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April 28, 2006

Hon. Jaclyn A. Brillling  
Secretary  
Public Service Commission  
Three Empire State Plaza  
Albany, NY 12123-1350

Re: Cases 04-G-1047 - Compliance Filing  
National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation

Dear Secretary Brillling:

Enclosed for filing in compliance with the Commission's Order issued in the above captioned case on April 26, 2006 ("Order") are the following revised leaves of National Fuel's Tariff P.S.C. No. 8 – GAS, issued April 28, 2006 and directed to file on not less than one day's notice, to take effect on May 1, 2006:

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|----------------|-------------|
| Leaf No. 3     | Revision 17 |
| Leaf No. 152   | Revision 9  |
| Leaf No. 156.5 | Revision 3  |
| Leaf No. 156.6 | Revision 0  |
| Leaf No. 156.7 | Revision 0  |

Also included is the Statement of Low Income Customer Affordability Assistance Program ("LICAAP") Discounts No. 1. All other gas cost or rate changes for billing were filed in the Company's monthly gas cost filings with the Commission effective May 1, 2006.

These leaves and statement are filed to implement the second phase of the Low-Income Residential Assistance Program ("LIRA") in accordance with the Company's approved rate plan.<sup>1</sup> The LICAAP and the proposed tariff amendments should provide for a bill discount that varies in amount depending on household size and income, and include pre-LICAAP arrears forgiveness, energy conservation education and referrals to other income-support programs. The objective of the bill discount calculation process is to limit the percentage of a household's income that is spent on home energy costs and is modeled after the Company's LIRA Program rate discount in its Pennsylvania service territory.

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<sup>1</sup> Case 04-G-1047 – Proceeding on Motion of the Commission as to the Rates, Charges, Rules and Regulations of National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation for Gas Service, Order Establishing Rates and Terms of Two-Year Rate Plan, issued July 22, 2005.

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In addition, National Fuel shall ensure that adequate notice is provided to potential LICAAP customers that the program serves "in lieu of" a Deferred Payment Agreement for pre-LICAAP arrearages and the Company shall receive written customer consent to such terms.

Pursuant to Public Service Law §66(12)(b), notice to the public of the proposed changes will be published in area newspapers once a week for four successive weeks, and proof of publication shall be filed with the Commission.

For questions relating to this filing, please contact Eric Meinl at (716) 857-7805 or the undersigned at (716) 857-7313.

Respectfully submitted,

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cc: Active Parties (via e-mail)