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Via Electronic Transfer

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

Re: Case 97-G-0600 - In the Matter of the Commission's Request for Gas
Distribution Companies to Reduce Gas Cost Volatility and Provide
for Alternative Gas Purchasing Mechanisms

Dear Secretary Crary:

Orange and Rockland Utilities, Inc. hereby submits for filing five
copies each of the following tariff leaves reflecting proposed changes to its
Schedule for Gas Service, P.S.C. No. 3 - GAS:

Leaf 73	Leaf 81.1
Leaf 74	Leaf 115
Leaf 79	Leaf 117
Leaf 80	Leaf 128
Leaf 81	Leaf 128.1

These leaves are to become effective November 7, 1997, and are submitted
in compliance with the Commission's Order Resolving Petitions for Rehearing
and Requiring the Filing of Fixed Price Option Tariffs, issued and effective
October 7, 1997, in the above-captioned proceeding.

The filing adds a Fixed-Price Gas Option to Orange and Rockland's
Service Classification Nos. 1, 2, and 5 (firm gas sales services) and makes
corresponding revisions to the Gas Adjustment Charge provisions of Section
12.1 in the General Information section of the Company's gas tariff.

The Fixed-Price Gas Option will be in place from December 1, 1997,
through April 30, 1998. The Option provides for a fixed price for the
commodity cost of gas component of the monthly Gas Adjustment Charge in lieu
of the commodity cost of gas as determined pursuant to General Information -
Section 12, of the Company's gas tariff. All other charges pursuant to
General Information - Section 12, exclusive of the commodity cost of gas,
shall continue to apply.

The Fixed-Price Gas Option is a voluntary election for firm gas sales
customers and is limited to ten percent of the customers in each firm sales
customer class. Eligibility will be determined on a first-come, first-served

basis. Customers electing the Fixed-Price Gas Option must commit for the full period of December 1, 1997, through April 30, 1998, and may not switch Service Classification during this period.

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Also included with this filing is the General Filing Information Form. Per the above-referenced Order, Orange and Rockland used direct mailings to notify all affected customers of the availability of the Fixed-Price Gas Option and, as such, the notice publication requirements of Public Service Law 66(12) and 16 NYCRR § 270.70 otherwise applicable to these tariff amendments are waived.

Any questions regarding this filing should be directed to James Stanzone at (914) 577-3678.

Very truly yours,

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