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Honorable Kathleen H. Burgess
Secretary
New York State Department of Public Service
3 Empire State Plaza, 19th Floor
Albany, New York 12223

Re: Village of Florida One Percent Tax on
Gross Income

Dear Secretary Burgess:

Orange and Rockland Utilities, Inc. (the "Company") hereby submits for electronic filing its Statement of Increase in Rates and Charges No. RTS-53 to its Schedule for Gas Service, P.S.C. No. 4 – Gas ("Gas Tariff").

The Statement is issued July 11, 2016 to become effective August 1, 2016. General Information Section 15.5 of the Gas Tariff provides for the filing, on not less than fifteen business days notice, of a new Statement whenever there is a change in the rate of tax imposed on the Company or the amount to be collected or reconciled.

Section 5-530 of the Village Law of the State of New York authorizes any Village to impose a tax on utilities, operating within the territorial limits of such Village, equal to 1% of the utilities' gross income derived from transactions within the territorial limits of such Village. The Village of Florida recently enacted legislation to impose such a surcharge. A copy of that local law is enclosed.

By this filing the Company, pursuant to the provisions of the Gas Tariff, proposes to add the Village of Florida to the list of cities and villages in which the Company recovers the additional revenue taxes imposed on it.

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

Very truly yours,

/s/

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