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

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

RE: Reconciliation of Temporary Metropolitan Transportation
Business Tax Surcharge Revenues

Dear Acting Secretary Renner:

Consolidated Edison Company of New York, Inc. ("Con Edison" or the "Company") is filing today the following revisions to the "Statement of Percentage Increase in Rates and Charges" separately stated on Con Edison's gas tariff:

Statement No. 3 to PSC No. 9 - Gas

These statements are issued May 7, 1999, to become effective June 1, 1999.

Explanation of the Statement Changes

The revisions to the "Statement of Percentage Increase in rates and charges" applicable to Con Edison's gas tariff, to take place beginning June 1999, reflect the annual reconciliation of MTA Business Tax Surcharge revenues and expenses.

The Company's tariffs (PSC No. 9-Gas - Leaf No. 167.0) provide that the revenues collected during the MTA surcharge billing year (April 1, 1998 through March 31, 1999) be compared with the MTA surcharge expense for calendar year 1997. This comparison, as detailed in Attachment A, shows that the Company under-collected by about \$219,000 for its gas operations.

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The above referenced tariff provisions require subsequent bill adjustments in the event the revenues produced by the MTA surcharge in the twelve-month period are substantially higher or lower (equal to or greater than plus or minus 0.5 percent) than the tax expense incurred. For gas service the reconciliation adjustment will be 0.5088%.

For gas customers, the effect of the factors in the various Westchester municipalities varies due to the impact of the local levies on the computation of the effective tax factors used in the electric and gas statements.

Respectfully submitted,

CONSOLIDATED EDISON COMPANY OF NEW YORK, INC.

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Enclosures

CONSOLIDATED EDISON COMPANY OF NEW YORK, INC.

RECONCILIATION OF MTA SURCHARGE RESULTING FROM TAX EXPENSE FOR
THE YEAR 1997 UNDER SECTIONS 186-B AND 186-C OF THE NEW YORK STATE LAW

Line No.

Gas

1.	Total MTA Surcharge Amount	\$ 8,133,852.21
2.	MTA Collected 4/98 -- 3/99	<u>\$ 7,914,930.00</u>
3.	Amount Under - / (Over-) Collected (1-2)	\$ 218,922.21
4.	Estimated June Revenues to Which Under-/(Over-) collection will be Applied	\$45,944,000.00
5.	Factor Necessary To Charge/Refund Under-/(Over-) Collection (3/4)	0.4765%
6.	Retention Factor	93.6500%
7.	MTA Surcharge Factors	
	NYC	0.5088%
	Yonkers	0.5124%
	5.00 Municipality	0.5016%
	4.00 Municipality	0.4964%