



**Charles A. Freni, Jr.  
President & Chief Executive Officer**

Charles A. Freni is the President and CEO of Central Hudson Gas & Electric Corporation, a regulated electric and natural gas utility serving approximately 300,000 electric and 80,000 gas customers in 8 counties of New York State's Mid-Hudson Valley. Mr. Freni was appointed to this position on September 15, 2018, and oversees 1,000 employees and a 2,600 mile service territory.

Mr. Freni began his career with Central Hudson in 1982 as a Junior Engineer and has held various positions over the years, the most recent being Sr. Vice President of Customer Services and T&D Operations since 2004, and prior to that, Vice President of Engineering and Environmental Affairs beginning in 2000.

He earned a Bachelor of Science Degree in Mechanical Engineering from Union College in Schenectady, NY in 1982 and a Masters of Business Administration from Union College in 1987. Mr. Freni also received a Certificate of Professional Development from The Wharton School in Philadelphia, PA, in 2009.

He has served on boards and committees for various community organizations over the years and is currently a member of the board of the Community Foundation of the Hudson Valley and the Business Council of New York State.

He and his wife Liz reside in Rhinebeck, NY.