between actual property taxes including school, city, town and village and the amount included in rates.

## 2015 Rate Order

On June 17, 2015, the PSC issued an Order establishing the 2015 Rate Order, adopting the terms set forth in the April 22, 2015 Joint Proposal with minor modifications. The 2015 Rate Order became effective July 1, 2015, with Rate Year 1 ("RY1"), Rate Year 2 ("RY2") and Rate Year 3 ("RY3") defined as the twelve months ending June 30, 2016, June 30, 2017 and June 30, 2018, respectively. For a full description of the key provisions of the 2015 Rate Order, refer to the disclosure in the 2016 Annual Financial Report. A summary of the key terms of the 2015 Rate Order are as follows:

Description	2015 Rate Order		
	Rate Year 1	Rate Year 2	Rate Year 3
Electric delivery rate increases	\$15.3 Million	\$16.0 Million	\$14.1 Million
Natural gas delivery rate increases	\$1.8 Million	\$4.6 Million	\$4.4 Million
Return on Equity ("ROE")	9.00%	9.00%	9.00%
Earnings sharing	Yes <sup>(1)</sup>	Yes <sup>(1)</sup>	Yes <sup>(1)</sup>
Capital structure – common equity	48%	48%	48%
Bill Credits - Electric	\$13.0 Million	\$12.0 Million	\$2.0 Million
Bill Credits - Natural Gas	\$2.548 Million	\$1.7 Million <sup>(2)</sup>	\$0 <sup>(2)</sup>
Major Storm Reserve - Electric	\$0.7 Million	\$0.7 Million	\$0.7 Million
RDMs – electric and natural gas	Yes	Yes	Yes

(1) ROE > 9.5% and up to 10.0%, 50% to customers, > 10.0% and up to 10.5%, 80% to customers, > 10.5%, 90% to customers.

(2) In addition to natural gas bill credits, 50% of gas delivery revenues from the Danskammer Generating Station in RY1 will be refunded to customers via bill credit in RY2. In addition, 50% of revenues from RY2 will be refunded as a natural gas bill credit in RY3.

On June 8, 2017, pursuant to the Joint Proposal Central Hudson submitted a notice of non-income based calculation of state tax and supporting documentation to the Secretary related to calendar year 2016 and recorded during the Rate Year ended June 30, 2017. As defined in Section V, subpart A4 (f) of the Joint Petition "If the Company is required to file state income tax on a non-net income based tax calculation, it will file a notice with the Secretary including the calculation of the incremental state income tax and the change that caused the Company to fall into a non-net income based tax calculation. This notice will be in lieu of the filing of a deferral petition and would not be subject to the Commission's traditional three-part deferral test." Central Hudson began accruing carrying charges on these deferred incremental expenses and will continue to accrue carrying charges until such time as the Commission approves, and Central Hudson receives, recovery of the deferred balance.

## Other PSC Proceedings

On May 5, 2017, Central Hudson filed a petition with the PSC seeking approval for accounting authority to defer incremental funding associated with Central Hudson's hazard tree trimming program. The Company also sought relief from its 2016 System Average Interruption Frequency Index ("SAIFI") service quality negative revenue adjustment, resulting from Central



Hudson's inability to meet the 2016 SAIFI target agreed to as part of the Joint Proposal approved by the PSC in Case 14-E-0318 effective June 17, 2015. The petition provided support that demonstrated the Company's deteriorating reliability performance and subsequent failure of the SAIFI penalty were the direct result of factors that were outside of its control and requested, 1) the establishment of an incremental \$5 million of funding towards the distribution danger tree program to be initiated during its current rate agreement, 2) deferral authority for \$1.9 million of incremental transmission trimming funding because Central Hudson's transmission program will be suspended in September 2017 due to inadequate funding in its current rate agreement, and 3) relief from the 2016 SAIFI penalty. The petition described the impacts of hazard trees resulting from the infestation of the Emerald Ash Borer, Federal and NYS imposed restrictions on the time of year when Central Hudson can trim due to the Indiana and Long eared bats and the current insufficient funding to maintain the recommended 4 year routine trimming cycle. All of these factors, which are outside the Company's control, contributed to the Company failing its 2016 SAIFI electric reliability service quality performance metric. Central Hudson is awaiting the PSC's response.

On March 7, 2017, Central Hudson filed a petition with the PSC seeking approval to defer and recover incurred and ongoing incremental costs associated with the development and implementation of the PSC's policies formulated in Case 14-M-0101, Proceeding on the Motion of the Commission in Regard to Reforming the Energy Vision ("REV") and its associated cases. Through February 28, 2017 of the current rate plan established in Case 14-E-0318 Central Hudson has accumulated incremental REV related costs totaling \$1.8 million and approximately \$0.1 million of carrying charges. Those costs include incremental internal and external labor costs used to develop the Distributed System Implementation Plan ("DSIP"), including Advance Metering Infrastructure business case and the Benefit Cost analysis handbook, Supplemental DSIP, Interconnection Earning Adjustment Mechanism ("EAM"), System Efficiency EAM and the cost of other REV requirements. The Company expects to incur other incremental costs associated with REV on a going forward basis including but not limited to costs associated with the development of an interconnection portal to facilitate Distributed Energy Resources ("DER") ability to connect to Central Hudson's distribution system and hosting capacity analysis to determine how much DER can connect to each circuit on Central Hudson's distribution system without triggering the need for a distribution system upgrade on the applicable circuit. On July 13, 2017, the PSC issued Order Approving Deferral Accounting and Recovery of Distributed System Platform Related Cost, Case 17-E-0113, authorizing Central Hudson to recover approximately \$1.8 million plus carrying charges via a Miscellaneous Charge Factor to become effective August 1, 2017.

On August 7, 2015, Central Hudson filed a petition with the PSC seeking recovery of \$5.284 million of incremental electric storm restoration expense plus carrying charges incurred during the twelve months ended June 30, 2015, from the 2014 Thanksgiving Storm. These incremental costs represent the amount Central Hudson deferred on its books based on actual costs incurred and bills received. On January 22, 2016, under Case 15-E-0464, the PSC approved the deferral of incremental storm restoration costs together with carrying charges at the allowed pre-tax rate of return. The method of recovery will be addressed in the Company's next rate case filing.

Deferral of incremental costs exceeding 2% of net income related to governmental mandates was authorized in the 2010 Rate Order, Case 09-E-0588, and was extended for two additional

rate years in Case 12-M-0192. There are currently regulatory asset balances associated with two deferrals for costs under this provision incurred during the last rate year of the extended rate freeze:

- On October 14, 2015, Central Hudson filed a deferral petition seeking approval and recovery of \$2.2 million of incremental expense associated with new compliance and reporting requirements resulting from multiple Commission Orders stemming from a natural gas incident in Horseheads, New York. On February 5, 2016, Central Hudson received a letter from the PSC's Office of Accounting, Audits and Finance indicating that the PSC had reviewed and audited the deferred balances and was in agreement with the amount deferred at December 31, 2015. The method of recovery will be addressed in the Company's next rate case filing.
- On September 1, 2015, Central Hudson filed a deferral petition with the PSC seeking approval and recovery of \$1.0 million of incremental expense associated with new compliance requirements resulting from the North American Reliability Corporation's ("NERC's") change to the definition of the Bulk Electric System, as approved by FERC. On February 5, 2016, Central Hudson received a letter from the PSC's Office of Accounting, Audits and Finance indicating that the PSC had reviewed and audited the deferred balances and was in agreement with the amount deferred at December 31, 2015. The method of recovery will be addressed in the Company's next rate case filing.

### **Petition for Change in Accounting**

On April 28, 2016, the Company filed a Petition for Accounting Change related to the required treatment of unbilled revenues set forth in the Order Approving Rate Plan ("Order"), issued and effective June 17, 2015, in Cases 14-E-0318 and 14-G-0319, to provide better matching of revenues and expenses. This Order required Central Hudson to defer and recognize residual unbilled revenue as a regulatory liability (as described in the approved Joint Proposal under Section V, subpart A, 4(h)). Specifically, Central Hudson sought approval to record and recognize residual unbilled revenue as revenue on the income statement each month beginning with the month of July 2016.

On July 20, 2016, the PSC issued the "Order Approving Accounting Change with Modification" allowing Central Hudson to realize unbilled revenue as revenue on the income statement citing conformity with GAAP and the accounting treatment at other utilities in NYS. However, the Order also requires a portion of the unbilled revenues remain as a regulatory liability for the future benefit of customers. Approximately \$14.1 million was recognized as unbilled revenues which occurred concurrent with the transition to monthly billing and provided an offset for the \$9.0 million earnings impact that would have resulted from the RDM targets being set without consideration for the transition to monthly billing. The net impact on earnings of approximately \$5.1 million was required to be deferred to ensure there was no net earnings impact that resulted from the transition to monthly billing and the recording of unbilled revenue. The deferral is included in "Regulatory Liabilities – other long-term" in CH Energy Group and Central Hudson's Condensed Balance Sheets.

**NOTE 4 – Income Tax****Uncertain Tax Positions**

In September of 2010, Central Hudson filed a request with the Internal Revenue Service (“IRS”) to change its tax accounting method related to costs to repair and maintain utility assets. The change was effective for the tax year ended December 31, 2009. This change allows Central Hudson to take a current tax deduction for a significant amount of repair costs that were previously capitalized for tax purposes.

In September 2012, Central Hudson filed corporate income tax returns for the year ended December 31, 2011. With that filing, Central Hudson included an election to adopt the provisions of Revenue Procedure 2011-43 (“Rev Proc”), which provided IRS guidance related to a repair deduction previously taken on electric transmission and distribution property. As such, tax reserves related to the electric transmission and distribution repair deductions, which were established prior to issuance of the Rev Proc, were reclassified to deferred tax liability accounts.

IRS guidance, with respect to repair deductions taken on Gas Transmission and Distribution repairs is still pending. Therefore, remaining reserves related to the gas repair deduction continue to be shown as “Tax Reserve” under the Deferred Credits and Other Liabilities section of the CH Energy Group and Central Hudson Balance Sheet.

Other than the uncertain tax position related to Central Hudson’s accounting method change for gas transmission and distribution repairs, there are no other uncertain tax positions. Included in the decrease for the three and six months ended June 30, 2017 are \$2.1 and \$0.9 million, respectively, of federal uncertain tax position previously reclassified to a deferred tax asset per ASU No. 2013-11, *Presentation of an Unrecognized Tax Benefit When a Net Operating Loss (“NOL”) Carryforward, a Similar Tax Loss, or a Tax Credit Carryforward Exists*. At June 30, 2017, the tax reserve ending balance includes the offset of the remaining tax benefit of \$4.4 million, which was previously reclassified to a deferred tax asset.

Changes in the tax reserve reflect the ongoing uncertainty related to gas transmission and distribution repair deductions taken in the current period.

The following is a summary of activity related to uncertain tax positions (In Thousands):

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2017	2016	2017	2016
Tax reserve balance at the beginning of the period	\$ 3,081	\$ 3,913	\$ 1,703	\$ 3,520
Change in gas transmission and distribution repair deduction	49	218	312	435
Change in tax benefit offset	(2,060)	-	(945)	176
Tax reserve balance at the end of the period	<u>\$ 1,070</u>	<u>\$ 4,131</u>	<u>\$ 1,070</u>	<u>\$ 4,131</u>

**Income Tax Examinations**

Jurisdiction	Tax Years Open for Audit
Federal	2013 – 2015
New York State	2013 – 2015

**Components of Income Tax - CH Energy Group**

The following is a summary of the components of federal and state income tax expense (benefit) for CH Energy Group as reported in its Condensed Consolidated Statement of Income (In Thousands):

	Three Months Ended		Six Months Ended	
	June 30,		June 30,	
	2017	2016	2017	2016
Current federal income tax	\$ 470	\$ (349)	\$ 1,019	\$ 2,639
Current state income tax	215	511	1,018	1,622
Deferred federal income tax	4,050	5,138	12,887	11,199
Deferred state income tax	(223)	376	743	1,143
Total income tax expense	<u>\$ 4,512</u>	<u>\$ 5,676</u>	<u>\$ 15,667</u>	<u>\$ 16,603</u>

**Reconciliation - CH Energy Group**

The following is a reconciliation between the amount of federal income tax computed on income before taxes at the statutory rate and the amount reported in CH Energy Group's Condensed Consolidated Statement of Income (In Thousands):

	Three Months Ended		Six Months Ended	
	June 30,		June 30,	
	2017	2016	2017	2016
Net income	\$ 7,074	\$ 9,181	\$ 24,389	\$ 25,917
Federal income tax	470	(349)	1,019	2,639
State income tax	215	511	1,018	1,622
Deferred federal income tax	4,050	5,138	12,887	11,199
Deferred state income tax	(223)	376	743	1,143
Income before income taxes	<u>\$ 11,586</u>	<u>\$ 14,857</u>	<u>\$ 40,056</u>	<u>\$ 42,520</u>
Computed federal tax at 35% statutory rate	\$ 4,055	\$ 5,200	\$ 14,020	\$ 14,882
State income tax net of federal tax benefit	470	577	1,621	1,875
State income tax prior period adjustment	(476)	-	(476)	-
Depreciation flow-through	1,203	708	2,006	1,384
Cost of removal	(614)	(634)	(1,222)	(1,276)
Other	(126)	(175)	(282)	(262)
Total income tax expense	<u>\$ 4,512</u>	<u>\$ 5,676</u>	<u>\$ 15,667</u>	<u>\$ 16,603</u>
Effective tax rate - federal	39.0%	32.2%	34.7%	32.5%
Effective tax rate - state	(0.1%)	6.0%	4.4%	6.5%
Effective tax rate - combined	<u>38.9%</u>	<u>38.2%</u>	<u>39.1%</u>	<u>39.0%</u>

**Components of Income Tax - Central Hudson**

The following is a summary of the components of state and federal income tax expense (benefit) for Central Hudson as reported in its Condensed Statement of Income (In Thousands):

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2017	2016	2017	2016
Current federal income tax	\$ 454	\$ (151)	\$ 986	\$ 3,118
Current state income tax	183	548	958	1,489
Deferred federal income tax	4,097	5,126	12,963	11,285
Deferred state income tax	(215)	372	751	1,151
Total income tax expense	<u>\$ 4,519</u>	<u>\$ 5,895</u>	<u>\$ 15,658</u>	<u>\$ 17,043</u>

**Reconciliation – Central Hudson**

The following is a reconciliation between the amount of federal income tax computed on income before taxes at the statutory rate and the amount reported in Central Hudson's Condensed Statement of Income (In Thousands):

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2017	2016	2017	2016
Net income	\$ 7,120	\$ 9,573	\$ 24,435	\$ 27,013
Federal income tax	454	(151)	986	3,118
State income tax	183	548	958	1,489
Deferred federal income tax	4,097	5,126	12,963	11,285
Deferred state income tax	(215)	372	751	1,151
Income before income taxes	<u>\$ 11,639</u>	<u>\$ 15,468</u>	<u>\$ 40,093</u>	<u>\$ 44,056</u>
Computed federal tax at 35% statutory rate	\$ 4,074	\$ 5,414	\$ 14,033	\$ 15,419
State income tax net of federal tax benefit	456	598	1,588	1,794
State income tax prior period adjustment	(476)	-	(476)	-
Depreciation flow-through	1,203	708	2,006	1,384
Cost of Removal	(614)	(634)	(1,222)	(1,276)
Other	(124)	(191)	(271)	(278)
Total income tax expense	<u>\$ 4,519</u>	<u>\$ 5,895</u>	<u>\$ 15,658</u>	<u>\$ 17,043</u>
Effective tax rate - federal	39.1%	32.2%	34.8%	32.7%
Effective tax rate - state	(0.3%)	5.9%	4.3%	6.0%
Effective tax rate - combined	<u>38.8%</u>	<u>38.1%</u>	<u>39.1%</u>	<u>38.7%</u>

***NOTE 5 – Investments in Unconsolidated Affiliates***

In the first quarter of 2016, CH Energy Group formed CHGT to hold an ownership stake in possible gas transmission pipeline opportunities in New York State. As of June 30, 2017 there has been no activity in CHGT.

