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

RE: Case 09-G-0795, Current Gas Rate Plan

Dear Secretary Burgess:

Enclosed for filing with the Public Service Commission (the "Commission") are revised schedule leaves issued by Consolidated Edison Company of New York, Inc. ("Con Edison" or the "Company") to the Company's Schedule for Gas Service, P.S.C. No. 9 - Gas (the "Tariff"), applicable to its customers in the City of New York and the County of Westchester. The Company's Tariff leaves have an effective date of October 1, 2013. The specific leaves being revised are identified in Appendix A.

### **Reason for Filing**

This filing is being made pursuant to the Commission's <u>Order Establishing Three-Year Steam and Gas Rate Plans and Determining East River Repowering Project Cost Allocation Methodology</u>, issued and effective September 22, 2010, in Case 09-G-0795 (the "Order"). The Order adopted the Joint Proposal ("JP"), dated May 18, 2010, filed in Case 09-G-0795.

### **Tariff Changes**

The Order (JP, p. 49) provides that all provisions adopted by the Order continue after September 30, 2013, "unless otherwise expressly provided." Although the JP does not expressly provide for the termination of certain tariff provisions, provisions related to reconnection fee waivers for low income customers, and low income program, transition adjustment and merchant function charge reconciliations indicate that these will end at the conclusion of Rate Year 3 (September 30, 2013). As a result, the following tariff changes have been made to continue these provisions beyond Rate Year 3, in accordance with the JP:

• The Company will continue to grant reconnection charge waivers to customers enrolled in the low-income program, provided such waivers do not exceed

- \$225,000 in aggregate for the period October 1, 2010 through the end of the Gas Rate Plan (Leaf 76.1).
- The Company will continue to reconcile the low income discount amounts to the level set in rates for the term of the Gas Rate Plan with the elimination of the end-date of September 30, 2013 (Leaf 180).
- The Company will continue the Transition Adjustment and Merchant Function Charge reconciliations for the term of the Gas Rate Plan with the elimination of wording related to only three Rate Years (Leaves 178 and 178.1).

In addition, the Rate Plan also expressly provides for the continuation of the Rate Year 3 targets for any additional Rate Year(s) for any provision subject to Rate Year ("RY") 1, RY2 and RY3 targets. Since the Merchant Function Charge provision in the tariff only specifies targets through Rate Year 3, the Company has amended this provision to indicate that the RY3 target will continue for subsequent rate years until a rate plan is adopted in Case 13-G-0031 (Leaf 178.1).

## **Conclusion and Notice**

Consistent with Ordering Clause 4 of the Order, the Company has filed its tariff amendments on no less than thirty days' notice, to take effect on a temporary basis, on October 1, 2013.

The Company also respectfully requests a waiver of notice requirements of the proposed changes since the changes only clarify the terms of the Gas Joint Proposal issued in Case 09-G-0795 and not changes in the content of the Joint Proposal. Consistent with Ordering Clause 5 of the Order, the Company is serving copies of this filing upon all parties to Case 09-G-0795 or, where a party cannot accept electronic service, by first class mail.

Sincerely,

/s/ William A. Atzl, Jr.
Director
Rate Engineering Department

# Appendix A

# PSC No. 9 – Gas: List of Tariff Changes

	Revision	Superseding
Leaf No.	<u>No.*</u>	Revision. No.
76.1	5	3
178	13	11
178.1	7	5
180	11	9

<sup>\*</sup>The Prior version of these leaves is pending in Case 13-G-0031