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Honorable Jaclyn A. Brilling, Secretary New York State Public Service Commission Three Empire State Plaza Albany, NY 12223-1350

Re: Capacity Release Service

Case No. 09-G-0567

Dear Secretary Brilling:

By letter dated July 20, 2009, Orange and Rockland Utilities, Inc. (the "Company") filed with the Public Service Commission (the "Commission") amendments to its Schedule for Gas Service, PSC No. 4 – Gas to become effective November 1, 2009, proposing to modify the Company's capacity release service available to Qualified Sellers serving firm transportation customers.

The Commission Staff has requested a postponement of the effective date of the proposed tariff amendments to April 1, 2010, to provide Marketers with additional time to incorporate the capacity pricing into their agreements.

The Company accordingly files Supplement No. 51 to postpone the effective date of the tariff amendments included in its July 20, 2009 filing to April 1, 2010. Supplement No. 51 is issued October 1, 2009, with an effective date of October 31, 2009. The Company requests that the requirements for newspaper publication be waived.

Any questions regarding this filing can be directed to me at (212) 460-3308.

Very truly yours,

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William A. Atzl, Jr. Director – O&R Rates