In 2014, CH Energy Group formed CHET to engage in electric transmission projects. The first undertaking of CHET was the execution of the Transco agreement. CHET's ownership interest in Transco is 6.1%. FERC approved rates for Transco in March 2016 and three projects costing approximately \$209.0 million were placed in service on June 1, 2016 after receiving the remaining regulatory approvals in May 2016. CHET made capital contributions to Transco of \$6.8 million to fund these projects. During the six months ended June 30, 2017 CHET made no capital contributions to Transco. As of June 30, 2017 CHET's investment in Transco was approximately \$7.3 million. As of December 31, 2016 and June 30, 2016 the value of CHET's investment in Transco was approximately \$6.9 million.

CHEC has equity investments in partnerships, one of which holds investments in energy sector start-up companies. As of June 30, 2017, December 31, 2016 and June 30, 2016, the value of CHEC's equity investments were \$1.0 million, \$0.8 million and \$0.9 million, respectively. These investments are not considered to be a part of the core business; however, management intends to retain these investments at this time.

***NOTE 6 – Research and Development***

Central Hudson's R&D expenditures for the three months ended June 30, 2017 and 2016 were \$0.5 million and \$0.4 million, respectively. Central Hudson's R&D expenditures for the six months ended June 30, 2017 and 2016 were \$1.6 million and \$1.2 million, respectively. These expenditures were for internal research programs and for contributions to research administered by New York State Energy Research and Development Authority ("NYSERDA"), the Electric Power Research Institute and other industry organizations. As authorized in the 2015 Rate Order, Central Hudson defers the difference between actual expenditures and the amount provided for in delivery rates for future recovery from or pass back to customers.

**NOTE 7 – Short-Term Borrowing Arrangements**

CH Energy Group and Central Hudson borrowings under their committed and uncommitted short-term borrowing arrangements are as follows:

Description	CH Energy Group			Central Hudson		
	<b>Revolving Credit Facilities:<sup>(1)</sup></b>					
Limit	\$50 million <sup>(2)</sup> / \$200 million <sup>(3)</sup>			\$200 million <sup>(3)</sup>		
Expiration	July 10, 2020 / October 15, 2020			October 15, 2020		
Use of proceeds	For general corporate purposes	For capital expenditures and for general corporate purposes		For capital expenditures and for general corporate purposes		
<b>Letters of Credit:</b>	Available up to \$25 million <sup>(2)</sup>		Available up to \$15 million <sup>(3)</sup>	Available up to \$15 million <sup>(3)</sup>		
	CH Energy Group			Central Hudson		
	June 30, 2017	December 31, 2016	June 30, 2016	June 30, 2017	December 31, 2016	June 30, 2016
<b>Outstanding (In Thousands):</b>						
Committed Credit	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Uncommitted Credit <sup>(4)</sup>	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<b>Weighted Average Interest Rate</b>	0.00%	0.00%	1.38%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%

(1) Providing committed credit. The credit facilities include a covenant that the total consolidated total funded debt to total capital of CH Energy Group and total funded debt to total capital of Central Hudson, respectively shall not exceed 0.65 to 1.00. The credit facilities are all subject to certain restrictions and conditions, including there will be no event of default, and subject to certain exceptions, CH Energy Group and Central Hudson will not sell, lien, or otherwise encumber its assets and enter into certain transactions including those with affiliates. CH Energy Group and Central Hudson are also required to pay a commitment fee calculated at a rate based on the applicable Standards and Poor's or Moody's rating on the average daily unused portion of the credit facilities. CH Energy Group and Central Hudson are in compliance with all debt covenants.

(2) Participating banks in the credit facility for CH Energy Group are JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., Bank of America, N.A., Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. and KeyBank National Association. Included as part of the \$50 million revolving credit facility is a \$10 million Swingline Facility, whereby loans are available up to \$10 million with a maturity of 14 days or less. If these lenders are unable to fulfill their commitments under these facilities, funding may not be available as needed.

(3) Participating banks in the credit facility for Central Hudson are JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., Bank of America, N.A., Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., KeyBank National Association, Bank of Nova Scotia, N.A. and Citizens Bank, N.A. If these lenders are unable to fulfill their commitments under these facilities, funding may not be available as needed.

(4) For all periods, Central Hudson had \$25 million of uncommitted credit available through arrangements with Bank of America, N.A., and Citizens Bank, N.A. For the period ended June 30, 2017, Central Hudson also had a \$15 million uncommitted credit arrangement with the Bank of Nova Scotia, N.A. Proceeds from these credit arrangements will be used to diversify cash sources and provide competitive options to minimize Central Hudson's cost of short-term debt.

## ***NOTE 8 – Capitalization – Common and Preferred Stock***

### **Common Stock Dividends**

CH Energy Group's ability to pay dividends is affected by the ability of its subsidiaries to pay dividends. The Federal Power Act limits the payment of annual dividends by Central Hudson to its retained earnings. More restrictive is the PSC's limit on the dividends Central Hudson may pay to CH Energy Group, which is 100% of the average annual income available for common stock, calculated on a two-year rolling average basis. Based on this calculation, Central Hudson is currently restricted to a maximum annual payment of \$48.2 million and \$41.8 million in dividends to CH Energy Group for the periods ended June 30, 2017 and 2016, respectively. Central Hudson's ability to pay dividends would be reduced to 75% of its average annual income in the event of a downgrade of its senior debt rating below "BBB+" by more than one rating agency, if the stated reason for the downgrade is related to any of CH Energy Group's or Central Hudson's affiliates. Further restrictions are imposed for rating downgrades below this level. In addition, Central Hudson would not be allowed to pay dividends if its average common equity ratio for the 13 months prior to a proposed dividend was more than 200 basis points below the ratio used in setting rates (currently 48%). CH Energy Group's other subsidiaries do not have expressed restrictions on their ability to pay dividends.

During both the three and six months ended June 30, 2017 and 2016, CH Energy Group paid dividends to FortisUS Inc. ("FortisUS") of \$5.5 million and \$11.0 million, respectively.

During the three and six months ended June 30, 2017, Central Hudson paid dividends to parent CH Energy Group of \$5.262 and \$9.262 million, respectively. During the three and six months ended June 30, 2016, Central Hudson paid dividends to parent CH Energy Group of \$6.762 million.

During the three and six months ended June 30, 2017, CHEC paid dividends to parent CH Energy Group of \$0.7 million. There were no dividends paid to CH Energy Group by CHEC during 2016.

### **Preferred Stock**

Other than the one share of Junior Preferred Stock, Central Hudson has no outstanding preferred stock as of June 30, 2017, December 31, 2016 and June 30, 2016, respectively.



**NOTE 9 – Capitalization – Long-Term Debt**

The majority of the long-term debt instruments are redeemable at the discretion of CH Energy Group and Central Hudson, at any time, at the greater of par or a specified price as defined in the respective long-term debt agreements, together with accrued and unpaid interest.

A summary of CH Energy Group's and Central Hudson's long-term debt is as follows (In Thousands):

	June 30, 2017	December 31, 2016	June 30, 2016
<b>CH Energy Group:</b>			
Promissory notes	\$ 588,040	\$ 588,731	\$ 559,400
Less: current portion	(34,454)	(34,406)	(1,360)
Principal portion of long-term-debt	553,586	554,325	558,040
Less: unamortized debt issuance costs	(3,814)	(4,022)	(3,979)
Net long-term debt - CH Energy Group	<u>\$ 549,772</u>	<u>\$ 550,303</u>	<u>\$ 554,061</u>
<b>Central Hudson:</b>			
Promissory notes	\$ 571,950	\$ 571,950	\$ 541,950
Less: current portion	(33,000)	(33,000)	-
Principal portion of long-term-debt	538,950	538,950	541,950
Less: unamortized debt issuance costs	(3,735)	(3,938)	(3,891)
Net long-term debt - Central Hudson	<u>\$ 535,215</u>	<u>\$ 535,012</u>	<u>\$ 538,059</u>

At June 30, 2017, Central Hudson had \$30 million of 2014 Series E 10-year notes with a floating interest rate of 3 month LIBOR plus 1%. To mitigate the potential cash flow impact from unexpected increases in short-term interest rates, Central Hudson purchased a 3-year interest rate cap that will expire on March 26, 2020. The rate cap has a notional amount equal to the outstanding principal amount of the 2014 Series E notes and is based on the quarterly reset of the LIBOR rate on the quarterly interest payment dates. Central Hudson would receive a payout if the LIBOR rate exceeds 3% at the start of any quarterly interest period during the term of the cap. This interest rate cap replaces a similar interest rate cap that expired on March 26, 2017. There has been no payout on these interest rate caps for the periods presented.

The principal amount of Central Hudson's outstanding 1999 Series B NYSERDA Bonds totaled \$33.7 million at June 30, 2017. These are tax-exempt multi-modal bonds that are currently in a variable rate mode and mature in 2034. To mitigate the potential cash flow impact from unexpected increases in short-term interest rates on Series B NYSERDA Bonds, on March 24, 2016, Central Hudson purchased an interest rate cap. The rate cap has a notional amount equal to the outstanding principal amount of the Series B bonds and expires on April 1, 2019. The cap is based on the monthly weighted average of an index of tax-exempt variable rate debt, multiplied by 175%. Central Hudson would receive a payout if the adjusted index exceeds 5.0% for a given month. There were no payouts on this interest rate cap during the three and six months ended June 30, 2017 and 2016.

In its 2015 Rate Order, the PSC has authorized the continued deferral accounting treatment for variations in the interest costs of the 1999 Series B NYSERDA Bonds and beginning July 1,

2015, the Series E 10-year notes. As such, variations between the actual interest rates on these bonds and the interest rate included in the current delivery rate structure for these bonds are deferred for future recovery from or refund to customers and therefore do not impact earnings. See Note 14 – “Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities” for fair value disclosures related to the recovery of these interest costs.

### Debt Covenants

CH Energy Group’s \$16.1 million of privately placed notes require compliance with certain covenants including maintaining a ratio of total consolidated debt to total consolidated capitalization of no more than 0.65 to 1.00 and not permitting certain debt, other than the privately placed notes, associated with the unregulated operations of CH Energy Group to exceed 10% of total consolidated assets.

Central Hudson, under the terms of the various note purchase agreements, is subject to similar financial covenants and restrictions to that of CH Energy Group, including restrictions with respect to Central Hudson’s indebtedness and assets.

As of June 30, 2017, CH Energy Group and Central Hudson are in compliance with all covenants.

### NOTE 10 – Post-Employment Benefits

In its Orders, the PSC has authorized deferral accounting treatment for any variations between actual pension and OPEB expense and the amount included in the current delivery rate structure. As a result, variations in expenses for post-employment benefit plans at Central Hudson do not have any impact on earnings.

Central Hudson has a non-contributory Retirement Plan covering substantially all of its employees hired before January 1, 2008 and a non-qualified SERP for certain executives. The Retirement Plan is a defined benefit plan, which provides pension benefits based on an employee’s compensation and years of service. Central Hudson also provides certain health care and life insurance benefits for retired employees through its post-retirement benefit plans.

Central Hudson’s net periodic benefit costs for its pension and OPEB plans for the three and six months ended June 30, 2017 and 2016 are as follows (In Thousands):

	Pension Benefits		OPEB	
	Three Months Ended		Three Months Ended	
	June 30,		June 30,	
	2017	2016	2017	2016
Service cost	\$ 2,954	\$ 2,846	\$ 460	\$ 578
Interest cost	6,687	6,694	1,362	1,356
Expected return on plan assets	(8,503)	(8,416)	(1,836)	(2,041)
Amortization of prior service cost (credit)	290	370	(1,153)	(1,433)
Amortization of recognized actuarial (gain)/loss	4,178	4,412	(258)	(109)
Net Periodic (Benefit) Cost	<u>\$ 5,606</u>	<u>\$ 5,906</u>	<u>\$ (1,425)</u>	<u>\$ (1,649)</u>

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	Pension Benefits		OPEB	
	Six Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2017	2016	2017	2016
Service cost	\$ 5,908	\$ 5,692	\$ 920	\$ 1,156
Interest cost	13,374	13,388	2,724	2,712
Expected return on plan assets	(17,006)	(16,832)	(3,672)	(4,082)
Amortization of prior service cost (credit)	580	740	(2,306)	(2,866)
Amortization of recognized actuarial (gain)/loss	8,356	8,824	(516)	(218)
Net Periodic (Benefit) Cost	<u>\$ 11,212</u>	<u>\$ 11,812</u>	<u>\$ (2,850)</u>	<u>\$ (3,298)</u>

The balance of Central Hudson's accrued pension costs (i.e., the under-funded status) is as follows (In Thousands):

	June 30, 2017 <sup>(1)</sup>	December 31, 2016 <sup>(1)</sup>	June 30, 2016 <sup>(1)</sup>
Accrued pension costs	\$ 29,086	\$ 40,320	\$ 62,394

(1) Includes approximately \$232K at June 30, 2017, December 31, 2016 and June 30, 2016 of accrued pension liability recorded at CH Energy Group as a result of the resignation in 2014 of two CH Energy Group officers with change in control agreements.

Accrued pension costs include the difference between the PBO for pensions and the market value of the pension assets and any liability for the non-qualified SERP.

The following reflects the impact of the recording of funding status adjustments on the Balance Sheets of CH Energy Group and Central Hudson (In Thousands):

	June 30, 2017 <sup>(1)</sup>	December 31, 2016 <sup>(1)</sup>	June 30, 2016 <sup>(1)</sup>
Prefunded pension costs prior to funding status adjustment	\$ 10,254	\$ 7,956	\$ 19,202
Additional liability required	(39,340)	(48,276)	(81,596)
Total accrued pension costs	<u>\$ (29,086)</u>	<u>\$ (40,320)</u>	<u>\$ (62,394)</u>
Total offset to additional liability - regulatory assets - pension plan	<u>\$ 39,340</u>	<u>\$ 48,276</u>	<u>\$ 81,596</u>

(1) Includes approximately \$232K at June 30, 2017, December 31, 2016 and June 30, 2016 of accrued pension liability recorded at CH Energy Group as a result of the resignation in 2014 of two CH Energy Group officers with change in control agreements.

Gains or losses and prior service costs or credits that arise during the period, but that are not recognized as components of net periodic pension cost, would typically be recognized as a component of other comprehensive income, net of tax. However, Central Hudson has PSC approval to record regulatory assets rather than adjusting comprehensive income to offset the additional liability.

Contribution levels for the Retirement and OPEB Plans are determined by various factors including the funded status, expected return on plan assets, benefit changes, changes in mortality assumptions and corporate resources. In addition, OPEB plan contribution levels are also impacted by medical claims.

Contributions for the three and six months ended June 30, 2017 and 2016 were as follows (In Thousands):

Retirement Plan				OPEB			
Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,		Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
2017	2016	2017	2016	2017	2016	2017	2016
\$ -	\$ -	\$ 13,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,533	\$ 1,560

Central Hudson did not make any contributions to the Retirement Plan in 2016. Contributions intended for 2016 were made in 2015 and met Central Hudson's funding objectives for 2016. Additionally, during the first quarter of 2017, Central Hudson made a contribution to the SERP of \$0.7 million.

### Retirement Plan Policy and Strategy

Central Hudson's Retirement Plan investment policy seeks to reduce the Plan's funded status volatility while targeting a rate of growth equivalent to that of the liability within reasonable risk tolerance levels. In addition to traditional risk and return measures, the policy reflects liability-based considerations, including the Retirement Plan's funded status, contribution requirements and financial statement items.

