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## NYSEG

August 20, 1997

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

Dear Secretary Crary:

The enclosed Schedule, issued by New York State Electric & Gas Corporation ("NYSEG"), is transmitted for filing in compliance with the requirements of the Public Service Commission of the State of New York.

Schedule PSC No. 89 Gas

Effective November 7, 1997.

### **Proposed New Schedule**

NYSEG is proposing to cancel P.S.C. No. 84 - Gas and replace it with PSC No. 89.

The Public Service Commission has implemented its' Electronic Tariff System ("ETS"), therefore, it is necessary for New York State utilities to file new schedules formatted for the ETS.

PSC No. 89 supersedes NYSEG's P.S.C. No. 84 which represents the sales prices for the Binghamton Districts that was acquired from Columbia Gas of New York on April 5, 1991 (Case 90-G-0755). The prices have not been changed. Appropriate "housekeeping" revisions such as: (1) the tariff has been re-formatted to conform with the requirements of the ETS; (2) section references have been revised as necessary to make them correct; (3) service classifications have been re-numbered to eliminate "cancelled" service classifications and to make the numbering consistent with the service classifications in PSC No. 87; (4) wording was revised as necessary to make it consistent throughout the tariff and with NYSEG's other gas tariffs; (5) references to statements and/or tariffs being "available to the public at the Company offices at which application for service may be made" have been revised to reflect the electronic availability of tariffs and statements. The phrase has been revised and reads "...will be readily accessible to the public"; (6) references to P.S.C. No. 83 - Gas have been changed to PSC No. 88 Gas and references to P.S.C. Nos. 73, 75, 76, 79, 82 and 86 have been changed to PSC No. 87; (7) the "Payment of Unauthorized Takes" section of Service Classification No. 3 has been eliminated. The provisions are obsolete, however, they were inadvertently left in the tariff; and (8) Section 38. Forms has been revised. The forms currently used by the Company are either "on-line" or not available in WordPerfect format. Therefore, based on discussions with Staff, it was agreed that the Company would submit copies of its forms to the Commission under separate cover letter and reference those forms in its' tariffs. The Company has agreed to keep the Commission's file up-to-date by submitting forms whenever they are revised.

### **Reasons for Proposed New Schedule**

The Public Service Commission has developed a new procedure for filing tariffs electronically. To start the new Electronic Tariff System (ETS), it is necessary for New York State utilities to cancel their current schedule(s) and submit new ones formatted for the ETS. The filing of these new schedules presents the opportunity for the utilities to "clean-up" their current tariffs by making "housekeeping" revisions.

On December 18 and December 20, 1996, NYSEG filed the first electronic tariffs, PSC Nos. 87 and 88, respectively. NYSEG had two other tariffs, P.S.C. Nos. 30 and 84, to be filed in the ETS format.

### **Background**

On July 30, 1996, the Commission's Electronic Tariff Team held a meeting to introduce the ETS to New York State gas and electric utilities. Team members explained the need for the new system, how it would benefit the Commission as well as the utilities, and performed a demonstration of how the tariffs will be accessible on the Commission's Home Page on the World Wide Web. Due to the many changes in the format of the tariff leaves and the new procedure for the electronic filing of the tariffs, Staff found it necessary to revise appropriate sections of 16 NYCRR to bring them up-to-date. Staff has sent proposed changes to 16 NYCRR to the utilities for comment.

### **Customer Impact Assessment**

Since all aspects of the current schedule are included in the new schedule, PSC No. 89 Gas, there will be no customer impact.

### **Effect of Proposed Revisions**

Electronic tariff filings will benefit the Commission, the utilities, and the public. Tariffs will be available through the Commission's Home Page on the World Wide Web which will make accessibility by the public easy and cost effective.

### **Newspaper Publication & SAPA**

NYSEG requests waiver of publication of this proposed tariff in accordance with 16 NYCRR Part 270.70, since the submission of this new tariff will have NO direct impact to NYSEG's gas customers.

A State Administrative Procedure Act Notice is enclosed for publication in the State Bulletin.

### **Special Requests**

NYSEG requests a waiver from the applicable sections of 16 NYCRR Part 270 to allow for the new electronic format.

### **Company Contacts**

If you have any questions regarding this tariff revision, please contact me at (607)762-5611.

Very Truly Yours,

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