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**CONSOLIDATED EDISON COMPANY OF NEW YORK, INC.
4 Irving Place
New York, NY 10003**

Hon. Janet Deixler
Secretary
State of New York
Public Service Commission
Three Empire State Plaza
Albany, NY 12223

Re: Case 00-M-1556 - In the Matter of the Proposed Accounting
and Ratemaking for the Tax Law Changes Included in the 2000
- 2001 New York State Budget

Dear Secretary Deixler:

By letter dated November 27, 2002, ("November 27th Filing") Consolidated Edison Company of New York, Inc. ("Con Edison" or "the Company") filed proposed changes to its Schedule for Gas Service, P.S.C. No. 9 - Gas, in compliance with the Public Service Commission's "Order Implementing Tax Law Changes On A Permanent Basis" issued June 28, 2001 in the above-referenced proceeding. These changes implemented, among other things, separate gross receipts tax ("GRT") rates applicable to the commodity and delivery rates and charges of residential and non-residential sales and transportation customers.

In this filing, the Company is proposing minor changes to the Company's November 27th Filing to clarify the application of GRT to security deposits, late payment charges, and to the non-residential and residential use of its customers.

The changes to the Company's Schedule for Gas Service are set forth in the following revised tariff leaves issued December 19, 2002, to become effective January 1, 2003:

Leaf No. 167.1 - Revision 1
Superseding Revision 0

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Leaf 169 - Revision 3
Superseding Revision 2

Summary of Tariff Changes

In its November 27th Filing, the Company inadvertently included late payment charges and security deposits as delivery charges to which GRT is applied. Since GRT is not currently applied on late payment charges or security deposits, the tariff provision on Leaf No. 167.1 has been amended accordingly.

Also, in the tariff provision on Leaf No. 169 pertaining to the application of GRT to residential and non-residential service, changes have been made to clarify that this provision applies to firm customers taking service under SC Nos. 1,2,3,9 and 13, and to off-peak firm customers taking service under SC Nos. 9 and 12. A new sentence has been added to further clarify the application of GRT on the residential and non-residential use of interruptible customers. Currently, the monthly Statements of Rate for SC Nos. 9 and 12 list separate rates applicable to the residential and non-residential use of interruptible customers. Since such rates are prorated based on a Customer's percentage of residential use, the appropriate residential and non-residential GRT rates will be applied to the corresponding residential and non-residential rates and charges.

Waiver of Newspaper Publication

Since there are no material tariff changes being made in this filing, the Company respectfully requests that further newspaper publication of the changes proposed herein be waived. The Company has commenced newspaper publication of its November 27th Filing and will file proof of same pursuant to 16 NYCRR § 720-8.1(a) as soon as such publication is completed. Copies of this filing are also being sent to gas marketers serving transportation customers in the Company's service area.

Sincerely,

Joel H. Charkow
Director
Rate Engineering Department