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## SERVICE CLASSIFICATION NO. 11 (Cont'd.)

## **DISCONTINUANCE OF SERVICE BY A SELLER:** (Cont'd.)

Assignment of Seller Contracts (Cont'd.)

- 1) of the date of the assignments;
- 2) that service will be provided by the assigned Seller beginning at the first Effective Switch Date after the notice period;
- of their rights (if any) to object to the transfers and be returned to the Company's service for gas supply or select another Seller; and
- 4) of any changes in the contract or disclosure statement terms resulting from the assignment including ministerial changes such as telephone numbers, mailing addresses, etc.

The Company shall within 5 calendar days of the receipt of the notice of transfer from the Seller submit to the Department of Public Service a copy of the letter to the affected customers advising them the transfer requests have been received and will be executed unless the customers, to the extent permitted by their contracts, arrange for alternative service from other Sellers or the Company. The Company will send the notice to the affected customers within 24 hours of approval by the Department of Public Service.

If the Company learns that a Seller has discontinued operations in its service territory without giving the proper notice to its retail customers and to the Company in accordance with the above requirements prior to discontinuing operations, the Company shall immediately inform the Commission and, if directed, notify all of the Seller's customers in accordance with the procedure above.

If the Seller does not provide the required notice to its retail customers and the Company, the Seller may be determined ineligible by the Commission to sell gas to retail customers in New York State and/or may be assessed a monetary penalty by the Commission.

If a more expeditious transfer process is desired, the Seller may provide a showing of need and request such expedited treatment from the Commission or its designee.

Upon a Seller's discontinuance of service, the Company may exercise the assignment/designation rights described in Capacity Option B of the Capacity Options For Sellers section of this Service Classification. The Company must exercise its assignment/designation rights within 3 business days after being notified that a Seller is discontinuing service. The Assignment of Capacity option would not be applicable to any individual Seller for less than 500 Dths.