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Honorable Jeffrey C. Cohen Acting Secretary State of New York Public Service Commission Three Empire State Plaza Albany, NY 12223-1350

RE: Case No. 12-E-0398 – Tariff Filings to Effectuate
Amendments to Public Service Law §66-j (Remote Net
Energy Metering for Micro-Hydro Electric Generating
Systems) and Conforming and Reforming Changes to
Standardized Interconnection Requirements.

## Dear Acting Secretary Cohen:

Orange and Rockland Utilities, Inc. ("O&R" or the "Company") hereby submits for filing the following tariff leaves reflecting revisions to its Schedule for Electric Service, P.S.C. No. 3 – ELECTRICITY ("Electric Tariff").

2nd Revised Leaf No. 181
2nd Revised Leaf No. 187
2nd Revised Leaf No. 188
2nd Revised Leaf No. 189

The Company also hereby submits for filing a revised addendum, Addendum - SIR-3, to its Electric Tariff. The tariff leaves and Addendum - SIR-3 are issued March 29, 2013, to become effective April 1, 2013.

## Reason for Filing

The tariff leaves and Addendum are being filed pursuant to the Commission's <u>Order Modifying Standardized Interconnection Requirements and Modifying and Approving Tariffs</u>, issued and effective March 15, 2013, in Case No. 12-E-0398 (the "Order").

The Order approved, with one modification, the filings made by the Company on October 12, 2012 in Case 12-E-0398, to extend remote net metering to non-residential customers and customers with farm operations who locate micro-hydroelectric generating equipment on property that they own or lease. The Order directed that all utilities file a tariff modification to

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clarify that remote net metering is available to residential customers who own or operate a farm operation and locate solar photovoltaic, micro-hydroelectric, or farm waste generating equipment on property they own or lease. The Order also directed the utilities to comply with the Commission's revised SIR, which was approved by the Order and shown in Appendix 2 to the Order.

## Tariff Leaves and Addendum

The Company is filing revised tariff leaves to make the clarification directed by the Order that residential customers who locate generating equipment on their farm operation are eligible for remote net metering. The Company is also filing revised tariff leaves to reflect the revised SIR (Appendix D), regarding interconnection costs to which customers may be required to contribute. The Company has indicated that customers may be required to contribute to interconnection costs, in addition to the costs related to dedicated transformers and other safety equipment, as specified in the SIR. Because of this change, the Company has deleted text that referred to the cost contribution of customers who have wind electric generating equipment with a rated capacity greater than 25 kW. The Company has also deleted text about customers being required to conform to reasonable safety measures if their generating equipment exceeds or will exceed 20 percent of the rated capacity of the local feeder line: this text is unnecessary given the requirement under Rider N that customers comply with the SIR.

The Company is filing the Commission's revised SIR as Addendum SIR-3.

## **Conclusion and Notice**

The tariff leaves are being filed pursuant to Ordering Clause 2 and Ordering Clause 4 of the Order, to become effective on April 1, 2013, on not less than one day's notice. The SIR is also being filed, effective April 1, 2013, pursuant to Ordering Clause 4 of the Order. Pursuant to Ordering Clause 3, the Commission has waived newspaper publication of the amendments directed by Ordering Clause 2.

Questions regarding this filing can be directed to Cheryl Ruggiero at (212) 460-3189.

Very truly yours,

/s/

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Although the Order directed the utilities to file clarification that remote net metering is available to residential customers who locate solar photovoltaic, micro-hydroelectric or farm waste generating equipment on their farm operation, the Company has also added "farm wind" electric generating equipment to the list of eligible equipment, because customers who own or operate wind generating equipment on their farm operation are also eligible for remote net metering pursuant to Public Service Law, § 66-I(e)(3).