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**FORM OF SERVICE AGREEMENT
FOR CORE TRANSPORTATION AND SWING SERVICE
(Service Classification No. 17)**

THIS AGREEMENT entered into this ___ day of _____, _____, by and between The Brooklyn Union Gas Company, a New York Corporation (Company) and _____, a corporation, partnership, individual (Customer).

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the Company's Schedule for Gas Service (Tariff) contains a Service Classification No. 17 (SC-17) pursuant to which the Company offers a transportation and swing service to qualifying customers (CTS Service);

WHEREAS, Customer has requested Company provide Customer CTS Service; and

WHEREAS, Company is willing to provide such service to Customer subject to the terms and conditions herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, Company and Customer agree as follows:

1. Definitions. For the purposes of this Agreement, the following terms shall have the meanings set forth below:

(a) "Average Daily Delivery Quantity" or "ADDQ" means the total quantity of gas Customer is required by the Company to deliver each day to the Company. Such quantity shall be determined at least monthly by the Company, and is subject to the limitations, restrictions, and other provisions contained in this Agreement and the Tariff.

(b) "Human Needs Customer" means a customer who or which cannot be without a sufficient energy back-up and will need to call upon the Company in the event that all of his or its energy options fail. Examples of such customers include, but are not limited to, schools, hospitals, dwellings where gas is used for heating, cooking and comparable residential requirements, and facilities providing essential public services.

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