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NIAGARA MOHAWK POWER CORPORATION
October 26, 1998

Honorable Debra Renner, Acting Secretary
State of New York
Public Service Commission
Office of the Secretary, 19th Floor
Three Empire State Plaza
Albany, NY 12223

RE: Case No. 98-G-1292

Dear Acting Secretary Renner:

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

Second Revised Leaf No. 82

to P.S.C. No. 218 Gas

Effective: November 25, 1998

The purpose of this filing is to further amend the filing issued September 11, 1998 with a proposed effective date of November 25, 1998 in Case No. 98-G-1292 which proposes to adjust specific rates and charges and amend the tariff language contained in P.S.C. No. 218 Gas 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. The above leaf amends the language in the Monthly Budget Payment Plan contained in Rule 15.7.6.3.

These further revisions are the result of discussions between Niagara Mohawk Staff and Staff of the Public Service Commission.

As stated in the original filing, 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 notice required by the State Administrative Procedures Act was enclosed with the filing submitted to the Commission on September 11, 1998

Newspaper publication of the proposed changes as required by 16NYCRR 270.70 has been made with the original filing.

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

Very truly yours,

NIAGARA MOHAWK POWER
CORPORATION

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