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NIAGARA MOHAWK POWER CORPORATION
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Syracuse, New York 13202

September 11, 1998

Honorable John C. Crary
Secretary
Public Service Commission
3 Empire State Plaza
Albany, New York 12223

Dear Secretary Crary:

The attached tariff leaves, issued by Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation ("Company"), are being transmitted for filing in accordance with the requirements of the Public Service Commission, State of New York:

Second Revised Leaf No. 7
Second Revised Leaf No. 19
First Revised Leaf No. 29
First Revised Leaf No. 32
Second Revised Leaf No. 40
Second Revised Leaf No. 61
Second Revised Leaf No. 64
Second Revised Leaf No. 72
Second Revised Leaf No. 73
Third Revised Leaf No. 82
First Revised Leaf No. 90
Second Revised Leaf No. 94

To PSC No. 214 Electricity

Effective: November 25, 1998

The purpose of this filing is to propose to amend the tariff language contained in P.S.C. No. 214 - Outdoor Lighting to conform to the billing specifications of Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation's new billing system, Customer Service System (CSS), which is scheduled to be operational on November 25, 1998. Proposed amendments are concurrently being filed for PSC No. 207 - Electricity and PSC No. 218 - Gas to incorporate these changes as well.

Although the CSS is scheduled to be fully operational to bill all service classes on an actual day basis on November 25, 1998, the possibility exists that the effective date may be postponed and/or some classes would not be able to be billed at that time due to unforeseen circumstances. Niagara Mohawk is respectfully requesting that if either or both such conditions occurs, the Company would be able to amend this filing accordingly to react to the modification in implementation plans.

The Company is requesting that this filing become effective on an emergency basis and that the requirements of the SAPA be waived so these leaves would become effective on November 25, 1998. This will ensure that all customer's bills will be stated on a monthly basis to coincide with the

effective date of the CSS.

The notice required by the State Administrative Procedures Act is enclosed.

Newspaper publication of the proposed changes as required by 16NYCRR 136.70 will be made on September 23 and 30 and October 7 and 14, 1998.

Rate design related questions should be directed to David F. McIntyre, (315) 428-6828. Questions regarding the Customer Service System should be directed to Thomas C. Penafeather, (315) 460-7515.

Please advise the undersigned of any further action regarding this proceeding.

Very truly yours,

NIAGARA MOHAWK POWER CORPORATION

George A. Bauman, Manager
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Attachment