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February 14, 2012

Hon. Jaclyn A. Brillling
Secretary
Public Service Commission
Three Empire State Plaza
Albany, New York 12222-1350

Re: Case 11-M-0542 – In the Matter of Commission’s Implementation of
Certain Provisions of the Excelsior Jobs Program - Compliance Filing

Dear Secretary Brillling:

National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation (“Distribution” or the “Company”) submits the following proposed amendments to its tariff, P.S.C. No. 8 – GAS:

Leaf No. 148.10	Revision 7
Leaf No. 162	Revision 1
Leaf No. 163	Revision 6
Leaf No. 211	Revision 13
Leaf No. 222.1	Revision 7
Leaf No. 223	Revision 3

The proposed amendments are issued as of today for an effective date of June 1, 2012.

Background

On December 9, 2011, the Public Service Commission (“Commission”) issued a Notice to File Proposed Tariff Provisions (“Notice”) in the above-referenced proceeding. The Notice directed certain utility companies, including Distribution, to file tariff amendments necessary to conform their tariffs to the new statutory requirements of Chapter 61 of the Laws of 2011, which became effective March 31, 2011. Chapter 61 amends, *inter alia*, Section 66 of the Public Service Law. These new statutory requirements added a new subdivision 12-d regarding a special excelsior jobs program rate equal to the incremental cost of providing service to participants in the excelsior jobs program as defined in article seventeen of the Economic Development Law.

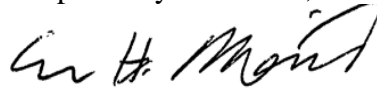
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The provisions relating to the amount of the Excelsior Jobs Program gas and electric service rates mirror those of the existing NY PSC 66(12-c) Empire Zone rates. Therefore, utilities, which include Distribution, that have such Empire Zone rates are to file proposed Excelsior Jobs tariff delivery rates equal to their existing Empire Zone delivery rates.

Conclusion

Distribution respectfully requests that the Commission approve the proposed tariff amendments for an effective date of June 1, 2012.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Eric H. Meinel", is written over the typed name.

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