



March 11, 2019

Honorable Kathleen H. Burgess, Secretary
New York State Public Service Commission
Three Empire State Plaza, 19th Floor
Albany, New York 12223-1350

Dear Secretary Burgess:

Enclosed are the following tariff leaves transmitted for filing by The Brooklyn Union Gas Company d/b/a National Grid (“Company”) in connection with the newly enacted New York Public Service Law Section 39, subdivision 4.

Fourth Revised Leaf No. 27
Fifth Revised Leaf No. 29
Sixteenth Revised Leaf No. 138.49

To Schedule for Gas Service, P.S.C. No. 12-GAS

Effective: 07/15/2019

Public Service Law Section 39.4 was approved and effective August 24, 2018, and states:

Upon discontinuation of utility service to a residential customer, a gas or electric corporation shall notify such customer of their right to an actual meter reading. It shall be the right of every residential customer of a gas or electric corporation, upon the discontinuation of utility service, to obtain, upon request, an actual meter reading by such customer's gas or electric corporation. A gas or electric corporation shall provide such a reading within forty-eight hours of such request, provided that if circumstances beyond the control of the gas or electric corporation make an actual reading of the meter extremely difficult, such corporation shall not be required to provide an actual meter reading. A gas or electric corporation shall not be required to provide a physical meter reading during a holiday or non-work day, but shall instead provide such meter reading on the next workday.

The enclosed tariff leaves have been revised to include language regarding a customer's ability to request their meters be read on a date other than the customer's regularly scheduled meter read date and the associated fee. The tariff also clarifies that subject to certain conditions, when a customer is disconnecting service and so requests, the Company is required to provide an actual meter read within 48 hours of the customer's request. The rule is designed to permit the Company to charge customers to provide an in-person special meter reading for customers who so request, and to avoid shifting the costs for such special meter reads to other customers.

Given the newly enacted statute went into effect immediately upon being signed by the Governor on August 24, 2018, waiver of the newspaper publication requirements of PSL §66-12 and 16NYCRR 720.8 is requested for this filing.

In accordance with Section 720-2.3 of the Commission's Regulations, a proposed notice of this filing suitable for use under the State Administrative Procedure Act is also enclosed.

Please contact me with any questions regarding this letter or the enclosure at (315) 428-6533.

Respectfully Submitted,

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