Asset allocation targets in effect as of June 30, 2017, as well as actual asset allocations as of June 30, 2017, December 31, 2016, and June 30, 2016, expressed as a percentage of the market value of Retirement Plan assets, are summarized in the table below:

Asset Class	Target			June 30, 2017	December 31, 2016	June 30, 2016
	Minimum	Average	Maximum			
Equity Securities	45%	50%	55%	50.4%	51.5%	48.5%
Debt Securities	45%	50%	55%	48.0%	46.7%	50.2%
Other <sup>(1)</sup>	0%	0%	10%	1.6%	1.8%	1.3%

<sup>(1)</sup>Consists of temporary cash investments, as well as receivables for investments sold and interest and payables for investments purchased, which have not settled as of that date.

### 401(k) Retirement Plan

Central Hudson sponsors a 401(k) plan for its employees. The 401(k) plan provides for employee tax-deferred salary deductions for participating employees and employer matches. The matching benefit varies by employee group. Central Hudson's matching contributions were \$1.2 million and \$1.1 million for the three months ended June 30, 2017 and 2016 and \$2.3 million and \$2.1 million for the six months ended June 30, 2017 and 2016, respectively. Central Hudson also provided an additional contribution of 4% for 2017 and 3% for 2016 to the 401(k) plan of annualized base salary for eligible employees who do not qualify for Central Hudson's Retirement Income Plan.

**NOTE 11 – Equity-Based Compensation****Share Unit Plan Units**

In January 2017, officers of CH Energy Group and Central Hudson were granted 55,076 Units under the Central Hudson 2017 Share Unit Plan (“2017 SUP”), representing the officers’ long-term incentives. Two-thirds of the issued 2017 SUP Units granted are performance based and vest at the end of the three-year performance period upon achievement of specified cumulative performance goals. The remaining 2017 SUP Units that were granted are time-based and vest at the end of the three-year period without regard to performance. Each SUP Unit granted has an underlying value equivalent to the value of one common share of Fortis and if earned and vested is paid in cash. The foreign exchange rate utilized for cash payout in the US dollar equivalent for each plan corresponds to the exchange rate on the business day prior to the date of that SUP Unit grant. Each SUP Unit accrues notional dividend equivalents equal to the dividends declared by the Fortis Board of Directors on Fortis common shares.

In January 2017, CH Energy Group granted 30,085 Units to an officer of CH Energy Group under a 2017 Performance Share Unit Plan (“2017 PSUP”). On April 1, 2016, CH Energy Group adopted a 2016 Performance Share Unit Plan (“2016 PSUP”) and issued 18,806 Units to an officer of CH Energy Group, collectively (“PSUP”). The PSUP Units are performance based and vest upon achievement of specified performance goals over the applicable three-year performance period. Each PSUP Unit has an underlying value equivalent to the value of one common share of Fortis and if earned and vested is paid in cash. The foreign exchange rate utilized for cash payout in the US dollar equivalent corresponds to the exchange rate on the business day prior to the date of the PSUP Unit grant. Each PSUP Unit accrues notional dividend equivalents equal to the dividends declared by the Fortis Board of Directors on Fortis common shares.

Officers of CH Energy Group and Central Hudson were granted Units under the Central Hudson 2016 (“2016 SUP”), 2015 (“2015 SUP”) and 2014 (“2014 SUP”) Share Unit Plans, representing the officers’ long-term incentives. Two-thirds of the 2016 and 2015 SUP Units granted are performance based and vest at the end of the three-year performance period upon achievement of specified cumulative performance goals. The remaining 2016 and 2015 SUP Units that were granted are time-based and vest at the end of the three-year period without regard to performance. The 2014 SUP Units were one-half performance based and vested at the end of the three year period upon achievement of specified cumulative performance goals over the three year period. The remaining 2014 SUP Units that were granted were time-based and vested at the end of the three year period without regard to performance. Awards granted under the 2014 SUP vested and were paid out during the second quarter of 2017. For all grants issued, each SUP Unit is equivalent to the value of one common share of Fortis and if earned and vested is paid in cash. The foreign exchange rate utilized for cash payout in the US dollar equivalent for each plan corresponds to the exchange rate on the business day prior to the date of that SUP Unit grant. Each SUP Unit accrues notional dividend equivalents equal to the dividends declared by the Fortis Board of Directors on Fortis common shares.

Notes to Quarterly Condensed Financial Statements (Unaudited)

CH Energy Group:	Grant Date		Time Based		Performance Based	
	Grant Date	Fair Value	Granted	Outstanding	Granted	Outstanding <sup>(4)</sup>
2017 PSUP	January 1, 2017	\$ 30.85	-	-	30,085	30,643
2016 PSUP <sup>(1)</sup>	April 1, 2016	\$ 31.00	-	-	18,806	19,889

Central Hudson:	Grant Date		Time Based		Performance Based	
	Grant Date	Fair Value	Granted	Outstanding <sup>(4)</sup>	Granted	Outstanding <sup>(4)</sup>
2017 SUP	January 1, 2017	\$ 30.85	18,359	18,699	36,717	37,398
2016 SUP <sup>(1), (3)</sup>	January 1, 2016	\$ 27.26	23,352	23,406	46,704	32,096
2015 SUP <sup>(3)</sup>	January 1, 2015	\$ 33.47	15,795	16,246	31,591	34,671
2014 SUP <sup>(2)</sup>	January 1, 2014	\$ 28.64	39,268	-	39,268	-

<sup>(1)</sup>Upon establishing the CH Energy Group 2016 PSUP on April 1, 2016, Central Hudson rescinded 16,356 Performance Units issued under Central Hudson's 2016 SUP, resulting in a reduction in the total number of units granted under the Central Hudson 2016 SUP from 70,056 to 53,700 Units.

<sup>(2)</sup>In the third quarter of 2014, 2,969 2014 SUP units were forfeited following the resignation of an Officer. In the second quarter of 2017, 84,567 units under the 2014 SUP vested and were paid out at \$39.04 per SUP unit for a total of approximately \$3.5 million. The performance conditions related to the awards granted under the 2014 SUP were exceeded over the three year period and were paid at a payout percentage of 106%.

<sup>(3)</sup>In the third quarter of 2016, per the 2015 and 2016 SUP agreement, 1,041 and 1,231 time based units were paid out related to an Officer who retired, at \$32.71 and \$27.47 per unit for approximately \$0.1 million.

<sup>(4)</sup>Includes notional dividends accrued as of June 30, 2017.

## Compensation Expense

The following table summarizes expense for share unit plan units for the three and six months ended June 30, 2017 and 2016 (In Thousands):

	Three Months Ended		Six Months Ended	
	June 30,		June 30,	
	2017	2016	2017	2016
CH Energy Group	\$ 836	\$ 432	\$ 2,068	\$ 1,787
Central Hudson	\$ 802	\$ 334	\$ 2,033	\$ 1,346

The liabilities associated with the SUP and PSUP plans are recorded at fair value at each reporting date until settlement, recognizing compensation expense over the vesting period on a straight line basis. The fair value of the respective liabilities are based on the Fortis common share 5 day volume weighted average trading price at the end of each reporting period and the expected payout based on management's best estimate in accordance with the defined metrics of each grant.

Under the SUP agreements, the amount of any outstanding awards payable to an employee who retires during the term of the grant and who has 25 years or more of service with the Company under the terms of the 2014 SUP or 15 years of service under the terms of the 2015, 2016 and 2017 SUP plans is determined as if the employee continued to be an employee through the end of the performance period. In accordance with ASU 2014-12, in this situation, compensation expense for that individual is recognized over the requisite service period, instead of the performance period. In addition, in 2016 and 2017, additional expense was recognized in accordance with ASU 2014-12 for Central Hudson officers who are retirement eligible under terms of the SUP agreement in which they have attained the required retirement age and met the required 15 years of service.

## **Employee Share Purchase Plan**

Effective May 17, 2017, the Company adopted the Fortis Amended and Restated 2012 Employee Share Purchase Plan (“ESPP”). The total number of shares of Fortis common stock authorized under the ESPP is 600,000 shares. The ESPP allows eligible employees of Fortis and adopting subsidiaries to contribute during any investment period an amount not less than 1% and not more than 10% of their eligible compensation to purchase Fortis’ common shares. Under the ESPP, employees are entitled to fund contributions through interest free loans from the Company. At June 30, 2017, employee loans due to the Company related to the ESPP amounted to approximately \$0.2 million.

The ESPP provides that the Company will contribute as additional salary an amount equal to 10% of an employee’s contribution to a maximum contribution of 1% of eligible compensation. The Company will also contribute an amount equal to 10% of all dividends payable to Fortis on all common stock allocated to an employee’s ESPP account. Common shares are purchased under the ESPP concurrent with the quarterly dividend payment dates of March 1, June 1, September 1 and December 1. The cost of Central Hudson’s contribution for the three and six months ended June 30, 2017 is approximately \$0.02 million.

## ***NOTE 12 – Commitments and Contingencies***

There were no material changes in the nature and amounts of Central Hudson’s commitments from those disclosed in the 2016 Annual Financial Report, except as noted below.

### **Electricity Purchase Commitments**

Central Hudson meets its capacity and electricity obligations through contracts with capacity and energy providers, purchases from the New York State Independent System Operator (“NYISO”) energy and capacity markets and its own generating capacity.

In 2016, Central Hudson entered into an agreement with Entergy Nuclear Power Marketing, LLC (“Entergy”) to purchase electricity, on a unit contingent basis at defined prices, from December 1, 2016 through March 31, 2017. Energy supplied under this agreement cost approximately \$3.3 million, of which \$2.7 million related to the first quarter of 2017. This contract expired on March 31, 2017 and was not renewed.

In 2015, Central Hudson entered into agreements with Entergy to purchase electricity on a unit contingent basis at defined prices from December 1, 2015 through March 31, 2016 and from June 1, 2016 through August 31, 2016. Energy supplied under these agreements cost approximately \$0.2 million in the second quarter of 2016 and \$7.4 million for the first half of 2016.

In November 2013, Central Hudson entered into a contract to purchase installed capacity from the Roseton Generating Facility from May 2014 through April 2017. This contract expired on April 30, 2017 and was not renewed. In June 2014, Central Hudson entered into a contract to purchase available installed capacity from the Danskammer Generating Facility from October 2014 through August 2018 with approximately \$35.1 million in purchase commitments remaining as of June 30, 2017.

## **Other Commitments**

### *Capital Expenditures*

Central Hudson is a regulated utility and, as such, is obligated to provide service to customers within its service territory. Central Hudson's capital expenditures are largely driven by the need to ensure continued and enhanced performance, reliability and safety of the electric and natural gas systems and to meet customer growth. Central Hudson's capital expenditure program is forecasted to be approximately \$176.8 million for 2017.

## **Other Commitments**

### *Pension Benefit and Other Post Retirement Benefit Funding Contributions*

Central Hudson is required to meet its contractual benefit payment obligations. Decisions about how to fund the Retirement Plan to meet these obligations are made annually and are primarily affected by the discount rate used to determine benefit obligations, current asset values, corporate resources and the projection of Retirement Plan assets. Based on the funding requirements of the Pension Protection Act, Central Hudson plans to make contributions that maintain the funded percentage at 80% or higher. In January 2017, Central Hudson made contributions of \$13.0 million and \$1.5 million to the Retirement Plan and OPEB Plan, respectively.

### *Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan*

As a result of the acquisition of CH Energy Group, Inc. by Fortis Inc. on June 27, 2013, in accordance with the terms of the Trust agreement for the SERP, Central Hudson is required to maintain a funding level at 110% of the present value of the accrued benefits payable under the Plan on an annual basis. During the first quarter of 2017, Central Hudson made a \$0.7 million contribution to the SERP.

### *Parental Guarantee*

CHET was established to be an investor in Transco, which was created to develop, own and operate electric transmission projects in New York State. In December 2014, Transco filed an application with the FERC for the recovery through a formula rate, the cost of and a return on five high voltage transmission projects totaling \$1.7 billion. CHET's maximum commitment for these five projects is \$182 million, which is the maximum budgeted amount for these projects at 100% equity. As of June 30, 2017, CHET's investment in Transco was approximately \$7.3 million.

CH Energy Group issued a parental guarantee to Transco to assure the payment of CHET's maximum commitment of \$182 million. As of June 30, 2017, management is not aware of any existing condition that would require any payments under this guarantee.



## Contingencies

### Environmental Matters

#### *Central Hudson*

- Site Investigation and Remediation Program

Central Hudson has been notified by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (“DEC”) that it believes Central Hudson or its predecessors at one time owned and/or operated manufactured gas plants (“MGPs”) to serve their customers’ heating and lighting needs, at seven sites in Central Hudson’s franchise territory. The DEC has further requested that Central Hudson investigate and, if necessary, remediate these sites under a Consent Order, Voluntary Cleanup Agreement (“VCA”), or Brownfield Cleanup Agreement. The DEC has placed all seven of these sites on the New York State Environmental Site Remediation Database. Central Hudson is performing environmental SIR at two other non-MGP sites within its service territory.

Central Hudson accrues for remediation costs based on the amounts that can be reasonably estimated at a point in time. As of June 30, 2017, Central Hudson has accrued \$54.3 million with respect to SIR activities, including operation, maintenance and monitoring costs (“OM&M”), of which \$18.9 million is anticipated to be spent in the next twelve months. Based on a cost model analysis, Central Hudson believes there is a 90% confidence level that the total costs to remediate SIR sites will not exceed \$168.7 million over the next 30 years.

SIR can be divided into various stages of completion based on the milestones of activities completed and reports reviewed. These stages, the types of costs accrued during various stages and the sites currently in each stage include:

1. *Investigation* – Begins with preliminary investigations and is completed upon filing and approval by DEC of a Remedial Investigation (“RI”) Report. Central Hudson accrues for estimated investigation costs.
2. *Remedial Alternatives Analysis (“RAA”)* – Engineering analysis of alternatives for remediation based on the RI is compiled into a RAA Report. Upon completion of the RAA and the filing with the DEC, management accrues for an estimate of remediation costs developed and quantified in the RAA based on DEC approved methods, as well as an estimate of post-remediation OM&M. These amounts represent a significant portion of the total costs to remediate and are subject to change based on further investigations, final remedial design and associated engineering estimates, regulatory comments and requests, remedial design changes/negotiations and changed or unforeseen conditions during the remediation or additional requirements following the remediation. Prior to the completion of the RAA, management cannot reasonably estimate what cost will be incurred for remediation or post-remediation activities.
3. *Remedial Design* - Upon approval of the RAA and final decision of remediation approach based on alternatives presented, a Remedial Design (“RD”) or Remedial Action Work Plan (“RAWP”) is developed and filed with the DEC for approval.

➤ **Site #5 – North Water Street – RD in Progress**

- The DEC issued a Decision Document in March 2016 and approved the RAA Report in April 2016.
- Central Hudson executed a “Design-Build” contract with an Environmental Engineering Firm (“EEF”) in March 2017. Pre-Design Investigation (“PDI”) and RD activities commenced in May 2017 with full-scale remediation commencing in late 2017 or early 2018 pending receipt of required regulatory approvals and permits (including restrictive permit work windows).
- During the first quarter of 2017, there was a reduction of approximately \$14.2 million in the accrual as a result of third party bids received for estimated remediation costs which were significantly lower than the amounts anticipated in the Cost Model Study.
- Approximately \$47.1 million has been accrued as of June 30, 2017, based on the scope of work and cost estimate developed for remediation and OM&M activities, of which \$16.4 million is expected to be spent in the next twelve months.

