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January 29, 2016

Honorable Kathleen H. Burgess Secretary State of New York Public Service Commission Three Empire Plaza Albany, New York 12223

Re: In the Matter of Retail Access Business Rules

Dear Secretary Burgess:

Orange and Rockland Utilities, Inc. (the "Company") hereby submits for filing with the Public Service Commission (the "Commission") 18th Revised Leaf No. 155 and a revised addendum, Addendum-UBP-12, reflecting revisions to its Schedule for Gas Service, P.S.C. No. 4 – Gas (the "Tariff"). This leaf and Addendum-UBP-12 are issued January 29, 2016, to become effective March 1, 2016.

Tariff Change

The Commission's <u>Order Authorizing Accelerated Switching of Natural Gas Commodity</u> <u>Suppliers And Related Matters</u> (the "Order"), issued and effective December 23, 2015, in Cases 12-M-0476, 98-M-1343, 06-M-0647, and 98-M-0667, approved a change to the Uniform Business Practices (the "UBP") relating to the requirements of when an enrollment request must be submitted to the utility to change a customer's natural gas commodity provider. The approved change to the UBP modified that timeframe from at least 15 days prior to the effective date of the switch, to at least 10 business days prior to the effective date of the switch. Pursuant to Ordering Clause 2 of the Order, the Company is filing the updated UBP as an addendum to its Tariff.

Ordering Clause 3 of the Order also required the utilities that have tariffed provisions providing for retail access to implement any changes necessary to effectuate the UBP modifications. One provision of the Company's Tariff requires modification, i.e., the Company's provisions for Winter Bundled Sales Service under Service Classification No. 11. Specifically, the Tariff currently states that a commodity provider shall abide by a nomination process whereby the commodity provider informs the Company of customers who have been added or dropped by the commodity provider by the 15th of each month. The Company has revised this provision to state that the commodity provider now has to provide such a list at least 10 business days prior to the first of the following month.

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Conclusion

Pursuant to the Order, the Company is filing the updated UBP and Leaf 155 to become effective on March 1, 2016. The Company respectfully requests waiver of the requirement for newspaper publication.

Questions regarding this filing can be directed to Cheryl Ruggiero at (212) 460-3189.

Very truly yours,

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