



March 15, 2017

Hon. Kathleen H. Burgess
Secretary
Public Service Commission
Three Empire State Plaza
Albany, NY 12123-1350

**Re: Case No. 16-G-0257 – Further Suspension of the Effective Date
of the Proposed Tariff Schedule, P.S.C. No. 9 – Gas
by National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation**

Dear Secretary Burgess:

On April 28, 2016, National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation (“Distribution” or the “Company”) filed amendments to its new tariff schedule, P.S.C. No. 9 – Gas, which it proposes to supersede its current tariff schedule, P.S.C. No. 8 - Gas. The tariff leaves and addenda were issued with an effective date of May 31, 2016. By Notices issued May 11, 2016 and September 6, 2016, the Commission suspended the proposed amendments through September 27, 2016 and March 27, 2017, respectively. On October 19, 2016, National Fuel agreed to extend the maximum suspension period for one month, through and including April 27, 2017 with a “make whole” provision to facilitate the proceeding’s settlement process.

In compliance with Order Approving Extension of Maximum Suspension Period of Major Rate Filing, issued and effective March 10, 2017, the Company is submitting Supplement No. 3 to P.S.C. No. 9 – Gas suspending the proposed gas delivery revenue increase, tariff leaves and addenda through and including April 27, 2017.

The Company requests approval on one days’ notice because the standard 30 days’ notice period would not expire until after the March 27, 2017 effective date in currently effective Supplement No. 2 to P.S.C. No. 9. The Company also requests waiver of newspaper publication requirements in the Public Service Law §66.12(b) and the Commission's Rules and Regulations set forth in 16 NYCRR §720-8.1 because the instant filing is administrative in nature.

For questions relating to this filing, please contact the undersigned at (716) 857-7884.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Michael E. Novak".

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