May 18, 2005

## VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

Honorable Jaclyn A. Brilling, Secretary State of New York Department of Public Service Three Empire State Plaza Albany, NY 12223

Re: Case No. 05-G-0416

Dear Secretary Brilling:

The enclosed Supplement, issued by New York State Electric & Gas Corporation is transmitted for filing in accordance with the requirements of the New York State Public Service Commission.

Supplement No. 17 to PSC No. 88 – Gas

Effective June 18, 2005.

This postponement supplement is being filed at the request of the Department of Public Service Staff. This supplement proposes to postpone the effective date of the filed tariff leaf until August 1, 2005.

If you have any questions concerning this filing, please call Lori Cole at (607) 762-8710 or me at (607) 762-7341.

Very truly yours,

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Enclosures