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May 20, 1999

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

Re: Postponement of filing to establish Business Incentive Rates for commercial and industrial customers within the service territory of MarketSpan Gas Corporation d/b/a Brooklyn Union

Dear Acting Secretary Renner:

Attached for filing electronically with the Commission is Supplement No. 3 to the Schedule for Gas Service, P.S.C. No. 1-GAS issued by MarketSpan Gas Corporation d/b/a Brooklyn Union to become effective May 24, 1999.

The purpose of this filing is to postpone until June 24, 1999, the effective date of the tariff leaves establishing Business Incentive Rates (BIR) for commercial and industrial customers. This postponement is requested to allow for additional time for further review by Commission Staff.

The Company respectfully requests that the attached supplement become effective on short notice on May 21, 1999. Permission is also requested for a waiver from the Commission's regulations governing newspaper publication of the enclosed tariff provisions.

If you have any questions regarding this filing, please contact Mark Marra at 718-403-3046.

Respectfully submitted,

MARKETSPAN GAS CORPORATION D/B/A BROOKLYN UNION

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