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National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation 10 Lafayette Square Buffalo, NY 14203

July 1, 1998

Hon. John C. Crary, Secretary New York State Department of Public Service Three Empire State Plaza Albany, New York 12223

Dear Secretary Crary:

Enclosed is an electronic copy of Statement No. 2 of the Statement of Effective Revenue Tax Surcharge Adjustment, applicable to all Service Classifications of our Rate Schedule P.S.C. No. 8 - Gas. The Revenue Tax Surcharge Adjustment Statement RTS - 2 bears an issue date of July 1, 1998 and an effective date of July 21, 1998.

This statement is being filed pursuant to General Information Rule 35.

Statement No. 2 reflects a surcharge factor of 5.5409% for the Village of Westfield, which had a 1% Gross Receipts Tax increase effective May 21, 1998. The estimated annual effect on revenue is approximately a \$15,500 increase for 1,280 customers in the Village of Westfield. A hard copy of the supporting workpapers will be submitted in mail.

Very truly yours,

Ronald J. Grabowski General Manager, Valuation

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