

January 30, 2004

VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

Hon. Jaclyn A. Brillling, Secretary
New York State Public Service Commission
Three Empire State Plaza
Albany, NY 12223-1350

Dear Secretary Brillling:

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

PSC No. 119 – Electricity, Schedule for Electric Service
Leaf No. 20, Revision 1

Effective May 1, 2004.

Pursuant to the Commission Order in Case 25352, issued December 28, 1971 and in Case 03-E-0185, issued April 30, 2003 (the "April Order"), the attached revised leaf is being filed to reflect revisions to underground distribution system costs, based on the simple averaging of the most recent five years' annual costs for the five year period ending September 30, 2003. However, the cost of underground service (item (c) on Leaf 20) was not revised, as there were no applicable services installed by NYSEG in the year ending September 30, 2003 by which to calculate a revised cost. Underground service cost therefore, remains based on the experienced average cost of underground services in residential subdivisions for the period 12 months ended September 30, 1986, which was the last year there was activity.

Customers are provided the currently effective rates when they contact NYSEG in regard to under grounding of line extensions. In addition, in accordance with Ordering Clause 2 of the April Order, newspaper publication of the proposed tariff amendments has been waived.

A State Administrative Procedures Act (SAPA) notice is also enclosed. If you have any questions, please call Anne Reichert at (607) 762-7742.

Very truly yours,

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Enclosures