➤ **Site # 8 - Eltings Corners – RAWP in Progress**

- In June 2016, the DEC finalized the Permit Modification to the facility’s Hazardous Waste Storage Permit. Central Hudson will submit for approval, a RAWP that details the implementation of the proposed remediation work activities. PDI activities were completed during the second quarter of 2017. Once the results from those activities are fully evaluated, it is likely that there may be an adjustment to the original cost estimate for remediation given that it appears the areal extent of impacts may have increased. The level of adjustment is not yet known. Preparation and submittal of the RAWP is anticipated to occur during the third quarter of 2017.
- Approximately \$2.2 million has been accrued as of June 30, 2017, based on the scope of work and cost estimate developed for remediation and OM&M activities and is expected to be spent in the next twelve months.

4. *Remediation* – Completion of the work plan as defined in the approved RD. Upon completion, final reports are filed with the DEC for approval and may include a Construction Completion Report (“CCR”), Final Engineering Report (“FER”), or other reports required by the DEC based on the work performed.

5. *Post-Remediation Monitoring* – Entails the OM&M as directed by the DEC based on the approved final report of remediation. The activities are typically defined in a Site Management Plan (“SMP”), which is approved by the DEC. The extent of activities during this phase may increase or decrease based on the results of ongoing monitoring being performed and future potential usage of the property.

➤ **Site #2 – Newburgh Area A – CCR and SMP in Progress**

- In 2012, Central Hudson retired and removed propane air facilities located on Area A. The RAWP for this site was approved by the DEC in June 2015 and remedial activities were completed between October 2015 and January 2016.
- The CCR for Area A and draft SMP were resubmitted in June 2017 at the request of the DEC for review and approval. In addition, the Environmental Easement for Area A was executed with the DEC and filed with the Orange County Clerk in March 2017.

- **Site #2 – Newburgh Area B and C** – Post-Remediation In Progress
  - At the request of the DEC, a CCR associated with the remedial activities completed in Areas B & C and a draft SMP related to Area B were resubmitted for review and approval in June 2017.
  
- **Site #3 – Laurel Street** – Post-Remediation In Progress
  - In accordance with the January 2015 SMP, an annual site inspection documenting the status of the Engineering Controls (“ECs”) and the Institutional Controls (“ICs”), was performed in April 2017. No actionable findings were noted and the required Periodic Review Report (“PRR”), summarizing the status of the ECs and ICs, was submitted to the DEC for review in April 2017.
  - In October 2016, as per the request of the DEC, a revised/updated Site Management Plan was submitted for review and approval.
  - In November 2016, Central Hudson received a letter from the DEC stating that the Voluntary Cleanup Program will be terminated in March 2018. Central Hudson is currently working with the DEC to receive a Release Letter for this site prior to the termination of the program.
  
- **Site #4 – Catskill** – Post-Remediation In Progress
  - In accordance with the December 2014 SMP, an annual site inspection documenting the status of the ECs and ICs was performed in April 2017. No actionable findings were noted and the required PRR summarizing the results was submitted to the DEC for review in April 2017.
  
- **Site #6 – Kingston** – Post-Remediation In Progress
  - The RD Report was approved by the DEC in January 2016. A remedial construction “Design-Build” contract was executed with an EEF in February 2016. A revised Remedial Work Plan (“RWP”) and required permit packages were submitted for regulatory agency review and were approved in June 2016.
  - Site preparation and remedial activities commenced in March and May 2016, respectively. Remedial restoration activities were completed in June 2017.
  - A 401 Water Quality Certification permit and State Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Equivalent permit were issued by the DEC in July 2016. Additionally, a Nationwide Permit No. 38 was issued by the United States Army Corps of Engineers in August 2016.
  - Approximately \$2.5 million has been accrued as of June 30, 2017 based on the scope of work and estimated costs for OM&M activities, of which \$0.1 million is expected to be spent over the next twelve months.

– *No Action Required*

- **Site #1 – Beacon** – No further costs are expected and no amounts are accrued related to this site. If the building at this site were to be removed, further investigation and testing would be required related to the soil under the building, which may require additional remediation. Management cannot currently estimate the likelihood of the building being removed or the costs that may be incurred related to this.

- **Site #7 – Bayeaux Street** – No further investigation or remedial action is currently required. However, per the DEC, this site still remains on the list for potential future investigation.
- **Site #9 – Little Britain Road** - In November 2016 Central Hudson received a letter from the DEC stating that the Voluntary Cleanup Program will be terminated in March 2018. As recommended by the DEC, Central Hudson completed a survey of the site monitoring wells, developed remaining wells and collected groundwater samples for laboratory analysis in May 2017. The results of the sampling event will be submitted to the DEC for review with a recommendation on the next course of action.

Future remediation activities, including OM&M and related costs may vary significantly from the assumptions used in Central Hudson's current cost estimates and these costs could have a material adverse effect (the extent of which cannot be reasonably determined) on the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of CH Energy Group and Central Hudson if Central Hudson were unable to recover all or a substantial portion of these costs via collection in rates from customers and/or through insurance.

Central Hudson expects to recover its remediation costs from its customers. The current components of this recovery include:

- As part of the 2015 Rate Order, Central Hudson maintained previously granted deferral authority and future recovery for the differences between actual Environmental SIR costs (both MGP and non-MGP) and the associated rate allowances, with carrying charges to be accrued on the deferred balances at the authorized pre-tax rate of return.
- The 2015 Rate Order includes cash recovery of approximately \$18.9 million during the three-year rate plan period ending June 30, 2018, with \$12.5 million recovered through June 30, 2017.
- The total spent in the three and six months ended June 30, 2017 and 2016 related to site investigation and remediation, was approximately \$1.0 million and \$2.6 million and \$3.5 million and \$3.3 million, respectively.
- The regulatory asset balance as of June 30, 2017, December 31, 2016 and June 30, 2016, was \$61.3 million, \$79.5 million and \$83.5 million, respectively, which represents the cumulative difference between amounts spent or currently accrued as a liability and the amounts recovered to date through rates or insurance recoveries, plus carrying charges accrued on deferred balances.

Central Hudson has put its insurers on notice and intends to seek reimbursement from its insurers for its costs. Certain of these insurers have denied coverage. There were no insurance recoveries in the first six months of 2017 or 2016. We do not expect insurance recoveries to offset a meaningful portion of total costs.

### **Other Environmental Matters**

On April 17, 2017, Central Hudson received a Request for Information from the United States Environmental Protection Agency pursuant to the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act, regarding the Wappingers Creek Superfund Site in Wappinger Falls, NY. Central Hudson is currently evaluating the request and intends to

respond during the third quarter of 2017. The Company cannot predict the outcome of, or assess the extent of liability, if any, relating to this matter.

## **Litigation**

### *Asbestos Litigation*

Central Hudson is involved in various asbestos lawsuits.

As of June 30, 2017, of the 3,365 asbestos cases brought against Central Hudson, 1,175 remain pending. Of the cases no longer pending against Central Hudson, 2,034 have been dismissed or discontinued without payment by Central Hudson and Central Hudson has settled 156 cases. Central Hudson is presently unable to assess the validity of the remaining asbestos lawsuits; however, based on information known to Central Hudson at this time, including Central Hudson's experience in settling asbestos cases and in obtaining dismissals of asbestos cases, Central Hudson believes that the costs which may be incurred in connection with the remaining lawsuits will not have a material adverse effect on the financial position, results of operations or cash flows of either CH Energy Group or Central Hudson.

### *Other Litigation*

CH Energy Group and Central Hudson are involved in various other legal and administrative proceedings incidental to their businesses, which are in various stages. While these matters collectively could involve substantial amounts, based on the facts currently known, it is the opinion of management that their ultimate resolution will not have a material adverse effect on either CH Energy Group's or Central Hudson's financial positions, results of operations or cash flows.

CH Energy Group and Central Hudson expense legal costs as incurred.

## **NOTE 13 – Segments and Related Information**

CH Energy Group's reportable operating segments are the regulated electric utility business and regulated natural gas utility business of Central Hudson. Other activities of CH Energy Group, which do not constitute a business segment, include CHEC's remaining energy investments, CHET's investment in Transco (a regulated entity) and the holding company's activities, which consist primarily of financing its subsidiaries, and are reported under the heading "Other Businesses and Investments."

Central Hudson's operations are seasonal in nature and weather-sensitive and, as a result, financial results for interim periods are not necessarily indicative of trends for a twelve-month period. Demand for electricity typically peaks during the summer, while demand for natural gas typically peaks during the winter.

General corporate expenses and Central Hudson's property common to both electric and natural gas segments have been allocated in accordance with practices established for regulatory purposes. The common allocation per the terms of the 2015 Rate Order is 80% for electric and 20% for gas.

**CH Energy Group Segment Disclosure**

(In Thousands)

Three Months Ended June 30, 2017

	Segments		Other		Total
	Central Hudson		Businesses and		
	Electric	Natural Gas	Investments	Eliminations	
Revenues from external customers	\$ 124,999	\$ 28,254	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 153,253
Intersegment revenues	5	45	-	(50)	-
Total revenues	125,004	28,299	-	(50)	153,253
Energy supply costs	39,468	8,323	-	(50)	47,741
Operating expenses	60,119	14,622	112	-	74,853
Depreciation and amortization	9,765	2,889	-	-	12,654
Operating income (loss)	15,652	2,465	(112)	-	18,005
Other income, net	1,107	43	342	-	1,492
Finance charges	5,805	1,823	283	-	7,911
Income before income taxes	10,954	685	(53)	-	11,586
Income tax expense	13,790 <sup>(1)</sup>	(9,271) <sup>(1)</sup>	(7)	-	4,512
Net Income Attributable to CH Energy Group	\$ (2,836)	\$ 9,956	\$ (46)	\$ -	\$ 7,074
Segment Assets at June 30, 2017	\$ 1,447,667	\$ 495,457	\$ 13,423	\$ (802)	\$ 1,955,745

(1) Includes reclassification of \$9.7 million in deferred taxes between electric and gas segments due to prior year allocation change within the segments.

**CH Energy Group Segment Disclosure**

(In Thousands)

Six Months Ended June 30, 2017

	Segments		Other		Total
	Central Hudson		Businesses and		
	Electric	Natural Gas	Investments	Eliminations	
Revenues from external customers	\$ 260,545	\$ 87,687	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 348,232
Intersegment revenues	12	161	-	(173)	-
Total revenues	260,557	87,848	-	(173)	348,232
Energy supply costs	80,948	31,155	-	(173)	111,930
Operating expenses	124,313	33,398	183	-	157,894
Depreciation and amortization	19,564	5,781	-	-	25,345
Operating income (loss)	35,732	17,514	(183)	-	53,063
Other income, net	2,043	98	715	-	2,856
Finance charges	11,603	3,691	569	-	15,863
Income before income taxes	26,172	13,921	(37)	-	40,056
Income tax expense	19,425 <sup>(1)</sup>	(3,767) <sup>(1)</sup>	9	-	15,667
Net Income Attributable to CH Energy Group	\$ 6,747	\$ 17,688	\$ (46)	\$ -	\$ 24,389
Segment Assets at June 30, 2017	\$ 1,447,667	\$ 495,457	\$ 13,423	\$ (802)	\$ 1,955,745

(1) Includes reclassification of \$9.7 million in deferred taxes between electric and gas segments due to prior year allocation change within the segments.

**CH Energy Group Segment Disclosure**

(In Thousands)

Three Months Ended June 30, 2016

	Segments		Other		Total
	Central Hudson		Businesses and Investments	Eliminations	
	Electric	Natural Gas			
Revenues from external customers	\$ 117,000	\$ 26,637	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 143,637
Intersegment revenues	4	39	-	(43)	-
Total revenues	117,004	26,676	-	(43)	143,637
Energy supply costs	35,525	5,564	-	(43)	41,046
Operating expenses	55,252	13,969	340	-	69,561
Depreciation and amortization	8,938	2,570	-	-	11,508
Operating income (loss)	17,289	4,573	(340)	-	21,522
Other income (expense), net	797	90	41	-	928
Finance charges	5,607	1,674	312	-	7,593
Income (loss) before income taxes	12,479	2,989	(611)	-	14,857
Income tax expense (benefit)	4,603	1,292	(219)	-	5,676
Net Income (Loss) Attributable to CH Energy Group	\$ 7,876	\$ 1,697	\$ (392)	\$ -	\$ 9,181
Segment Assets at June 30, 2016	\$ 1,440,733	\$ 457,488	\$ 13,256	\$ (2,098)	\$ 1,909,379

**CH Energy Group Segment Disclosure**

(In Thousands)

Six Months Ended June 30, 2016

	Segments		Other		Total
	Central Hudson		Businesses and Investments	Eliminations	
	Electric	Natural Gas			
Revenues from external customers	\$ 246,574	\$ 78,478	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 325,052
Intersegment revenues	7	123	-	(130)	-
Total revenues	246,581	78,601	-	(130)	325,052
Energy supply costs	77,071	22,798	-	(130)	99,739
Operating expenses	114,357	30,924	780	-	146,061
Depreciation and amortization	17,840	5,139	-	-	22,979
Operating income (loss)	37,313	19,740	(780)	-	56,273
Other income (expense), net	1,665	111	(136)	(2)	1,638
Finance charges	11,423	3,350	620	(2)	15,391
Income (loss) before income taxes	27,555	16,501	(1,536)	-	42,520
Income tax expense (benefit)	10,088	6,955	(440)	-	16,603
Net Income (Loss) Attributable to CH Energy Group	\$ 17,467	\$ 9,546	\$ (1,096)	\$ -	\$ 25,917
Segment Assets at June 30, 2016	\$ 1,440,733	\$ 457,488	\$ 13,256	\$ (2,098)	\$ 1,909,379

**NOTE 14 - Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities**

Central Hudson enters into derivative contracts in conjunction with the Company's energy risk management program to hedge certain risk exposure related to its business operations. The primary risks the Company seeks to manage by using derivative instruments are interest rate risk, commodity price risk and adverse or unexpected weather conditions. Derivative transactions are not used for speculative purposes.

**Energy Contracts Subject to Regulatory Deferral**

Central Hudson has been authorized to fully recover certain risk management costs through its natural gas and electricity cost adjustment charge clauses. Risk management costs are defined by the PSC as costs associated with transactions that are intended to reduce price volatility or reduce overall costs to customers. These costs include transaction costs and gains and losses associated with risk management instruments. The related gains and losses associated with Central Hudson's derivatives are included as part of Central Hudson's commodity cost and/or price-reconciled in its natural gas and electricity cost adjustment charge clauses and are not designated as hedges.

The percentage of Central Hudson's electric and gas requirements covered with fixed price forward purchases at June 30, 2017 are as follows:

Central Hudson	% of Requirement Hedged <sup>(1)</sup>
Electric Derivative Contracts:	1.7 million MWh
July 2017 – December 2017	44.6%
2018	30.8%
2019	18.7%
Natural Gas Derivative Contracts:	1.3 million Dth
November 2017 – March 2018	23.0%

(1) Projected coverage as of June 30, 2017.

**Cash Flow Hedges**

Central Hudson has been authorized to fully recover the interest costs associated with its \$33.7 million Series B NYSEERDA Bonds and, beginning July 1, 2015, its other \$30.0 million of variable rate debt, which includes costs and gains or losses associated with its interest rate cap contracts.

**Derivative Risks**

The basic types of risks associated with derivatives are market risk (that the value of the derivative will be adversely impacted by changes in the market, primarily the change in commodity prices and interest rates) and credit risk (that the counterparty will not perform according to the terms of the contract). The market risk of the derivatives generally offsets the market risk associated with the hedged commodity.

The majority of Central Hudson's derivative instruments contain provisions that require Central Hudson to maintain specified issuer credit ratings and financial strength ratings. Should Central Hudson's ratings fall below these specified levels, it would be in violation of the



provisions and the derivatives counterparties could terminate the contracts and request immediate payment.

