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

RE: Cases 15-E-0050, 13-E-0030, and 13-G-0031, Advanced Metering Infrastructure

Dear Secretary Burgess:

On July 29, 2016, Consolidated Edison Company of New York, Inc. (the "Company") made electric and gas tariff filings with the Public Service Commission (the "Commission") to change the AMR/AMI meter opt-out provisions in the Company's Schedule for Electricity Service, P.S.C. No. 10 – Electricity and its Schedule for Gas Service, P.S.C. No. 9 - Gas. The Company filed further tariff changes on November 14 and December 14, 2016, following discussions with Staff of the Department of Public Service ("Staff"). The tariff filings made on July 29, November 14, and December 14, 2016, are currently postponed to February 1, 2017.

At the request of Staff, the Company is filing to further postpone the effective date of these electric and gas tariff changes. Accordingly, the Company hereby submits Supplement No. 42 to P.S.C. No. 10 – Electricity and Supplement No. 76 to P.S.C. No. 9 – Gas to postpone the effective date of the tariff changes to March 20, 2017.

The Supplements are issued on 30 days' notice and have an effective date of February 4, 2017. However, since the pending tariff leaves currently have an effective date of February 1, 2017, the Company requests that it be authorized to put the Supplements into effect on short notice, <u>i.e.</u>, February 1, 2017. The Company also respectfully requests waiver of notice requirements of the proposed change in the effective date.

While the Company has agreed to this Staff request for further postponement, the Company respectfully requests the Commission to take action on its outstanding tariff AMR/AMI filings without further postponement for several reasons. These amendments were filed as directed by the Commission's March 17, 2016 Order Approving Advanced Metering Infrastructure Business Plan Subject to Conditions ("AMI Order") to expand

the ability of residential customers to opt-out of AMI metering. Currently, the tariffs permit opt-out by residential customers only in one- to-four-family homes, while these amendments allow customers in multi-family buildings to opt-out as well. Unlike other utilities, the Company is beginning a service-territory-wide deployment of AMI, and the AMI Order directed these tariff changes in recognition of certain customers' privacy-related concerns associated with AMI metering. Further delay will cause customer confusion as the Company begins to communicate with customers and continues to reach out to governmental and community organizations about the AMI deployment.

Sincerely,

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