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Honorable Kathleen H. Burgess  
Secretary  
New York State Public Service Commission  
3 Empire State Plaza, 19<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Albany, New York 12223

**RE: Case 15-G-0244, In the Matter of Order Establishing Statewide Inspection Schedules  
and Procedural Requirements**

Dear Secretary Burgess:

Consolidated Edison Company of New York, Inc. (“Con Edison” or the “Company”) is filing with the Public Service Commission (the “Commission”) amendments to its Schedule for Gas Service, P.S.C. No. 9 – Gas (the “Gas Tariff”), applicable to its customers in Manhattan and the Bronx, the First and Third Wards of Queens, and certain municipalities in the County of Westchester.

The following Gas Tariff amendments are issued May 10, 2017 to become effective on June 12, 2017.

<u>Leaf</u>	<u>Revision</u>	<u>Superseding</u>
48	1	0
81	2	1
82	3	2
83	3	2
83.1	0	
83.2	0	

**Reason for Filing and Tariff Changes**

On April 2, 2015, in its Memorandum and Resolution Adopting Gas Safety Regulation Amendments issued in Case 14-G-0537<sup>1</sup>, the Commission adopted a new definition for gas service lines, which expanded the Commission’s jurisdiction of gas line inspections. The requirements for inside gas service line safety inspections for all local gas distributions companies (“LDCs”) in New York State were also expanded. Two new interior inspection

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<sup>1</sup> *In the Matter of Revising 16 NYCRR Gas Safety Regulations for Consistent Application of More Stringent Federal Gas Safety Standards in 49 CFR*

requirements, leakage surveys and atmospheric corrosion inspections, are now required to be performed by the LDCs.

On April 20, 2017, in its Order Establishing Statewide Inspection Schedules and Procedural Requirements in Case 15-G-0244 (the "Order"), the Commission ordered the LDCs to modify their tariff language to allow the individual LDC to: (a) charge Customers \$100 for not allowing the LDC access to its equipment; and (b) to terminate service if the customer does not pay the \$100 charge or does pay the charge but continues to deny the LDC access to its equipment when performing leakage surveys and atmospheric corrosion inspections.

In compliance with the Order, the Company has added language to General Information Section III.12. (A) (5) of the Gas Tariff to clarify that the \$100 charge as described above also applies to not allowing access for performing leakage surveys and atmospheric corrosion inspections. In addition, the Order stated that if an LDC thought it may pursue the disconnection of service for a customer who has paid the \$100 and still continues to deny the LDC access to its equipment, then the LDC may send a final notice of termination at least 15 days prior to the disconnection date shown on the notice and the LDC should publish in its tariff the form of notice it would leave for the customer. The Company has therefore added tariff language explaining the notice requirement and included separate forms of notice in General Information Section III.12. (B) (3) for residential and non-residential customers.

### **Conclusion and Notice**

The tariff revisions will become effective on June 12, 2017<sup>2</sup>. As directed by Ordering Clause 9 of the Order regarding newspaper publication requirements of §66(12)(b) of the Public Service Law, the Company will provide for public notice of the tariff changes in this filing by means of newspaper publication once a week of four consecutive weeks prior to the effective date for the proposed tariff changes.

Please direct any questions regarding this filing to Margie Lenz at (212) 460-2217.

Sincerely,

/s/ William A. Atzl, Jr.  
Director  
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<sup>2</sup>Ordering Clauses 7 and 8 of the Order required tariff amendments to be filed by the LDCs on not less than five days' notice to become effective on May 15, 2017. As per the *Notice Extending Effective Date of Tariff Applicable to All Local Distribution Companies* issued May 5, 2017 in Case 15-G-0244, the effective date of the tariff amendments was extended to June 12, 2017.