To help limit the credit exposure of derivatives, Central Hudson enters into master netting agreements with counterparties whereby contracts in a gain position can be offset against contracts in a loss position. Of the nineteen total agreements held by Central Hudson, nine contain contingent features. As of June 30, 2017, \$4.3 million would be required to settle these instruments if the contingent features were triggered.

## Derivative Contracts

CH Energy Group and Central Hudson have elected gross presentation for their derivative contracts under master netting agreements and collateral positions. On June 30, 2017, December 31, 2016 and June 30, 2016, Central Hudson did not have collateral posted against the fair value amount of derivatives.

The net presentation for CH Energy Group's and Central Hudson's derivative assets and liabilities as of June 30, 2017, December 31, 2016 and June 30, 2016 are as follows (In Thousands):

Description	Gross Amounts of Recognized Assets	Gross Amounts Offset in the Statement of Financial Position	Net Amount of Assets Presented in the Statement of Financial Position	Gross Amounts Not Offset in the Statement of Financial Position		
				Financial Instruments	Cash Collateral Received	Net Amount
<b>As of June 30, 2017</b>						
Derivative Contracts:						
Central Hudson - natural gas	\$ 21	\$ -	\$ 21	\$ 21	\$ -	\$ -
Total CH Energy Group and Central Hudson Assets	<u>\$ 21</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 21</u>	<u>\$ 21</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
<b>As of December 31, 2016</b>						
Derivative Contracts:						
Central Hudson - electric	\$ 2,454	\$ -	\$ 2,454	\$ 1,674	\$ -	\$ 780
Central Hudson - natural gas	857	-	857	-	-	857
Total CH Energy Group and Central Hudson Assets	<u>\$ 3,311</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 3,311</u>	<u>\$ 1,674</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 1,637</u>
<b>As of June 30, 2016</b>						
Derivative Contracts:						
Central Hudson - electric	\$ 2,398	\$ -	\$ 2,398	\$ 2,396	\$ -	\$ 2
Central Hudson - natural gas	553	-	553	-	-	553
Total CH Energy Group and Central Hudson Assets	<u>\$ 2,951</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 2,951</u>	<u>\$ 2,396</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 555</u>

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Description	Gross Amounts of Recognized Liabilities	Gross Amounts Offset in the Statement of Financial Position	Net Amount of Liabilities Presented in the Statement of Financial Position	Gross Amounts Not Offset in the Statement of Financial Position		
				Financial Instruments	Cash Collateral Received	Net Amount
As of June 30, 2017						
Derivative Contracts:						
Central Hudson - electric	\$ 8,060	\$ -	\$ 8,060	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 8,060
Central Hudson - natural gas	169	-	169	21	-	148
Total CH Energy Group and Central Hudson Assets	<u>\$ 8,229</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 8,229</u>	<u>\$ 21</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 8,208</u>
As of December 31, 2016						
Derivative Contracts:						
Central Hudson - electric	\$ 1,942	\$ -	\$ 1,942	\$ 1,674	\$ -	\$ 268
Total CH Energy Group and Central Hudson Assets	<u>\$ 1,942</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 1,942</u>	<u>\$ 1,674</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 268</u>
As of June 30, 2016						
Derivative Contracts:						
Central Hudson - electric	\$ 5,047	\$ -	\$ 5,047	\$ 2,396	\$ -	\$ 2,651
Total CH Energy Group and Central Hudson Assets	<u>\$ 5,047</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 5,047</u>	<u>\$ 2,396</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 2,651</u>

### Gross Fair Value of Derivative Instruments

Current accounting guidance related to fair value measurements establishes a fair value hierarchy to prioritize the inputs used in valuation techniques based on observable and unobservable data, but not the valuation techniques themselves. Observable inputs are inputs that reflect the assumptions market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability. Unobservable inputs are inputs that reflect the reporting entity's own assumptions about the assumptions market participants would use in pricing an asset or a liability. Classification of inputs is determined based on the lowest level input that is significant to the overall valuation. The fair value hierarchy prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques into the three categories described below:

*Level 1 Inputs:* Quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities.

*Level 2 Inputs:* Directly or indirectly observable (market-based) information. This includes quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets and quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in markets that are not active.

*Level 3 Inputs:* Unobservable inputs for the asset or liability for which there is either no market data, or for which asset and liability values are not correlated with market value.

Derivative contracts are measured at fair value on a recurring basis. As of June 30, 2017, December 31, 2016 and June 30, 2016, CH Energy Group's and Central Hudson's derivative assets and liabilities by category and hierarchy level are as follows (In Thousands):

Asset or Liability Category	Fair Value	Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)	Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)	Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)
<b>As of June 30, 2017<sup>(1)</sup></b>				
<b>Assets:</b>				
<b>Derivative Contracts:</b>				
Central Hudson - natural gas	\$ 21	\$ 21	\$ -	\$ -
Total CH Energy Group and Central Hudson Assets	\$ 21	\$ 21	\$ -	\$ -
<b>Liabilities:</b>				
<b>Derivative Contracts:</b>				
Central Hudson - electric <sup>1</sup>	\$ 8,060	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 8,060
Central Hudson - natural gas	169	169	-	-
Total CH Energy Group and Central Hudson Liabilities	\$ 8,229	\$ 169	\$ -	\$ 8,060
<b>As of December 31, 2016<sup>(1)</sup></b>				
<b>Assets:</b>				
<b>Derivative Contracts:</b>				
Central Hudson - electric	\$ 2,454	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,454
Central Hudson - natural gas	857	857	-	-
Total CH Energy Group and Central Hudson Assets	\$ 3,311	\$ 857	\$ -	\$ 2,454
<b>Liabilities:</b>				
<b>Derivative Contracts:</b>				
Central Hudson - electric	\$ 1,942	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,942
Total CH Energy Group and Central Hudson Liabilities	\$ 1,942	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,942
<b>As of June 30, 2016<sup>(1)</sup></b>				
<b>Assets:</b>				
<b>Derivative Contracts:</b>				
Central Hudson - electric	\$ 2,398	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,398
Central Hudson - natural gas	553	553	-	-
Total CH Energy Group and Central Hudson Assets	\$ 2,951	\$ 553	\$ -	\$ 2,398
<b>Liabilities:</b>				
<b>Derivative Contracts:</b>				
Central Hudson - electric	\$ 5,047	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,047
Total CH Energy Group and Central Hudson Liabilities	\$ 5,047	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,047

(1) Interest rate cap agreements are not shown in the above chart. These are classified as Level 2 in the fair value hierarchy using SIFMA Municipal Swap Curves and 3 month US Dollar Libor rate forward curves. As of June 30, 2017, December 31, 2016 and June 30, 2016 the fair value was \$0.

Central Hudson obtains forward pricing for Level 3 derivatives from an independent third party provider of derivative pricing. Significant unobservable inputs utilized in their pricing model are bi-lateral contracts and projected activity of certain major participants.

The table listed below provides a reconciliation of the beginning and ending net balances for assets and liabilities measured at fair value and classified as Level 3 in the fair value hierarchy (In Thousands):

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2017	2016	2017	2016
Balance at Beginning of Period	\$ (6,886)	\$ (17,484)	\$ 512	\$ (8,410)
Unrealized gains/(losses)	(1,174)	14,835	(8,572)	5,761
Realized losses	(3,419)	(4,594)	(8,284)	(12,310)
Purchases	-	-	-	-
Issuances	-	-	-	-
Sales and settlements	3,419	4,594	8,284	12,310
Transfers in and/or out of Level 3	-	-	-	-
Balance at End of Period	\$ (8,060)	\$ (2,649)	\$ (8,060)	\$ (2,649)
The amount of total gains or losses for the period included in earnings attributable to the change in unrealized gains or losses relating to derivatives still held at end of period	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

There were no transfers into or out of Levels 1 or 2.

### The Effect of Derivative Instruments on the Statements of Income

Realized gains and losses on Central Hudson's derivative instruments are conveyed to or recovered from customers through PSC authorized deferral accounting mechanisms, with no material impact on cash flows, results of operations or liquidity. Realized gains and losses on Central Hudson's energy derivative instruments are reported as part of purchased natural gas, purchased electricity and fuel used in electric generation in CH Energy Group's and Central Hudson's Statements of Income as the corresponding amounts are either recovered from or returned to customers through fuel cost adjustment clauses in revenues.

For the three and six months ended June 30, 2017 and 2016, neither CH Energy Group nor Central Hudson had derivatives designated as hedging instruments. The following table summarizes the effects of CH Energy Group and Central Hudson derivatives on the Statements of Income (In Thousands):

	Amount Recognized as Increase/(Decrease) in the Statement of Income				Location of Gain (Loss)
	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,		
	2017	2016	2017	2016	
Central Hudson:					
Electricity swap contracts	\$ (3,419)	\$ (4,594)	\$ (8,284)	\$ (12,310)	Deferred purchased electric and natural gas costs <sup>(1)</sup>
Natural gas swap contracts	-	-	353	(1,273)	Deferred purchased electric and natural gas costs <sup>(1)</sup>
Total CH Energy Group and Central Hudson	\$ (3,419)	\$ (4,594)	\$ (7,931)	\$ (13,583)	

- (1) Realized gains and losses on Central Hudson's derivative instruments are conveyed to or recovered from customers through PSC authorized deferral accounting mechanisms related to commodity costs, with an offset in revenue and on the balance sheet, and no net impact on results of operations.

## **Other Hedging Activities**

### ***Central Hudson – Electric***

On September 23, 2016, Central Hudson entered into a weather option for the period December 1, 2016 through March 31, 2017, to hedge the effect of significant variances in weather conditions on electricity costs. For Central Hudson, this transaction impacted purchased electric expense and revenue, but did not have a net income impact due to the full deferral authority over commodity costs through its electric cost adjustment charge clause. The aggregate limit on the contract was \$5 million. This contract was accounted for in accordance with guidance specific to accounting for weather derivatives. The premium paid was amortized to purchased electricity over the term of the contract and the \$0.6 million payout earned was recorded as a reduction to purchased electricity in the Statement of Income, with \$0.4 million recognized in the first quarter of 2017.

In 2015, Central Hudson entered into a similar weather option for the period December 15, 2015 through March 15, 2016. The aggregate limit on the contract was \$10 million. The premium paid was amortized to purchased electricity over the term of the contract and payouts of \$0.5 million were recorded as a reduction to purchased electricity in the Statement of Income in the first quarter of 2016.

### ***Central Hudson – Natural Gas***

On September 7, 2016, Central Hudson entered into a weather option for the period December 1, 2016 through March 31, 2017, to hedge the effect of significant variances in weather conditions and price on natural gas costs. For Central Hudson, this transaction impacted purchased natural gas expense and revenue, but did not have a net income impact due to the full deferral authority over commodity costs through its natural gas cost adjustment charge clause. The aggregate limit on the contract was \$5 million. The terms of this contract included both a weather and natural gas price trigger. However, management believed weather was the predominant trigger for any payout that would have been earned under the contract. Therefore, this contract was accounted for in accordance with guidance specific to accounting for weather derivatives. The premium paid was amortized to purchased natural gas over the term of the contract. There were no payouts on the settlement of the contract.

In 2015, Central Hudson entered into a similar weather option for the period December 1, 2015 through March 31, 2016. The aggregate limit on the contract was \$10 million. The premium paid was amortized to purchased gas over the term of the contract and there were no associated payouts on the contract.

**NOTE 15 – Other Fair Value Measurements****Other Assets Recorded at Fair Value**

In addition to the derivatives reported at fair value discussed in Note 14 – “Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities”, CH Energy Group and Central Hudson report certain other assets at fair value in the Condensed Balance Sheets. The following table summarizes the amount reported at fair value related to these assets as of June 30, 2017, December 31, 2016 and June 30, 2016 (In Thousands):

	Fair Value	Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)	Significant Observable Inputs (Level 2)	Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)
<b>As of June 30, 2017:</b>				
Other Investments	\$ 9,543	\$ 9,543	\$ -	\$ -
<b>As of December 31, 2016:</b>				
Other Investments	\$ 8,602	\$ 8,602	\$ -	\$ -
<b>As of June 30, 2016:</b>				
Other Investments	\$ 8,854	\$ 8,854	\$ -	\$ -

As of June 30, 2017, December 31, 2016 and June 30, 2016, a portion of the trust assets for the funding of SERP and as of December 31, 2016 for the funding of the Central Hudson Gas & Electric Corporation Deferred Compensation Plan were invested in mutual funds and money market accounts, which are measured at fair value on a recurring basis. These investments are valued at quoted market prices in active markets and, as such, are Level 1 investments as defined in the fair value hierarchy. These amounts are included in “Other investments” within the Deferred Charges and Other Assets section of the CH Energy Group Condensed Consolidated and Central Hudson Condensed Balance Sheets.

**Other Fair Value Disclosure**

Financial instruments are recorded at carrying value in the financial statements, however, the fair value of these instruments are disclosed below in accordance with current accounting guidance related to financial instruments.

The following methods and assumptions were used to estimate the fair value of each class of financial instruments for which it is practicable to estimate that value:

*Cash and Cash Equivalents:* Carrying amount.

*Short-Term Borrowings:* Carrying amount.

Due to the short-term nature (typically one month or less) of these borrowings, the carrying value is equivalent to the current fair market value.

*Long-term Debt:* Quoted market prices for the same or similar issues (Level 2).

Valuations were obtained for each issue using the observed Treasury market in conjunction with secondary market trading levels and recent new issuances of comparable companies.

The following table discloses the estimated fair value of both CH Energy Group and Central Hudson's long-term debt, including the current portion, as follows (In Thousands):

**CH Energy Group**

	June 30, 2017		December 31, 2016		June 30, 2016	
	Carrying Value	Fair Value	Carrying Value	Fair Value	Carrying Value	Fair Value
Fixed rate debt	\$ 524,340	\$ 590,466	\$ 525,031	\$ 581,099	\$ 495,700	\$ 584,088
Variable rate debt	63,700	63,700	63,700	63,700	63,700	63,700
Total	<u>\$ 588,040</u>	<u>\$ 654,166</u>	<u>\$ 588,731</u>	<u>\$ 644,799</u>	<u>\$ 559,400</u>	<u>\$ 647,788</u>
Estimated effective interest rate		4.38%		4.34%		4.35%

**Central Hudson**

	June 30, 2017		December 31, 2016		June 30, 2016	
	Carrying Value	Fair Value	Carrying Value	Fair Value	Carrying Value	Fair Value
Fixed rate debt	\$ 508,250	\$ 572,692	\$ 508,250	\$ 561,998	\$ 478,250	\$ 563,418
Variable rate debt	63,700	63,700	63,700	63,700	63,700	63,700
Total	<u>\$ 571,950</u>	<u>\$ 636,392</u>	<u>\$ 571,950</u>	<u>\$ 625,698</u>	<u>\$ 541,950</u>	<u>\$ 627,118</u>
Estimated effective interest rate		4.31%		4.26%		4.27%

**NOTE 16 – Related Party Transactions**

Thompson Hine LLP serves as outside counsel to CH Energy Group and Central Hudson. One partner in that firm serves as each corporation's General Counsel and Corporate Secretary. In addition, The Chazen Companies perform engineering services for Central Hudson. A partner in the firm serves as a director of Central Hudson.

The following are fees paid by CH Energy Group and Central Hudson to Thompson Hine LLP and The Chazen Companies, respectively, for the three and six months ended June 30, 2017, and 2016 (In Thousands):

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2017	2016	2017	2016
CH Energy Group (Thompson Hine LLP)	\$ 657	\$ 480	\$ 1,180	\$ 867
Central Hudson (Thompson Hine LLP)	\$ 640	\$ 398	\$ 1,146	\$ 742
Central Hudson (The Chazen Companies)	\$ 68	\$ 115	\$ 107	\$ 139

CH Energy Group and Central Hudson may provide general and administrative services ("services") to and receive services from each other, Fortis and other subsidiaries of Fortis. The costs of these services are reimbursed by the beneficiary company through accounts receivable and accounts payable, as necessary. CH Energy Group and Central Hudson may also incur charges from Fortis or each other for the recovery of general corporate expenses incurred by one another, Fortis or other affiliates. In addition, CH Energy Group and Central Hudson may also incur charges from Fortis for federal income taxes under their tax sharing agreement.

