

PSC NO. 9 GAS
CONSOLIDATED EDISON COMPANY OF NEW YORK, INC.

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4 Irving Place
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October 22, 2003

Hon. Jaclyn Brilling
Acting Secretary
Public Service Commission
State of New York
Three Empire State Plaza
Albany, NY 12223

Dear Acting Secretary Brilling:

By letter dated July 23, 2003, Consolidated Edison Company of New York, Inc. ("the Company") filed with the Public Service Commission ("Commission") tariff amendments to its Schedule for Gas Service, PSC No. 9–Gas, to become effective November 1, 2003, related to the distributed generation rates for commercial and industrial customers.

At the request of Commission Staff, the Company hereby requests that the effective date of the tariff amendments be postponed to January 1, 2004.

The Company accordingly files supplement No. 17 to postpone the effective date of the tariff amendments in its July 23, 2003 filing to January 1, 2004. Supplement No. 17 is issued October 22, 2003, with an effective date of November 21, 2003. The Company requests that Supplement No. 17 be put into effect on short notice, on November 1, 2003, and that the requirements for newspaper publication be waived.

Respectfully submitted,

CONSOLIDATED EDISON COMPANY OF NEW YORK, INC.

By: _____
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