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December 18, 2012

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): December 12, 2012

CH ENERGY GROUP, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

New York 0-30512 14-1804460 (State or Other Jurisdiction (Commission (IRS Employer

of Incorporation) File Number) Identification Number)

284 South Avenue

Poughkeepsie, New York 12601-4839

(Address of Principal Executive Offices, Zip Code)

(845) 452-2000

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not applicable

(Former name and former address, if changed since last report)

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Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

In order to improve the tax deductibility of potential employee compensation payments in connection with the pending business combination between CH Energy Group, Inc. (the "Company"), FortisUS, Inc. ("Fortis") and certain other parties related to Fortis, on December 12, 2012, the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors of the Company approved the payment in December 2012 of (i) 80 percent of the 2010-2012 performance shares expected to be paid in the first half of 2013 to Christopher M. Capone, (ii) 80 percent of the service-vesting restricted shares scheduled to vest in February 2013 for each of Mr. Capone and W. Randolph Groft, and (iii) the following percentages of the cash short-term incentive awards expected to be paid in the first quarter of 2013 to each of the following officers: Steven V. Lant and James P. Laurito—each 80 percent; Mr. Capone—74.7 percent; and Mr. Groft—68.9 percent.

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SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Dated: December 18, 2012 CH ENERGY GROUP, INC.

By: /s/ Kimberly J. Wright
Kimberly J. Wright
Vice President – Accounting and Controller