



national fuel

January 21, 2005

Hon. Jaclyn A. Brillling
Secretary
Public Service Commission
Three Empire State Plaza
Albany, NY 12123-1350

Re: Case No. 04-G-1047 – Proceeding on Motion of the Commission
as to the Rates, Charges, Rules and Regulations of National Fuel
Gas Distribution Corporation for Gas Service

Dear Secretary Brillling:

National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation (“Distribution” or the “Company”) submits the following amendment to its tariff, P.S.C. No. 8 - GAS:

Supplement No. 16

The proposed revision is issued as of today for an effective date of January 27, 2005.

Explanation of Filing

Distribution submitted tariff amendments proposing to increase annual revenue recovered in base rates by \$60.9 million. The elimination of surcharges and other changes would produce a net aggregate bill increase of \$41.3 million or approximately 5.6%. The sole purpose of this filing is to defer the proposed tariff amendments until July 28, 2005 to comply with the Commission’s Order issued and effective January 20, 2005.

Company Contact

For questions relating to this filing, please contact the undersigned or Eric Meinl at (716) 857-7000.

Respectfully submitted,

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