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Honorable Kathleen H. Burgess
Secretary
State of New York
Public Service Commission
Three Empire State Plaza
Albany, New York 12223

Re: Annual System Benefits Charge ("SBC") Filing

Dear Secretary Burgess,

Orange and Rockland Utilities, Inc. (the "Company") herein submits for filing its Statement of System Benefits Charge, Statement No. SBC – 12 to its Schedule for Gas Service, P.S.C. No. 4 – GAS. This Statement is issued December 15, 2015, to become effective with service rendered on or after January 1, 2016.

This filing is in accordance with General Information Section 23 of the Company's Schedule for Gas Service requiring an annual SBC filing in accordance with the Commission's October 25, 2011 Order in Case 07-M-0548 ("October 2011 Order").

The proposed SBC rate is based on an SBC collection target of \$1,875,895 as contained in the October 2011 Order for the period January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016.

The determination of the proposed SBC rate also includes (1) the refund of the estimated interest of \$24,956 on SBC/EEPS monies held for calendar year 2015 prior to being expended by the Company or transferred to NYSERDA, and (2) a reconciliation of SBC recoveries for the period January through December 2015, and the SBC collection target for the same period. The amount over-collected for the reconciliation period is \$369,295. The resulting SBC rate is 0.739 cents per Ccf.

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

Very truly yours,

/s/

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