

December 14, 2012

Honorable Jaclyn A. Brilling Secretary State of New York Public Service Commission Three Empire State Plaza Albany, New York 12223 Orange and Rockland Utilities, Inc. 4 Irving Place New York NY 10003-0987 www.oru.com

Re: Annual System Benefits Charge Filing

Dear Secretary Brilling,

Orange and Rockland Utilities, Inc. (the "Company") herein submits for filing its Statement of System Benefits Charge, Statement No. SBC – 9 to its Schedule for Gas Service, P.S.C. No. 4 – GAS. This Statement is issued December 14, 2012, to become effective with service rendered on or after January 1, 2013.

This filing is in accordance with General Information Section 23 of the Company's Schedule for Gas Service requiring an annual SBC filing in accordance with the Commission's October 23, 2009 and January 4, 2010 Orders in Case 08-E-1128 ("October 2009 Order" and "January 2010 Order"), December 30, 2010 Order in Case 10-M-0457 ("December 2010 Order"), and October 25, 2011 Order in Case 07-M-0548 ("October 2011 Order").

The proposed SBC rate is based on an SBC collection target of \$1,445,534 for the period January 1, 2013 through December 31, 2013 as shown below.

	2013 Collection
<u>Order</u>	<u>Target</u>
October 2009	\$10,007
January 2010	34,745
December 2010	175,434
October 2011	<u>1,225,348</u>
Total	\$1,445,534

The determination of the proposed SBC rate also includes (1) the refund of the estimated interest of \$10,240 on SBC/EEPS monies held for calendar year 2012 prior to being expended by the Company or transferred to NYSERDA, and (2) a reconciliation of SBC recoveries for the period January through December 2012, and the SBC collection target for the same period. The amount over-collected for the reconciliation period is \$53,152. The resulting SBC rate is 0.715 cents per Ccf.

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

Very truly yours,

/s/ William A. Atzl, Jr. Director – Rate Engineering