These transactions are in the normal course of business and are recorded at the United States exchange amounts.

Related party transactions included in accounts receivable and accounts payable for the periods ended June 30, 2017, December 31, 2016, and June 30, 2016 for CH Energy Group and Central Hudson are as follows (In Thousands):

	June 30, 2017	December 31, 2016	June 30, 2016
	Fortis	Fortis	Fortis
CH Energy Group <sup>(1)</sup>			
Accounts Receivable	\$ 3,051	\$ 501	\$ 601
Accounts Payable	\$ -	\$ -	-

	June 30, 2017			December 31, 2016			June 30, 2016		
	CHEG	Fortis	Other Affiliates	CHEG	Fortis	Other Affiliates	CHEG	Fortis	Other Affiliates
Central Hudson <sup>(1)</sup>									
Accounts Receivable	\$ 54	\$ 2,559	\$ 26	\$ -	\$ 34	\$ -	\$ 83	\$ 35	\$ 7
Accounts Payable	\$ 708	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 625	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 810	\$ -	\$ -

(1) Fortis amounts reported above include Fortis and all Fortis subsidiaries.

Related party transactions in operating expenses for the three and six months ended June 30, 2017 and 2016 for CH Energy Group and Central Hudson are as follows (In Thousands):

	Three Months Ended June 30, 2017		Three Months Ended June 30, 2016	
	CHEG	Fortis <sup>(1)</sup>	CHEG	Fortis <sup>(1)</sup>
CH Energy Group	\$ -	\$ 534	\$ -	\$ 662
Central Hudson	\$ 637	\$ -	\$ 776	\$ -
	Six Months Ended June 30, 2017		Six Months Ended June 30, 2016	
	CHEG	Fortis <sup>(1)</sup>	CHEG	Fortis <sup>(1)</sup>
CH Energy Group	\$ -	\$ 1,073	\$ -	\$ 1,370
Central Hudson	\$ 1,300	\$ -	\$ 1,583	\$ -

(1) Fortis amounts reported above include Fortis and all Fortis subsidiaries.



**NOTE 17 – Future Accounting Pronouncements To Be Adopted**

Soon to be adopted accounting guidance is summarized below, including explanations for any new guidance issued by FASB (except that which is not currently applicable) and the expected impact on CH Energy Group and its subsidiaries.

*Revenue from Contract with Customers*

ASUs No. 2014-09, 2015-14, 2016-08, 2016-10, 2016-11, 2016-12 and 2016-20 - *Revenue from Contracts with Customers* and related issuances and clarifications replaces all current guidance and provides a unified model to determine when and how revenue is recognized. This standard is effective for calendar years beginning January 2018; early adoption is permitted but for periods beginning after December 15, 2016. The Company has elected not to early adopt. The new guidance permits two methods of adoption: (i) the full retrospective method, under which comparative periods would be restated, and the cumulative impact of applying the standard would be recognized at January 1, 2017, the earliest period presented; or (ii) the modified retrospective method, under which comparative periods would not be restated and the cumulative impact of applying the standard would be recognized at the date of initial adoption, January 1, 2018. CH Energy Group and its subsidiaries expect to use the modified retrospective approach; however, it continues to monitor industry developments. Any significant industry developments could change the expected method of adoption.

The majority of Central Hudson's revenue is generated from energy sales to retail customers based on published tariff rates approved by the PSC and is considered to be within scope. Central Hudson has assessed its tariff revenues and other revenue streams, including alternative revenues and is not expecting a material impact upon adoption. However, certain specific interpretative issues remain outstanding and the conclusions reached, if different than currently anticipated, could have a material impact on the financial statements and related disclosures. Central Hudson continues to closely monitor developments related to the new standard. The adoption of this standard will impact revenue disclosures as revenue from contracts with customers is required to be reported separately from alternative revenue, which is outside the scope of ASC Topic 606. CH Energy Group and its subsidiaries are in the process of drafting these required disclosures by gathering and evaluating information under its existing internal controls over financial reporting ("ICFR").

*Financial Instruments*

ASU No. 2016-01- *Recognition & Measurement of Financial Assets and Liabilities* amends the guidance on the classification, measurement, presentation and disclosure of financial instruments. Although this standard retains many current requirements, it significantly revises an entity's accounting related to (1) the classification and measurement of investments in equity securities and (2) the presentation of certain fair value changes for financial liabilities measured at fair value. This standard also amends certain disclosure requirements associated with the fair value of financial instruments. This update is effective for calendar years beginning January 2018 and is to be applied by means of cumulative effects adjustment to the balance sheet as of the beginning of the fiscal year of adoption. CH Energy Group and its subsidiaries are currently evaluating the impact, if any, that the adoption of this standard will have on the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows.

### *Leases*

ASU No. 2016-02- *Leases* introduces a new lessee model that includes the recognition of lease assets and liabilities on the balance sheet by lessees for those leases that were previously classified as operating leases. This standard also requires qualitative disclosures along with specific quantitative disclosures. This update is effective for calendar years beginning January 2019 and is to be applied using a modified retrospective approach with practical expedient options. Early adoption is permitted. CH Energy Group and its subsidiaries are currently evaluating the impact, if any, that the adoption of this standard will have on the financial statements and related disclosures.

### *Financial Instruments*

ASU No. 2016-13 *Measurement of Credit Losses on Financial Instruments* requires entities to use an expected credit loss methodology (“CECL”) model that is based on expected losses rather than incurred losses. Under the CECL model, an entity recognizes as an allowance its estimate of expected credit losses, which the FASB believes will result in more timely recognition of such losses. This standard also decreases the number of credit impairment models that entities use to account for debt instruments. This update is effective for calendar years beginning January 2020 and is to be applied using a modified retrospective approach. Prospective approach is required for certain financial instruments. Early adoption is permitted for period beginning January 2018. CH Energy Group and its subsidiaries are currently evaluating the impact, if any, that the adoption of this standard will have on its financial condition, results of operations and cash flows.

### *Statement of Cash Flows*

ASU No. 2016-15 *Classification of Certain Cash Receipts and Payments* amends Topic 230 as it lacked consistent principles for evaluating the classification of cash payments and receipts in the statement of cash flows, which led to diversity in practice and, in certain circumstances, financial statement restatements. The amendments in this standard address eight specific cashflow issues and apply to all entities that are required to present a statement of cash flows under Topic 230. This standard is effective for calendar years beginning January 2018 and is to be applied retrospectively. Early adoption is permitted, including adoption in an interim period. CH Energy Group and its subsidiaries do not expect that the amended guidance will have a material impact on its financial condition, results of operations and cash flows.

### *Statement of Cash Flows*

ASU No. 2016-18 *Restricted Cash* amends Topic 230 and clarifies guidance on the classification and presentation of restricted cash in the statement of cash flows. The standard requires that an entity should include in its cash and cash-equivalent balances in the statement of cash flows those amounts that are deemed to be restricted cash and restricted cash equivalents. An entity should also continue to provide appropriate disclosures about its accounting policies pertaining to restricted cash. This update is effective for calendar years beginning January 2018 and is to be applied retrospectively. Early adoption is permitted. CH Energy Group and its subsidiaries do not expect that the amended guidance will have a material impact on its financial condition, results of operations and cash flows.

*Presentation of Pension Costs*

ASU No. 2017-07 *Improving the Presentation of Net Periodic Pension Cost and Net Post Retirement Benefit Cost*, amends Topic 715 and requires that an employer report the service cost component in the same line item or items as other compensation costs arising from services rendered by the pertinent employees during the period and all other components of net benefit cost be presented in the income statement separately from the service cost component and outside a subtotal of income from operations. The amendments also allow only the service cost component to be eligible for capitalization when applicable. The amendment is effective for public business entities for annual periods beginning after December 15, 2017, including interim periods within those annual period and is to be applied: (1) a retrospective transition method to adopt the requirement for separate presentation in the income statement of service costs and other components and (2) a prospective transition method to adopt the requirement to limit the capitalization (e.g., as part of inventory) of benefit costs to the service cost component and must disclose the nature of and reason for the change in accounting principle in both the first interim and annual reporting periods in which they adopt the amendments. Early adoption is permitted as of the beginning of an annual period for which financial statements (interim or annual) have not been issued or made available for issuance. CH Energy Group and its subsidiaries are currently evaluating the impact, if any, that the adoption of this standard will have on the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows.

*Compensation - Stock Compensation*

ASU 2017-09 *Scope of Modification Accounting* amends Topic 718 providing guidance about which changes to the terms or conditions of a share-based payment award require an entity to apply modification accounting. This update is effective for calendar years beginning January 2018 including interim periods. Early adoption is permitted including adoption in any interim period. The amendments in this ASU should be applied prospectively to an award modified on or after the adoption date. CH Energy Group and its subsidiaries do not expect that the amended guidance will have a material impact on its consolidated financials.

**NOTE 18 – Subsequent Events**

An evaluation of subsequent events through July 24, 2017, the date these condensed consolidated interim financial statements were approved by the Audit and Risk Committee of the Board of Directors, was completed to determine whether circumstances warranted recognition and disclosure of events or transactions in the condensed consolidated interim financial statements as of June 30, 2017.

On July 12, 2017, CH Energy Group's Board of Directors approved a \$5.5 million dividend payment to parent FortisUS.

On July 12, 2017, Central Hudson's Board of Directors approved a \$4.0 million dividend payment to CH Energy Group.

Central Hudson intends to file an electric and natural gas rate case in July 2017 with the PSC seeking a rate increase in order to align electric and natural gas delivery rates with the projected costs of providing service to our customers. Some of the drivers of the increase in our projected costs include: (1) capital investments and operating expenses to improve the efficiency, safety and reliability of the electric and natural gas systems; (2) cost of capital that

reflects capitalization ratios and equity returns commensurate with our industry and risk profile; (3) providing energy efficiency programs; (4) expanding payment assistance programs to low-income families in accordance with Case 14-M-0565; and (5) continuing environmental remediation efforts. A PSC Order in response to the filing is anticipated in June 2018 with new rates to become effective no later than July 1, 2018.

## ***INTERIM MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION and ANALYSIS of FINANCIAL CONDITION and RESULTS of OPERATIONS***

### **For the Three and Six Months Ended June 30, 2017**

*This information should be read in conjunction with the Quarterly Condensed Financial Statements and the notes contained herein, and the audited 2016 Annual Financial Report's financial statements and notes, and Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations.*

**Company:** CH Energy Group is the holding company parent corporation of four principal, wholly owned subsidiaries, Central Hudson Gas & Electric Corporation ("Central Hudson" of the "Company"), Central Hudson Enterprises Corporation ("CHEC"), Central Hudson Electric Transmission LLC ("CHET") and Central Hudson Gas Transmission LLC ("CHGT"). Central Hudson is a regulated electric and natural gas transmission and distribution utility. In 2014, CH Energy Group formed CHET to engage in electric transmission projects. CHET currently has a 6.1% ownership interest in New York Transco LLC ("Transco"), a partnership with affiliates of the other investor owned utilities in New York State which was created to develop, own and operate electric transmission projects in New York State. In the first quarter of 2016, CHGT was formed to hold CH Energy Group's ownership stake in possible gas transmission pipeline opportunities in New York State. All of CH Energy Group's common stock is indirectly owned by Fortis Inc. ("Fortis"), a leader in the North American regulated electric and gas utility industry, with total assets of approximately CAD\$48 billion and fiscal 2016 revenue of CAD\$6.8 billion. Fortis and its subsidiaries' 8,000 employees serve utility customers in five Canadian provinces, nine U.S. states and three Caribbean countries.

Central Hudson purchases, sells at wholesale and retail, and distributes electricity and natural gas at retail, in portions of New York State to approximately 300,000 electric and 80,000 natural gas customers and is subject to regulation by the New York Public Service Commission ("PSC" or "Commission").

### ***Mission and Strategy***

#### **Mission**

CH Energy Group and Central Hudson's mission is to provide electricity and natural gas to an expanding customer base in a safe, reliable, courteous and affordable manner; to produce growing financial returns for shareholders; to foster a culture that encourages employees to reach their full potential and to be a good corporate citizen.

CH Energy Group's strategy is to:

- Invest primarily in electric and gas transmission and distribution; and
- Maintain a financial profile that supports a credit rating for Central Hudson in the "A" category.

## Strategy Execution

As part of CH Energy Group's overall strategy to invest in electric transmission and distribution, CHET has made an investment in Transco. In March 2016, FERC approved rates for Transco and three projects were placed in service during the second quarter of 2016. To date, CHET has made capital contributions to Transco of \$6.8 million to fund these projects.

Additionally, Transco filed proposals related to the AC Transmission Order with the New York State Independent System Operator ("NYISO") in April 2016. A final decision on whether a project will be awarded is not expected until the first quarter of 2018.

## Central Hudson

Central Hudson's strategy is to provide exceptional value to its customers by:

- Practicing continuous improvement in everything we do;
- Investing in transmission and distribution infrastructure to enhance reliability, improve customer satisfaction and reduce risk;
- Moderating cost pressures that increase customer bill levels and commodity exposures that cause customer bill variability;
- Advocating on behalf of customers and other stakeholders; and
- Investing in employee development to meet the business needs of today and the future.

## CH Energy Group - Regulated Operations - Central Hudson

### Financial Highlights

#### Period Ended June 30

	Quarter			Year to Date		
	2017	2016	Change	2017	2016	Change
Electricity Sales (GWh)	1,135	1,149	(14)	2,378	2,404	(26)
Natural Gas Sales (PJ)	4.1	4.1	-	13.0	13.1	(0.1)
<i>(In millions)</i>						
Revenues	\$ 153.3	\$ 143.6	\$ 9.7	\$ 348.2	\$ 325.1	\$ 23.1
Energy Supply Costs - Matched to Revenues	47.8	41.0	6.8	112.0	100.1	11.9
Operating Expenses - Matched to Revenues	19.7	17.7	2.0	45.1	38.5	6.6
Operating Expenses - Other	54.9	51.6	3.3	112.6	106.4	6.2
Depreciation and Amortization	12.7	11.5	1.2	25.3	23.0	2.3
Other Income, net	1.2	0.9	0.3	2.1	1.8	0.3
Finance Charges	7.6	7.3	0.3	15.3	14.8	0.5
Income Taxes	4.5	5.9	(1.4)	15.7	17.0	(1.3)
Net income	\$ <u>7.1</u>	\$ <u>9.6</u>	\$ <u>(2.5)</u>	\$ <u>24.4</u>	\$ <u>27.0</u>	\$ <u>(2.6)</u>

*Earnings:* Earnings for the second quarter and year to date as compared to the same periods in 2016 decreased by \$2.5 million and \$2.6 million, respectively. Unbilled revenue negatively impacted earnings for both periods due to the impact of a colder than normal winter season in 2016, which resulted in a larger reversal of unbilled revenue in 2017, coupled with a cooler

than normal spring of 2017. Also impacting earnings were higher overall operating expenses, primarily due to an increase in tree trimming activity in response to the impact of hazardous trees, resulting from insect infestation. In addition, year to date earnings was further impacted by higher than normal storm restoration costs in the first quarter of 2017. The overall increases in operating expenses exceeded the amounts provided in the rate increase effective July 1, 2016 to cover higher operating expenses and earnings on increased rate base.

