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June 16, 1997

Honorable John C. Crary  
Secretary  
Public Service Commission  
3 Empire State Plaza  
Albany, New York 12223

Dear Secretary Crary:

The enclosed revised leaves, issued by New York State Electric & Gas Corporation ("NYSEG" or the "Company"), are transmitted for filing in compliance with the requirements of the Public Service Commission of the State of New York.

#### **Tariff Amendments**

First	Revised Leaf No. 6 to PSC No. 88 Gas
Second	Revised Leaf No. 7 to PSC No. 88 Gas

Effective September 1, 1997.

#### **Proposed Revisions**

NYSEG proposes to change the definition of "Day" as it is currently defined in its tariff. Specifically, the definition of "Day" would be changed from:

"Day shall mean a period of twenty-four (24) consecutive hours beginning and ending at 8:00 AM Eastern Standard Time (EST)."

to,

"Day shall mean a period of twenty-four (24) consecutive hours beginning and ending at 9:00 AM Central Clock Time."

This change also requires a conforming change in the definition of "Month".

#### **Background**

On July 17, 1996 the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) issued Order No. 587 which revised the FERC regulations as they pertain to interstate natural gas pipelines. Order 587 incorporated by reference numerous business practice standards issued by the Gas Industry Standards Board (GISB). Among these was GISB business practice standard 1.3.1 which states the following:

"Standard time for the gas day should be 9 AM to 9 AM (Central Clock Time)."

Implementation of this standard occurred on various pipelines which serve NYSEG and those transporting on NYSEG's system beginning in April 1997 and concluding in June 1997.

#### **Purpose of the Filing**

The purpose of the filing is to conform NYSEG's definition of "Day" with the GISB standard which has been adopted by the FERC for use by interstate natural gas pipelines.

#### **Objectives**

The change is intended to facilitate and enhance the transacting of business between NYSEG, its customers, third-party suppliers, and interstate natural gas pipelines.

**Effect of Proposed Revisions**

NYSEG submits that this action will benefit customers by implementing a standard day for use by all parties, thereby eliminating the confusion and measurement discrepancies which would likely arise due to individual parties employing different definitions.

**Newspaper Publication**

NYSEG requests waiver from newspaper publication, pursuant to 16 NYCRR 270.70(a), of this proposed change due to the fact that this tariff change applies to a limited number of customers whom will be notified directly.

**Company Contacts**

If you have any questions regarding this tariff revision, please contact Dan Verdun at (607) 762-4296.

Very Truly Yours,

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