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NIAGARA MOHAWK POWER CORPORATION

January 3, 2000

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

Dear Acting Secretary Renner:

The enclosed postponement supplement, issued by Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation, is transmitted for filing in compliance with the requirements of the Public Service Commission.

Postponement Supplement No. 24

To P.S.C. No. 218 Gas

Effective: February 2, 2000

The enclosed postponement supplement requests postponement of the Company*s May 7, 1999 filing in Case No. 99-G-0618. This filing was postponed until December 1, 1999 by Postponement Supplement No. 18, and further postponed until February 1, 2000 by Postponement Supplement No. 22 on November 8, 1999. The Company has been requested by the Commission Staff to further postpone the May 7, 1999 filing until March 1, 2000. This further postponement is intended to allow resolution of the Niagara Mohawk appeal in Case No. 99-E-0503 prior to action to the filing being made herein.

The Company requests permission for this filing to become effective on less than statutory notice effective February 1, 2000 the otherwise effective date of the original May 7, 1999 filing.

The Company also requests waiver of advertising required under the provisions of 16NYCRR.720-8.1 in that this filing is being made as a requirement under the Assurance of Discontinuance.

If you have any questions in regards to this filing please contact Marcia Collier on (315) 428-5692. Please advise the undersigned of any action taken in regards to this filing.

Sincerely,

Marcia G. Collier Manager Gas Rates

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