



February 28, 2017

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

**Re: Case No. 17-G-0102 – Postponement of Proposed Tariff
Amendment by National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation**

Dear Secretary Burgess:

National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation (“Distribution” or the “Company”) submits the following amendment to its tariff, P.S.C. No. 8 - GAS:

Supplement No. 56

The proposed Supplement issued as of today is issued on 30 days’ notice and has an effective date of March 30, 2017.

On February 21, 2017, Distribution submitted proposed tariff amendments (“Filing”) in response to changes to 49 CFR Part 192 mandated by the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration’s Final Rule issued on October 14, 2016 and effective April 14, 2017. The change to 49 CFR Part 192 requires that excess flow valves be installed at the customer request and consistent with the Final Rule, the proposed revisions had an effective date of April 14, 2017.

Upon discussion with Department of Public Service Staff, Distribution is filing the instant supplement to postpone the effective date of the tariff amendments to May 22, 2017 to provide further time for review pursuant to the State Administrative Procedures Act.

Supplemental Request for Waiver of Publication Requirements

In the Filing, the Company had proposed complying with newspaper publication requirements in the Public Service Law §66.12(b) and in accordance with the Commission's Rules and Regulations set forth in 16 NYCRR §720-8.1 (“Publication Requirements”). Upon further review, the Company now requests waiver of the Publication Requirements. The Company will be posting public notice on its web site and is evaluating use of a bill message or bill insert (collectively “EFV Outreach”). Further, the number of customers with circumstances that would provide a basis to elect to have an excess flow valve installed at their expense is limited.

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In consideration of these circumstances, the Company believes its EFV Outreach approach would be more effective than newspaper publication and as such, its waiver request should be granted.

Additionally, the Company requests waiver of the Publication Requirements for the instant filing for the reasons addressed above.

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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