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### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

#### 32. CONSOLIDATED BILLING AND PAYMENT PROCESSING:

## A. Description:

- (1) Consolidated Billing and Payment Processing, consistent with the Commission's <u>Order Establishing Uniform Retail Access Billing and Payment Processing Practices</u>, Case 99-M-0631, issued May 18, 2001, as the same may be revised, modified, amended, clarified, supplemented or superseded, is provided by the Company. Further information is available at the PSC's website (http://www.dps.state.ny.us/ubr.htm).
- (2) Company specific terms and conditions regarding Billing and Payment Processing are detailed in the Billing Services Agreement and the Gas Transportation Operating Procedures Manual.
- (3) The Company will provide mechanisms that will allow Customers to choose, through their Marketer, a Consolidated Billing and Payment Processing option when Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) for Consolidated Billing and Payment Processing is operational.

# B. Customer Eligibility:

(1) Service Classification Nos. 1, 5, 13, 14 and 15 of this Schedule are eligible for Consolidated Billing and Payment Processing.

### C. Bill Issuance Charge:

(1) A Customer electing Consolidated Billing and Payment Processing pursuant to this Section will not be billed the monthly Bill Issuance Charge for the gas service for which Consolidated Billing and Payment Processing has been elected.

### D. Bill processing Charges:

- (1) A Marketer will be assessed a charge of \$0.70 per bill for a Company rendered consolidated bill.
- E Purchase of ESCO Accounts Receivable Program (POR):
  - (1) ESCOs that elect the Company's consolidated billing option for all or a portion of their customers will be required to sell their accounts receivable for such customers to NYSEG under the terms of the POR. ESCOs continue to have the right to issue their own bill using dual billing for all or a portion of their customers. Such ESCOs will be precluded from participating in the POR for customers receiving dual billing.
  - (2) The POR obviates the need for NYSEG to prorate partial customer payments among ESCOs that are participating in the POR.

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