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October 22, 2004

Honorable Jaclyn A. Brilling Secretary State of New York Public Service Commission Three Empire State Plaza Albany, New York 12223

Re: Case 02-G-1553 – Proceeding on Motion of the Commission as to the Rates, Charges, Rules and Regulations of Orange and Rockland Utilities, Inc. for Gas Service

### Dear Secretary Brilling:

Orange and Rockland Utilities, Inc. ("O&R" or "the Company") hereby submits for filing the following tariff leaves proposing revisions to its Schedule for Gas Service, P.S.C. No. 4 – Gas ("Gas tariff").

Leaf 72	Revision 9
Leaf 114	Revision 9
Leaf 116	Revision 10
Leaf 130	Revision 12

This filing is made in compliance with Ordering Clause 5 of the Commission's "Order Adopting the Terms of a Joint Proposal<sup>1</sup> and Clarifying a Provision" issued October 23, 2003, in the above-referenced proceeding ("Order"). The tariff leaves being filed are effective November 1, 2004.

The purpose of this filing is to implement for "Rate Year 2" (i.e., November 1, 2004 through October 31, 2005) the rate design changes set forth in Appendix F of the Joint Proposal.

#### Summary of the Proposed Changes

In compliance with the Order, the Company is filing the following changes to its Gas tariff:

- The first block charge (first 3 ccf or less) for Service Classification ("SC") No. 1, SC No. 2, and SC No. 6 - Rate Schedule I has been increased to \$9.37 from \$7.74. The first block charge of SC 6 Rate Schedule II has been increased to \$135.10 from \$118.39.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Joint Proposal dated June 24, 2003

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- The remaining incremental revenue requirement has been recovered from all rate block charges of SC No. 1, SC No. 2, and SC No. 6 after the first block charge.
- The "Factor of Adjustment" used in the calculation of the "Gas Supply Charge" set forth in General Information Section 12.1 has been changed to 1.025 from 1.033. The calculation of the updated Factor of Adjustment is set forth in Appendix A to this filing letter.

#### Notice

The Company will publish on November 10, 17, and 24, 2004 and December 1, 2004 notice of the changes filed today in accordance with the Commission's regulations on newspaper publication.

Questions concerning this filing can be directed to me at (212) 460-3308.

Very truly yours,

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William A. Atzl, Jr. Director – O&R Rates Received: 10/22/2004

## Appendix A

# Orange And Rockland Utilities, Inc. Factor of Adjustment Calculation

	Twelve Months Ending August 31,			3 yr. Avg ending
(Mcf)	<u>2002</u>	<u>2003</u>	<u>2004</u>	Aug. 31, 2004
Actual Gas Sendout	21,496,574.5	25,853,551.7	24,490,213.9	71,840,340.10
Retail Sales & Firm Transportation	20,784,429.3	25,206,077.7	24,087,522.4	70,078,029.40
Loss Factor	1.034	1.026	1.017	1.025