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Honorable Jeffrey C. Cohen  
Acting Secretary  
State of New York  
Public Service Commission  
Three Empire State Plaza  
Albany, NY 12223

Re: Rates for Use of Company Facilities for  
Telecommunications Purposes

Dear Acting Secretary Cohen:

Consolidated Edison Company of New York, Inc. ("Con Edison" or "Company") hereby files with the Public Service Commission ("the Commission") TEL Statement No. 3 to its Schedule for Electric Service, P.S.C. No. 10 – Electricity ("Tariff"). This compliance filing updates the rental rates for billings under Rider X of the Company's tariff. This statement is issued August 1, 2013, to become effective on September 1, 2013.

Rider X provides for Con Edison's rental rates to be updated periodically, and at least annually effective September 1, to reflect the cost of new construction undertaken by the Company at the request of its telecommunications customers for space in its underground facilities. The Company's rental rates applicable to the use of Company facilities by telecom providers were last updated in a filing made on August 1, 2012 to become effective September 1, 2012.

#### **Summary of Proposed Changes**

The attached Statement of Rental Rates Applicable to Telecommunications Companies ("Statement") reflects adjustments to the rates applicable to the use of Company facilities by telecom providers as described below:

- Rental Rate for Use of Innerduct, except in service laterals: the updated blended rate per foot of innerduct in use or reserved is \$4.4655 per foot and reflects verified construction charges over a ten-year period. This is a decrease from the current rate of \$4.7738 per foot. The decrease is due primarily to the drop out of approximately \$4.3 million in telecommunications underground facilities costs that have been recovered over a ten-year period, partially offset by an overall reduction in footage used or reserved. Following the completion of the ten-year initial term on certain Rider X facilities in use or reserved, one of the Company's

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Rider X customers did not renew its agreement for those underground facilities going forward.

- Rental Rate for Use of Innerduct in Service Laterals: the updated service lateral rate is \$4.14 per foot. This is an increase from the existing rate of \$4.12 per foot.
- Rental Rate for Use of a Telecommunications Manhole: the updated rate per telecommunications manhole use is \$2,223. This is a decrease from the existing rate of \$3,115, due mainly to an increase in the number of Telecommunications Manhole Uses. The number of Telecommunications Manhole Uses used to determine the Telecom Manhole Rate has increased from 294 to 412.
- Rental Rate for an Electric Manhole as a Splice Enclosure
  - a) Up to and including 40 feet of loop length: the updated rate is \$79.3920, which is 40 feet multiplied by the updated electric underground facilities rate of \$1.9848. The current rate of \$77.8400 reflects 40 feet multiplied by the existing electric underground facilities rate of \$1.9460.
  - b) Exceeding 40 feet of loop length: the annual charge is equal to the new updated electric underground facilities rate of \$1.9848 per foot over 40 feet.
- Rental Rate for a Telecom Manhole as a Splice Enclosure
  - a) Annual rate for the first 240 aggregate feet of loop length: this is unchanged, at no charge.
  - b) Annual rate per foot of total aggregate loop length when the 240 foot allowable maximum is exceeded: this is 10 times the blended rate of \$4.4655, or \$44.6550 per foot of total aggregate loop length.
- Rental Rate for an Electric Manhole Point of Entry ("POE"): the annual rate per POE has increased from \$86.3594 to \$86.8594.
- Submarine River Crossings: the rental rate per innerduct for river crossing A remains \$153,868 per year; for river crossing B, the rental rate remains \$473,149 per year; for river crossing C, the rental rate increases from \$239,496 to \$279,366 per year; for river crossing D, the rental rate remains \$4,611 per year, and for river crossing E, the rental rate remains \$1,427 per year. The Company has reevaluated the number of users in each river crossing and concluded that the number of users in river crossing C decreased by one. As a result, the rental rate for river crossing C has increased.
- Transmission Towers: the rental rate for tower attachments on the Company's "K" and "E" lines remains constant at \$1,038 and \$524, respectively.
- Rights-of-Way ("ROW") Access: charges for the use of Company ROW for

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overhead and underground telecommunication installations have been increased from \$0.7412 per foot to \$0.7634 per foot for aerial passage on a ROW and from \$1.5126 to \$1.5580 per foot for underground passage on a ROW.

- Telecommunications Manhole Average Cost: the average cost for a telecommunications manhole remains at \$40,667.
- Unused Telecommunications Manhole Average Cost: the average cost for an unused telecommunications manhole remains at \$35,249.

Work papers explaining the bases for these adjustments are attached. Copies of this filing are being mailed by regular mail and sent via e-mail to Rider X customers. Questions regarding this filing can be directed to Cheryl Ruggiero at (212) 460-3189.

Very truly yours,

/s/

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