Energy supply costs reflect higher commodity prices for quarter and year to date 2017 as compared 2016, partially offset by lower purchased volumes. This did not have a direct impact on earnings due to the full deferral of commodity costs and the revenue decoupling mechanism ("RDM"). However, higher revenues result in increased billings for bad debt income.

*Electricity Sales & Natural Gas Sales:* Natural gas sales for the quarter and year to date were essentially unchanged. The slight decrease in electricity sales in the second quarter of 2017 resulted from cooler weather when compared to the same period in 2016. In addition, warmer winter weather in the first half of the first quarter of 2017 impacted year to date electric and natural gas sales. Sales variations do not have a material impact on Central Hudson's revenue as a result of its RDM structure.

*Depreciation and Amortization:* Depreciation and amortization increased over the comparable prior year periods due to the increased investment in Central Hudson's electric and gas infrastructure in accordance with its capital expenditure program.

*Other Income, net:* Other income, net increased for the second quarter and year to date compared to prior periods due to higher carrying charges related to an overall increase in related regulatory asset balances.

*Finance Charges:* Finance charges (interest charges) were higher in 2017 as compared to 2016 primarily as a result of the issuance of long-term debt in June and October of 2016. Partially offsetting this increase is a decrease in carrying charges resulting from a decline in the rate moderator regulatory liability balance and bill credits applied to customer bills in accordance with the 2015 Rate Order.

*Corporate Taxes:* Corporate taxes decreased primarily as a result of lower taxable income in the periods.

## Central Hudson Revenues - Electric Period Ended June 30

(In millions)

	Quarter			Year to Date		
	2017	2016	Change	2017	2016	Change
<b>Revenues with Matching Expense Offsets:<sup>(1)</sup></b>						
Recovery of commodity purchases	\$ 38.4	\$ 34.5	\$ 3.9	\$ 78.8	\$ 75.0	\$ 3.8
Sales to others for resale	1.1	1.0	0.1	2.2	2.1	0.1
Other revenues with matching offsets	17.1	15.6	1.5	37.6	32.6	5.0
<i>Subtotal</i>	56.6	51.1	5.5	118.6	109.7	8.9
<b>Revenues Impacting Earnings:</b>						
Customer sales	67.0	62.6	4.4	138.3	129.7	8.6
RDM and other regulatory mechanisms	0.2	1.1	(0.9)	-	3.0	(3.0)
Revenue requirement of bonus	(0.5)	(0.2)	(0.3)	(1.0)	(0.1)	(0.9)
Other revenues	1.7	2.4	(0.7)	4.6	4.3	0.3
<i>Subtotal</i>	68.4	65.9	2.5	141.9	136.9	5.0
<b>Total Electric Revenues</b>	<b>\$ 125.0</b>	<b>\$ 117.0</b>	<b>\$ 8.0</b>	<b>\$ 260.5</b>	<b>\$ 246.6</b>	<b>\$ 13.9</b>

- (1) Revenues with matching offsets do not affect earnings since they offset related costs, the most significant being energy cost adjustment revenues, which provide for the recovery of purchased electricity costs. Other related costs include authorized business expenses recovered through rates and the cost of special programs authorized by the PSC and funded with certain available credits. Changes in revenues from electric sales to other entities for resale also do not affect earnings since any related profits or losses are returned or charged, respectively, to customers.

## Central Hudson Revenues - Natural Gas Period Ended June 30

(In millions)

	Quarter			Year to Date		
	2017	2016	Change	2017	2016	Change
<b>Revenues with Matching Expense Offsets:<sup>(1)</sup></b>						
Recovery of commodity purchases	\$ 7.3	\$ 4.8	\$ 2.5	\$ 24.5	\$ 16.1	\$ 8.4
Sales to others for resale	1.0	0.8	0.2	6.5	6.8	(0.3)
Other revenues with matching offsets	2.6	2.0	0.6	7.5	5.9	1.6
<i>Subtotal</i>	10.9	7.6	3.3	38.5	28.8	9.7
<b>Revenues Impacting Earnings:</b>						
Customer sales	15.5	15.5	-	44.5	39.8	4.7
RDM and other regulatory mechanisms	2.3	2.1	0.2	4.3	7.2	(2.9)
Revenue requirement of bonus	(0.3)	(0.1)	(0.2)	(0.5)	(0.2)	(0.3)
Other revenues	(0.1)	1.5	(1.6)	0.9	2.9	(2.0)
<i>Subtotal</i>	17.4	19.0	(1.6)	49.2	49.7	(0.5)
<b>Total Natural Gas Revenues</b>	<b>\$ 28.3</b>	<b>\$ 26.6</b>	<b>\$ 1.7</b>	<b>\$ 87.7</b>	<b>\$ 78.5</b>	<b>\$ 9.2</b>

- (1) Revenues with matching offsets do not affect earnings since they offset related costs, the most significant being energy cost adjustment revenues, which provide for the recovery of purchased natural gas costs. Other related costs include authorized business expenses recovered through rates and the cost of special programs authorized by the PSC and funded with certain available credits. For natural gas sales to other entities for resale, 85% of such profits are returned to customers.



Central Hudson's revenues consist of two major categories: those that offset specific expenses in the current period (matching revenues) and those that impact earnings. Matching revenues recover Central Hudson's actual costs for particular expenses (most notably, purchased electricity and purchased natural gas, pensions and OPEBs and NYS energy efficiency programs). Any difference between these revenues and the actual expenses incurred is deferred for future recovery from or refunded to customers and, therefore, does not impact earnings, with the exception of related carrying charges, which are recorded within other income or interest charges in the CH Energy Group and Central Hudson Statement of Income.

*Electric & Natural Gas Revenue:* The increase in electric and natural gas revenue for the quarter and year to date relative to the prior period was primarily a result of an increase in commodity prices which was partially offset by a decrease in delivery volumes. Further impacting the increase in revenue was the increase in customer delivery rates effective July 1, 2016, as approved in the 2015 Rate Order and the increase of commodity costs recovery. Partially offsetting this is the deferral of the revenue requirement effect of the bonus depreciation legislation enacted at the end of 2015.

## Central Hudson Operating Expenses Period Ended June 30

(In millions)

	Quarter			Year to Date		
	2017	2016	Change	2017	2016	Change
<b>Expenses Currently Matched to Revenues:<sup>(1)</sup></b>						
Purchased electricity	\$ 39.5	\$ 35.5	\$ 4.0	\$ 81.0	\$ 77.1	\$ 3.9
Purchased natural gas	8.3	5.5	2.8	31.1	23.0	8.1
Pension & OPEB	2.9	2.9	-	6.6	6.8	(0.2)
NYS energy programs	9.2	7.6	1.6	20.1	16.4	3.7
Major storm reserve	0.2	-	0.2	1.4	-	1.4
Other matched expenses	7.4	7.2	0.2	17.0	15.2	1.8
<i>Subtotal</i>	<u>67.5</u>	<u>58.7</u>	<u>8.8</u>	<u>157.2</u>	<u>138.5</u>	<u>18.7</u>
<b>Other Operating Expense Variations:</b>						
Tree trimming	5.1	4.2	0.9	9.2	8.6	0.6
Property and school taxes <sup>(2)</sup>	11.5	10.8	0.7	25.3	23.9	1.4
Weather related service restoration	0.9	1.1	(0.2)	3.4	2.1	1.3
Distribution maintenance	2.7	2.5	0.2	4.5	5.2	(0.7)
Uncollectible accounts and reserve	0.4	0.9	(0.5)	1.3	2.1	(0.8)
Depreciation and amortization	12.7	11.5	1.2	25.3	23.0	2.3
Other expenses	34.3	32.1	2.2	68.8	64.6	4.2
<i>Subtotal</i>	<u>67.6</u>	<u>63.1</u>	<u>4.5</u>	<u>137.8</u>	<u>129.5</u>	<u>8.3</u>
<b>Total Operating Expenses</b>	<u>\$ 135.1</u>	<u>\$ 121.8</u>	<u>\$ 13.3</u>	<u>\$ 295.0</u>	<u>\$ 268.0</u>	<u>\$ 27.0</u>

(1) Includes expenses that, in accordance with the 2015 Rate Order, are adjusted in the current period to equal the revenues earned for the applicable expenses and the differences are deferred.

(2) In accordance with the 2015 Rate Order, Central Hudson is authorized to defer for the benefit of or recovery from customers 90% of any difference between actual property tax expense and the amounts provided in rates for each Rate Year. Central Hudson's portion is limited to 5%, with a maximum of approximately \$0.5 million, pre-tax per Rate Year.

*Operating Expenses:* Operating expenses increased for the quarter and year to date as a result of higher electric and natural gas prices and collections for energy efficiency programs as mandated in the Clean Energy Fund Order. Further contributing to the increase in operating expenses were higher property and school taxes, an increase in tree trimming activity to mitigate the impact of an environmental threat on Central Hudson's distribution and

transmission infrastructure and an increase in depreciation and amortization as a result of increased capital investments. In addition, year to date expenses include the impact of incremental costs associated with the restoration efforts as a result of two “major” storm events in the first quarter of 2017.

Variations in purchased gas and electricity costs and other expenses currently matched to revenues do not have a direct impact on earnings due to Central Hudson’s regulatory mechanism for the full deferral of these expenses.

## Financial Position

The following table outlines the significant changes in the Balance Sheet of Central Hudson as of June 30, 2017.

### CH Energy Group – Regulated – Central Hudson Significant Changes in the Balance Sheets as of June 30, 2017

*(Dollars in millions)*

<b>Balance Sheet Account</b>	<b>Increase (Decrease)</b>	<b>Explanation</b>
Accounts receivable	(8.5)	Decrease is primarily due to lower sales volume as a result of the seasonality of the business resulting in lower customer bills.
Accrued unbilled utility revenues	(5.4)	Decrease reflects the seasonality of the business.
Regulatory assets - current	5.5	Increase is primarily due to unrealized mark-to-market losses related to open electric and gas derivative contracts, partially offset by the recovery of previously deferred commodity costs.
Special deposits and prepayments	(16.0)	Decrease is primarily due to the amortization of school taxes, which were prepaid in the third quarter of 2016.
Regulatory assets - related to pension plan costs	(9.3)	Decrease is primarily due to the amortization of net periodic pension costs.
Regulatory assets - long term	(20.3)	Decrease is primarily due to lowered estimated remediation costs related to the North Water Street MGP site and payments related to remediation work performed at the Kingston MGP site.
Accounts payable	(6.0)	Decrease is primarily a result of lower estimated purchased electric and gas costs due to the seasonality of the business.
Regulatory liabilities - current	(22.1)	Decrease is primarily due to decreases in the rate moderator for bill credits provided to customers, the settlement of electric and gas derivative contracts and the refund of previously overcollected revenues to customers through RDMs.
Regulatory liabilities - long term	28.4	Increase is primarily due to continued collections for energy efficiency programs with delayed remittance to New York State Energy Research Development Authority ("NYSERDA") in accordance with the Clean Energy Fund Order and income taxes refundable through future rates.
Accrued environmental remediation costs	(22.0)	Decrease is primarily due to lowered estimated remediation costs related to the North Water Street MGP site and payments related to remediation work performed at the Kingston MGP site.
Accrued pension costs	(11.2)	Decrease is primarily due to a \$13.0 million pension contribution made to the retirement plan.

## Liquidity And Capital Resources

The following table outlines the summary of cash flow:

### CH Energy Group - Regulated, Non-regulated and Holding Company Summary of Cash Flow

Period Ended June 30,

(In millions)

	Year to Date	
	2017	2016
<b>Cash, beginning of period</b>	\$ 19.3	\$ 13.6
Operating Activities	79.0	131.3
Investing Activities	(76.2)	(94.7)
Financing Activities	(11.7)	(16.8)
<b>Cash, end of period</b>	\$ 10.4	\$ 33.4
<b>Dividends paid on Common Stock - CH Energy Group</b>	\$ (11.0)	\$ (11.0)
<b>Dividends paid to parent - Central Hudson</b>	\$ (9.3)	\$ (6.8)

CH Energy Group had cash and short-term investments of \$10.4 million and \$19.3 million as of June 30, 2017 and December 31, 2016, respectively.

*Operating Activities:* Cash generated from operating activities was \$79.0 million in the current year period, compared with \$131.3 million for the corresponding period in the prior year. The \$52.3 million decrease in cash in the periods is primarily due to the timing of pension plan contributions and the benefit from bonus depreciation tax provisions enacted in December 2015 that resulted in a tax refund in 2016.

*Investing Activities:* Cash used in investing activities was \$76.2 million in the first half of 2017, compared with \$94.7 million in the prior year period. Capital expenditures in the prior year reflected an accelerated capital plan based on more favorable weather conditions than in the current year. Capital expenditures for the remainder of 2017 are estimated to range between \$100 million and \$110 million.

*Financing Activities:* Cash used in financing activities was \$5.6 million higher in the first half of 2016, as excess cash generated from operations was used to repay short-term borrowings. CH Energy Group made dividend payments of \$11.0 million during the six months ended June 30, 2017 and 2016.

### Committed Credit Facilities

By Order issued and effective September 18, 2015, the PSC authorized an increase in Central Hudson's committed available credit to \$200 million. On October 15, 2015, Central Hudson entered into a credit agreement with six commercial banks.

On July 10, 2015, CH Energy Group entered into a Third Amended and Restated Credit Agreement with four commercial banks. The credit commitment of the banks under the facility is \$50 million. Consolidated CH Energy Group committed credit as of June 30, 2017 is \$250 million.

There were no amounts outstanding under either credit facility as of June 30, 2017 and December 31, 2016.

## Uncommitted Credit

At June 30, 2017, Central Hudson had uncommitted short-term credit arrangements with three commercial banks totaling \$40 million of which there were no outstanding balances. At December 31, 2016, Central Hudson had uncommitted short-term credit arrangements with two commercial banks totaling \$25 million of which there were no outstanding balances.

## Central Hudson's Bond Ratings

	June 30, 2017		December 31, 2016	
	Rating <sup>(1)</sup>	Outlook	Rating <sup>(1)</sup>	Outlook
S&P	A-	Stable	A-	Stable
Moody's	A2	Stable	A2	Stable
Fitch	A-	Stable	A-	Stable

(1) These senior unsecured debt ratings reflect only the views of the rating agency issuing the rating, are not recommendations to buy, sell, or hold securities of Central Hudson and may be subject to revision or withdrawal at any time by the rating agency issuing the rating. Each rating should be evaluated independently of any other rating.

Central Hudson's strong investment-grade credit ratings help facilitate access to long-term debt, however, management can make no assurance that future financing will be available or economically viable.

CH Energy Group and Central Hudson's capital structure is as follows: *(Dollars in millions)*

## CH Energy Group

	June 30, 2017		December 31, 2016	
	\$	%	\$	%
Long-term Debt <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 588.0	49.6	\$ 588.7	50.2
Common Equity	597.8	50.4	584.4	49.8
Total	\$ 1,185.8	100.0	\$ 1,173.1	100.0

(1) Includes current maturities of long term debt.

## Central Hudson

	June 30, 2017		December 31, 2016	
	\$	%	\$	%
Long-term Debt <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 571.9	48.8	\$ 571.9	49.4
Common Equity	600.4	51.2	585.3	50.6
Total	\$ 1,172.3	100.0	\$ 1,157.2	100.0

(1) Includes current maturities of long term debt.

Per the 2015 Rate Order, Central Hudson's customer rates reflect a capital structure, excluding short-term debt, with 48% common equity. Central Hudson is currently managing its financing to maintain its common equity at no less than 48%. Central Hudson may change its long term capitalization targets to match the capital structure reflected in future customer rates.

Central Hudson meets its need for long-term debt financing primarily through privately placed debt. As a regulated electric and natural gas utility company, Central Hudson is required to obtain authorization from the PSC to issue securities with maturities greater than 12 months.

