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> NIAGARA MOHAWK POWER CORPORATION 300 Erie Blvd. West Syracuse, New York 13202

> > July 19, 2000

Honorable Janet H. Deixler, Secretary Public Service Commission 3 Empire State Plaza Albany, New York 12223

RE: Case Nos. 94-E-0098 and 94-E-0099 Proceedings on Motion of the Commission as to the Rates Charges, Rules and Regulations of Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation for Electric Service and Electric Street Lighting Service

Dear Secretary Deixler:

The attached Supplement No. 10 and leaves issued by Niagara Mohawk are transmitted for filing in accordance with the requirements of the Public Service Commission, State of New York:

Eleventh Revised Leaf No. 73 Third Revised Leaf No. 73.1 Supplement No. 10 To PSC No. 214 Electricity Effective: September 1, 2000

The purpose of this filing is to respectfully request the postponement of the effective date of the leaves and Statement pertaining to S.C. No. 4 -Traffic Control-Unmetered Service which were originally submitted to the Commission on May 4, 2000 in Case Nos. 94-E-0098 and 94-E-0099 in compliance with the Public Service Commission's: 1) Opinion No. 98-8, Opinion and Order Adopting Terms of Settlement Agreement Subject to Modifications and Conditions, issued and effective March 20, 1998 and 2) Order Concerning Tariff Amendments Setting Rates for All Customer Classes and Implementing a Retail Access Program, issued and effective August 26, 1998. These leaves were subsequently revised on June 30, 2000 with an effective date of September 1, 2000.

The above Supplement No. 10 postpones the leaves and Statement regarding S.C. No. 4 - Traffic Signals to October 1, 2000. The remaining leaves in the filing will still become effective September 1, 2000 as per the original compliance filing. Niagara Mohawk has requested this postponement after conversations with PSC Staff advising them that the traffic signal survey required for this filing will not be completed in time to meet the September 1, 2000 effective date.

The need for the above tariff postponement was agreed to in further discussions by both Staff of the Public Service Commission and Staff of Niagara Mohawk.

The leaves filed with this correspondence update the charges on the existing S.C. No. 4 leaves that were effective before the pending S.C. No. 4 - Traffic Control proposal for the Settlement Agreement's third year provisions.

Additionally, the Company bills all traffic control customers on billing batch fourteen of each revenue month cycle. The Company proposes to apply in full the new S.C. No. 4 rate structure and its associated prices, if approved by the Commission, with October's fourteenth billing batch. Due to the numerous and complex billing system modifications that would be necessary, it is not possible to prorate October's bills by utilizing the rate structures and prices in effect before and after October 1, 2000. By application of this proposal, the Company is revenue neutral on a class level basis.

Waiver of newspaper publication is requested for this filing. These requirements were fulfilled with the original filing and made on May 25, June 1, June 8 and June 15, 2000.

Very truly yours,

George A. Bauman Manager - Rate Administration

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