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NIAGARA MOHAWK POWER CORPORATION

October 1, 1999

Honorable Debra Renner
Acting Secretary
State of New York
Department of Public Service
Three Empire State Plaza
Albany, New York 12223

Dear Acting Secretary Renner:

The enclosed leaves, issued by Niagara Mohawk, are transmitted for filing in accordance with the requirements of the Public Service Commission, State of New York:

Seventh Revised Leaf No.	190
Sixth Revised Leaf No.	191
Sixth Revised Leaf No.	194
Original Leaf No.	194.1
Fifth Revised Leaf No.	195

Standby Capacity Charge Statement No. 1

To P.S.C. 218 Gas
Effective: November 1, 1999

The tariff leaves filed herein are filed in compliance with Ordering Paragraph 2 of the Commission's Order issued and effective August 19, 1999, in Case No. 97-G-1380.

The Commission currently requires that Marketers serving firm customers have firm, non-recallable, primary delivery point pipeline capacity for the winter months November through March. The August 19th Order requires Local Distribution Companies (LDC's) to allow an alternative under which a Marketer can serve the market with secondary capacity and pay the LDC a Standby Charge for Primary Delivery Point Pipeline Capacity. The enclosed tariff leaves and the Statement of Standby Capacity Charge provide for that alternative. The Standby Capacity Charge Rate is based on the difference between the Maximum Tariff Rate for CNG Primary Firm Capacity and revenues received for recallable released capacity.

As indicated in Ordering Clause 4, the requirements of Section 66(12) (b) of the Public Service Law and 16NYCRR 720-8.1 as to newspaper publication of these amendments are waived for this filing.

Please advise me of any actions taken on this filing. I can be reached at 315-428-5692. A copy of the tariff filing and workpapers have been sent directly to the Commission's Staff.

Sincerely,

Received: 10/1/1999

Marcia G. Collier
Manager, Gas Rates

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