CH Energy Group and Central Hudson believe they will be able to meet their short-term and long-term cash requirements, assuming that Central Hudson's future rate plans reflect the costs of service, including a reasonable return on invested capital.

### ***Summary of Changes in Accounting Policies from December 31, 2016***

*Regulation:* There were no material changes to Central Hudson's regulatory accounting policies in the six months ended June 30, 2017.

*Critical Accounting Estimates:* There were no material changes to CH Energy Group's or Central Hudson's critical accounting estimates in the six months ended June 30, 2017.

*GAAP:* There were no material changes to CH Energy Group's or Central Hudson's accounting policies in the six months ended June 30, 2017.

### ***Business Outlook and Summary of Significant Business Risks***

#### **Outlook**

There were no material changes to the Company's mission and strategy since its 2016 Annual Financial Report.

#### **Risk Factors**

There were no material changes to the Company's risk factors, as set forth in its 2016 Annual Financial Report, during the first six months of 2017.

#### **Regulatory Proceedings**

There were no material changes in Central Hudson's regulatory proceedings from those disclosed in the 2016 Annual Financial Report, except as noted below.

#### **Reforming the Energy Vision Proceeding**

In 2014, Governor Cuomo and the PSC announced the commencement of its Reforming the Energy Vision ("REV") proceeding that aims to improve the efficiency of the electric system, reduce emissions, encourage greater development of clean generation, fuel diversity and energy efficiency measures, and provide customers with knowledge and tools for effective management of their total energy use through the adoption of new technologies on both the utility and customer side of the meter. During the first quarter of 2015, the PSC issued the REV Track 1 "Order Adopting Regulatory Policy Framework and Implementation Plans". In 2015 Central Hudson formed the Energy Transformation & Solutions Division to lead the Company's efforts associated with REV. On May 19, 2016, the PSC issued the REV Track 2 "Order Adopting a Ratemaking and Utility Revenue Model Policy Framework". On June 30, 2016, Central Hudson filed its Distributed System Implementation Plan ("DSIP") and Benefit Cost Analysis Handbook pursuant to the Order Adopting Distributed System Implementation Plan Guidance issued April 22, 2016, in the REV proceeding. Central Hudson's DSIP describes its proposal for the development of a more transactional, distributed electric grid that

meets the demands of a modern economy that includes improvements in system efficiency, resilience and carbon emission reductions.

On March 9, 2017, the Commission adopted an Order addressing a subset of matters regarding the Initial and Supplemental DSIP filed by utilities. In the Order, the Commission provided guidance with respect to 1) hosting capacity, 2) interconnection portals, 3) non-wire alternatives, 4) aggregated customer data privacy and, 5) energy storage. The Commission also directed the utilities to complete the hosting capacity analysis for all circuits at and above 12kV by October 1, 2017; to dedicate adequate resources to this effort to ensure that Phase 1 is fully implemented no later than October 1, 2017. On May 8, 2017, in compliance with the Order, the Joint Utilities filed additional information and revised matrices clearly describing how the Non-Wires-Alternative (“NWA”) Suitability Criteria will be applied as a standard procedure in the development of transmission and distribution project justification; identifying all projects in their five year capital plans that meet the criteria and when a NWA solicitation will likely be issued for those projects. On March 9, 2017, the Commission also adopted an Order directing the Joint Utilities to make modifications to their interconnection Survey Process and proposed Earnings Adjustment Mechanism that was filed on September 16, 2016. The Joint Utilities supplemental filing made on May 5, 2017 included more information on weighting for both survey types and questions in each survey, information describing when certain survey types are administered and more information on data collection and close-out surveys on failed applications.

On June 1, 2017, in compliance with the REV Track 2 order, Central Hudson filed revisions to the Company’s voluntary time of use (“TOU”) rates, promotion and educational tools. The Company’s filing reflects an alternative residential TOU rate that provides customers with a tool to decrease consumption through energy efficiency measures that will allow them to actively engage in managing their electric bills while also potentially affecting system attributes and market prices through reduced energy consumption during peak hours.

The outcome of REV and the many related proceedings cannot be predicted at this time, but they could result in an increased or decreased scope of regulated activities, earnings potential and risk.

### **Clean Energy Standard (“CES”) Proceedings**

In June 2015, the Governor announced New York’s 2015 State Energy Plan (“SEP”) as a comprehensive roadmap to build a clean, resilient and affordable energy system for New York State (“NYS”). On January 21, 2016, the PSC issued an Order expanding the scope of the Large Scale Renewable (“LSR”) proceeding to incorporate consideration and implementation of a CES that is designed to meet the Governor’s SEP 50 by 30 renewable mandates. On January 25, 2016, Staff issued its Clean Energy Standard Whitepaper, which outlines the policy objectives of a CES mandate. On August 1, 2016, the Commission issued an Order Adopting a Clean Energy Standard and on September 1, 2016, a Clean Energy Standard Implementation Proposal was issued in which Staff proposes that the Commission direct utilities to amend certain tariffs to allow for the recovery of the costs. Tier 1 compliant Renewable Energy Credit (“RECs”), Zero Emission Credits (“ZECs”) and Alternative Compliance Payments (“ACPs”) costs incurred in compliance with the CES Order will be recovered through volumetric supply charges collected from their retail commodity customers and Tier 2 maintenance resources costs will be recovered from all delivery customers on a volumetric basis. The proposal also addressed cost recovery that may be incurred by the

utilities in their role as the financial backstop, as delineated in the August 1, 2016 CES Order. On February 22, 2017 the Commission issued an Order Adopting Tariff Amendments for the recovery of costs associated with RECs, ZECs, and any ACPs and costs associated with Tier 2 Maintenance Contracts and Backstop Charges. Tariffs became effective April 1, 2017 providing for the collections of RECs, ZECs and ACPs costs through existing supply mechanisms and recovery of any Tier 2 maintenance contact and backstop costs through the System Benefit Charge bill line items.

On May 12, 2017 the PSC and NYSERDA submitted a proposed Phase 2 Implementation Plan for the CES for comment. The Phase 2 Proposal documented Staff's review of annual targets for Load Servicing Entity obligation for 2018-2021 with recommendations to modify the targets adopted in the CES August 2016 Order and clarified treatment of voluntary purchases and baseline resources in observing progress toward the CES goals. The proposed plan also established protocols with standards that may trigger an interim review by the Commission, program design and procedures for the sale of 2018 Tier 1 RECs and a method to calculate the ACP for 2018 and to utilize any ACPs received by NYSERDA.

A number of parties have filed lawsuits against the PSC's clean energy plan for infringement on FERC jurisdiction over wholesale electricity markets. NYS's CES plan for supporting nuclear generation through ZECs has also drawn criticism for discriminating against other carbon-free technologies, unfairly increasing the rate burden on down-state consumers and hurting non-subsidized generators.

No prediction can be made regarding the outcome of this matter or the potential impacts on Central Hudson at this time.

#### **Value of Distributed Energy Resources Proceeding ("DER") – Value of "D"**

In December 2015, the Commission instituted a new proceeding, Case 15-E-0751, "In the Matter of the Value of Distributed Energy Resources ("VDER")" to propose valuation methods for DER. These compensation reforms are being considered as a reform to net metering. A series of technical conferences and collaborative meetings were held and a Staff Straw Proposal was issued on October 27, 2016 for positions taken and the reasons therefore for the proposed interim methodology.

On March 9, 2017 the Commission adopted an Order directing utilities to file tariff leaves implementing the transition from Net Energy Metering ("NEM") to a Value of Distributed Energy Resources Phase One tariff. Central Hudson has completed several compliance filings related to the Order. On March 31, 2017, Central Hudson requested and was granted an extension until April 27, 2017 for filing new tariffs implementing the transition from NEM to a Value of Distributed Energy Resources Phase One Tariff. In addition, Central Hudson and the other investor-owned electric utilities filed their work plans and timelines for developing locationally granular prices to reflect the full value to their distribution systems from DER additions on April 24, 2017; and on May 1, 2017, filed an Implementation Proposal for public review and comment. The Implementation Proposal will provide the framework for transitioning the compensation mechanism away from net metering to a new compensation mechanism based on a defined value stack. Various stakeholders and Staff are expected to provide comments and participate in collaborative discussions regarding the utility work plans and implementation proposals prior to a Commission Order on these matters.

On May 23, 2017 the Commission hosted an organizational conference to commence Phase Two of the VDER proceeding to finalize the scope of Phase Two issues and to collaborate on the approach and schedule for addressing the issues consistent with the order. Phase Two DER topics include: methods to provide equal compensation for reduced consumption and injected generation, a framework for the development and consideration of grid access charges, non-bypassable fees or other methods to mitigate costs posed on non-participants, improvements to bulk system, distribution system and societal value components and transitioning of mass market projects to VDER.

No prediction can be made regarding the outcome of this matter or the potential impacts on Central Hudson at this time.

### **Statewide Inspection Schedules and Procedural Requirements Pertaining to Gas Service Lines Inside Buildings**

In 2015, the Commission adopted a new definition of gas service line, which expanded the Commission's jurisdiction and therefore the breadth of gas safety inspections that all gas Local Distribution Companies ("LDCs") must perform on inside gas services. On April 20, 2017, the Commission issued an order directing the addition of two primary inspection requirements to LDCs' Operation and Maintenance programs: leakage surveys and atmospheric corrosion inspections starting from a building's outside wall to the outlet of the gas meter. The Order requires that LDCs complete baseline leakage surveys and atmospheric corrosion inspections in residential districts within three years of the date of the order. Subsequent atmospheric corrosion inspections and leakage surveys outside of business districts must take place at intervals not exceeding three years. Leakage surveys of each gas service line in business districts must be completed within 15 months of the date of the order and atmospheric corrosion inspections within three years of the date of the order. Subsequent leakage surveys in business districts must take place once every calendar year at intervals not exceeding 15 months and atmospheric corrosion inspections must be completed every three years. All LDCs were required to file inspection procedures with the PSC within 45 days of the order. Central Hudson submitted its compliance filing on June 5, 2017 and estimates that the cost of compliance will be approximately \$0.5 million and is expected to meet the criteria for deferral. Management will monitor these costs as incurred.

### **Accuracy and Effectiveness of Certain Utility Reliability and Customer Service Reported Data Operations Audit**

On March 10, 2017, the PSC approved Central Hudson's Audit Implementation Plan filed on May 20, 2016. The Company is required to file status reports with the Commission on recommendation implementation progress every four months until all recommendations are fully implemented. The recommendations are not expected to have a significant impact on Central Hudson's earnings, financial position or cash flows.

### **Operations Audit of Internal Staffing Levels and Use of Contractors for Selected Core Utility Functions**

Following the February 16, 2017 release of Liberty Consulting Group's Final Report of the Operations Audit of Staffing Levels at Major New York State Energy Utilities by the Commission and in compliance with PSL 66(19)b, the Commission directed utilities to file their implementation plans within 30 days. Central Hudson submitted its implementation plan addressing Liberty's fourteen audit recommendations for the Company on March 23, 2017.



The recommendations are not expected to have a significant impact on Central Hudson's earnings, financial position or cash flows.

### **Low Income Proceeding**

On May 20, 2016, the PSC issued its Order Adopting Low Income Program Modifications and Directing Utility Filings. In the Order, the PSC adopted a policy that an energy burden at or below 6% of household income shall be the target level for all 2.3 million low income households in New York and established a funding level such that the budget for each utility may not exceed 2% of total electric or gas revenues for sales to end-use customers. For Central Hudson, the low income budget program costs increased from \$4.2 million to \$12.1 million, an increase of nearly \$8.0 million or 186%. The cost of the program will be borne by all classes of customers, with the specific mode of cost recovery determined in rate cases, where the total impacts of all revenue requirement changes can be considered. Central Hudson filed its Low Income Implementation Plan with the Commission on September 16, 2016.

A number of parties have filed petitions for rehearing and reconsideration on a variety of topics set forth in the Order on the basis that the PSC erred in adopting very large increases to the utilities. On February 17, 2017 the Commission issued the Order "Implementation Plans with Modifications" which directed utilities to file compliance tariffs to become effective April 1, 2017. The Order approved the Company's proposal to phase out its existing Low Income Enhanced Powerful Opportunities Program ("EPOP") but required elimination of the discounted bill and incentive award payment components of the EPOP program for customers at the end of the 2016/2017 HEAP season, on or about April 15, 2017. Central Hudson was permitted to continue to use existing low income program cost allocation and cost recovery methods and was directed to modify its cost recovery method in the next rate filing so that program costs are allocated to service classes in proportion to class contribution to embedded cost of service transmission and distribution delivery revenue requirement.

Central Hudson will address modifications to the Low Income Program in its next rate filing.

### **Retail Access**

On December 16, 2016 the PSC reaffirmed its July 15, 2016 moratorium on Energy Service Company ("ESCO") enrollment of customers who are participants in utility low-income programs by issuing an Order adopting a permanent prohibition on service to low-income customers by ESCOs. The Order, directs utilities to develop a number of communications for both ESCOs and their low-income customers informing them of the prohibition imposed by the PSC order. In addition, within 60 days of the order utilities were required to place a block on all low-income accounts preventing them from being enrolled with an ESCO. The Commission has issued a number of postponements to this deadline with the implementation date for utilities to apply blocks now set to take effective July 26, 2017. The PSC has also established evidentiary and collaborative tracks for consideration of whether ESCOs should be completely prohibited from serving their current products to mass-market customers and whether the regulatory regime, rules and Uniform Business Practices applicable to ESCOs need to be modified to implement such a prohibition, to provide additional guidance on acceptable rates and practices by ESCOs or to create enforcement mechanism to deter customer abuses and overcharging. The PSC is also interested in whether new ESCO rules and products can be developed that would provide sufficient value to mass-market customers such that new products could be provided to them by ESCOs in the future in a manner that could ensure just and reasonable rates. On January 26, 2017 a Procedural Conference was held and on

February 8, 2017 the Administrative Law Judge (“ALJ”) issued a Ruling on Schedule and Procedure adopted a filing schedule. However, in response to numerous parties’ filed motions and replies in this proceeding, the ALJ granted relief from the original schedule, adopting the following dates: pre-filed Direct Testimony and Exhibits due July 14, 2017, Rebuttal Testimony and Exhibits due August 11, 2017 and Evidentiary Hearings beginning September 6, 2017.

There is no expected impact on Central Hudson’s earnings, financial position or cash flows as a result of this proceeding.

### **Comprehensive Management and Operations Audit**

At the July 14, 2016 PSC session, the Commission selected Overland Consulting (“Overland”) to perform a comprehensive management and operational audit of Central Hudson. The audit was performed in accordance with Public Service Law 66(19). Central Hudson presented a Management Audit Orientation to Overland in September 2016 focusing on the seven topic areas identified in the audit scope. The discovery phase took place during the period August 2016 through March 2017. As of June 30th, the comprehensive audit is substantially complete. The final report will be released after it is reviewed at a future PSC session. Following the release of the report, Central Hudson will have 30 days to file an implementation plan that addresses all of the auditor’s recommendations. No prediction can be made regarding the outcome of this matter or the potential impacts on Central Hudson at this time.

### **New Electric and Natural Gas Rate Filing Request**

Central Hudson intends to file an electric and natural gas rate case in July 2017 with the PSC seeking a rate increase in order to align electric and natural gas delivery rates with the projected costs of providing service to our customers. Some of the drivers of the increase in our projected costs include: (1) capital investments and operating expenses to improve the efficiency, safety and reliability of the electric and natural gas systems; (2) cost of capital that reflects capitalization ratios and equity returns commensurate with our industry and risk profile; (3) providing energy efficiency programs; (4) expanding payment assistance programs to low-income families in accordance with Case 14-M-0565; and (5) continuing environmental remediation efforts. A PSC Order in response to the filing is anticipated in June 2018 with new rates to become effective no later than July 1, 2018.

## **FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS**

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