



September 28, 2015

### **VIA ELECTRONIC SERVICE**

Honorable Kathleen H. Burgess Secretary New York Public Service Commission Three Empire State Plaza Albany, NY 12223-1350

Re: Case 15-E-0082 - Proceeding on Motion of the Commission as to the Policies, Requirements and Conditions for Implementing a Community Net Metering Program

### Dear Secretary Burgess:

New York State Electric & Gas Corporation and Rochester Gas and Electric Corporation (together the "Companies") hereby transmit for filing the enclosed tariff leaves in compliance with the New York Public Service Commission's ("Commission") <u>Order Establishing a Community Distributed Generation Program and Making Other Findings</u>, issued and effective on July 17, 2015 (the "Order"), in the above-referenced proceeding. These tariff leaves are transmitted for filing in compliance as identified herein and in accordance with the requirements of Appendix 7-H (electronic tariff filing system) to the Commission's Codes, Rules and Regulations (16 NYCRR Appendix 7-H).

A list of the revised tariff leaves to become effective October 19, 2015 is provided as Appendix A.

### **Purpose of the Filing**

The Companies are filing tariff amendments in compliance with Ordering Clause No. 3 of the Order to implement Community Distributed Generation ("DG") programs, consistent with the instructions and requirements set forth in the Order<sup>1</sup>.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Secretary issued a Ruling on September 9, 2015 that provided an extension until September 28, 2015 for filing tariff revisions.





### **Overview**

In accordance with the Order, the Companies are filing tariff revisions to implement a Community DG program that provides opportunities for customers to participate in clean DG that would not be able to access that generation directly.

The Community DG program is predicated upon the laws as established under Public Service Laws 66-j and 66-l and will be available to certain areas on October 19, 2015<sup>2</sup>. On May 1, 2016, the Community DG program will be available to eligible customers, on a first come, first serve basis until the total rated generating capacity for CDG Projects, solar, farm waste, Micro-CHP and fuel cell electric generating equipment owned, leased or operated by the customer-generators in each Company's service area is equivalent to 6% of the Company's electric demand for 2005.

A Community DG Host shall certify with the Commission that it meets the requirements to be able to offer contractual arrangements for Community DG<sup>3</sup>. Upon certification, the Host will be responsible for managing the membership for their project and exchanging information electronically with the Companies to establish the credits on members' bills. The Companies' Community DG Operating Procedure, which is separate from the Tariff, will be posted to the Companies' website. The Community DG Operating Procedure will provide the format and requirements for Community DG Hosts' submissions, including the application for Community DG service, and identify consumer protections required of Community DG Hosts until such time that the PSC establishes the Uniform Business Practices for Distributed Energy Resource Providers<sup>4</sup>. The Companies are working with the other state electric distribution companies to coordinate these procedures.

The Satellite members are able to participate in one Community DG project. Similarly to tariff requirements applicable to Remote Net Metering, Satellites that participated in Community DG are to be located within the same NYISO zone and within the Company's service territory. In accordance with the Order, the Companies are requiring that a Satellite member only participate in one Community DG project.

On an annual basis, the Company will furnish to the Hosts any excess credits to be re-allocated to the Satellite members. The Host shall provide such information within 30 days of receipt of

Products.



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> In accordance with the Order, the Company identified Opportunity Zones and made them available on its website on August 31, 2015. Initially, the project for the Community DG is to be located within the Opportunity Zone or include low income membership of at least 20% if its located outside of an Opportunity Zone.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The Host shall be a non-residential customer that owns or operates the generation facility. The Host shall submit its initial certification and annually thereafter that its project meets the requirements established for Community DG. <sup>4</sup> Case No. 15-M-0180, *In the Matter of Regulation and Oversight of Distributed Energy Resource Providers and* 

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the amount of excess credit to be re-distributed to members to ensure proper sizing of members and allocation of credits.

# **Newspaper Publication**

In accordance with Ordering Clause 4 of the Order, the requirements of 66(12)(b) of the Public Service Law requiring newspaper publication has been waived.

## **Company Contact**

If there are any questions concerning this filing, please call me at (607) 762-8710.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori A. Cole

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**Enclosures** 

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### **APPENDIX A**

Below is a list of the revised tariff leaves to become effective October 19, 2015:

### P.S.C. No. 120 – Electric, Schedule for Electric Service

Leaf No. 117.46.20, Revision 0

Leaf No. 117.46.21, Revision 0

Leaf No. 117.46.22, Revision 0

Leaf No. 117.46.23, Revision 0

Leaf No. 127, Revision 9

Leaf No. 153, Revision 5

Leaf No. 181, Revision 6

Leaf No. 255, Revision 5

Leaf No. 266.1, Revision 5

Leaf No. 274.1, Revision 10

Leaf No. 304.1, Revision 5

### P.S.C. No. 19 – Electric, Schedule for Electric Service

Leaf No. 160.39.15, Revision 1

Leaf No. 160.39.16, Revision 0

Leaf No. 160.39.17, Revision 0

Leaf No. 160.39.18, Revision 0

Leaf No. 163.2, Revision 6

Leaf No. 165.2, Revision 4

Leaf No. 173.2, Revision 3

Leaf No. 178.2, Revision 6

Leaf No. 193.4, Revision 4

Leaf No. 204.2, Revision 4

