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June 20, 2014

Honorable Kathleen H. Burgess Secretary New York State Public Service Commission 3 Empire State Plaza, 19<sup>th</sup> Floor Albany, New York 12223

RE: Case 13-G-0031, Con Edison's Gas Rate Case

Dear Secretary Burgess:

Consolidated Edison Company of New York, Inc. ("Con Edison") is filing with the Public Service Commission (the "Commission") an amendment to its Schedule for Gas Service, P.S.C. No. 9 – Gas (the "Tariff"), applicable to its customers in the City of New York and the County of Westchester.

The revised Tariff Leaves are issued on one day's notice and have an effective date of June 23, 2014:

<u>Leaf No.</u>	Revision No.	Superseding Revision
244	2	1
255	17	16
303.2	10	9

# **Reason for Filing**

The Commission's Order Approving Electric, Gas and Steam Rate Plans in Accord With Joint Proposal, issued and effective February 21, 2014, in Cases 13-E-0030 et al. (the "Order") adopted the Joint Proposal ("JP") set forth in Appendix A of the Order, with certain modifications. The Company filed tariff changes on February 28, 2014, to become effective on March 1, 2014, in accordance with that Order. As part of that filing, SC 3 and its equivalent SC 9 low income customers are entitled to a discount of \$7.25 on their monthly minimum charge and an increased volumetric rate discount in the 4 – 90 therm block from \$0.3833 per therm to \$0.4880 per therm.

With the current filing, the Company is making further Tariff changes to the compliance filing made pursuant to the Commission's Order. Because the tariff leaves became effective as of March 1, 2014, and the JP (page 104) required a \$7.25 discount in the monthly minimum charge and a volumetric discount in the 4-90 therm block of \$0.4880 per therm as of January 1, 2014, the current filing is being made to provide a

one-time credit to low-income customers of \$32.72. $^{1,2}$  During the months of January and February 2014, low-income customers received no discount on the monthly minimum charge and received a volumetric discount in the 4-90 therm block of \$0.3833, pursuant to the tariff that was in effect prior to March 1, 2014.

# **Tariff Change**

To credit low-income customers for the additional \$32.72 applicable to January and February 2014, the Company has added provisions to Service Classification No. 3 – Residential and Religious – Heating Firm Sales Service and Service Classification No. 9 – Transportation Service indicating that a one-time credit of \$32.72 will be applied during the August 2014 billing cycle month<sup>4</sup>, to these Customers who are enrolled in the low-income program.

# **Conclusion and Notice**

Pursuant to Ordering Clause 4 of the Order, this filing is being made on one business day's notice to go into effect on a temporary basis on June 23, 2014.

The Company requests waiver of the requirement for newspaper publication. The Company will notify the low-income customers, who are eligible for this credit, through a bill message issued on bills containing the \$32.72 credit.

The Company is serving copies of this filing electronically upon all parties to Case 13-G-0031.

Sincerely,

/s/ William A. Atzl, Jr.
Director
Rate Engineering Department

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> These low-income program costs are included in the costs subject to reconciliation, pursuant to General Information Section IX. 10., of the Tariff.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The credit of \$32.72 is equal to 1) two months of the \$7.25 minimum charge discount plus 2) the difference between the volumetric discount of \$0.4880 per therm and \$0.3833 per therm applied to 87 therms per month for two months.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> SC 1 low income customers are not entitled to a one-time credit since the SC 1 low income discount remained the same.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> This is the first full cycle month in which this credit can be programmed and implemented in the billing system.

PSC NO: 9 GAS LEAF: 244

COMPANY: **CONSOLIDATED EDISON COMPANY OF NEW YORK, INC.**REVISION: 2
INITIAL EFFECTIVE DATE: 06/23/14
SUPERSEDING REVISION: 1

STAMPS: Issued in Compliance with Order in Case 13-G-0031 dated February 21, 2014

#### **SERVICE CLASSIFICATION NO. 3 - Continued**

# RESIDENTIAL AND RELIGIOUS - HEATING FIRM SALES SERVICE

#### **General Provisions**

- (A) Additional provisions relating specifically to the service supplied under this Service Classification are set forth in the section "General Information Applicable to Firm Sales Service" starting on Leaf No. 245.0.
- **(B)** For general rules, regulations, terms, and conditions under which gas service will be supplied, see General Information sections I through XI, inclusive.
- (C) Applicants seeking to convert from fuel oil to natural gas and requesting service hereunder may be eligible to participate in the Company's New York City Clean Heat Area Growth Program, as explained in General Information Section III.3.(J).
- **(D)** During the August 2014 cycle billing month, each SC 3 account enrolled in the low-income program will receive a one-time credit of \$32.72.

(Service Classification No. 3 - Continued on Leaf No. 245)

PSC NO: 9 GAS

COMPANY: **CONSOLIDATED EDISON COMPANY OF NEW YORK, INC.** REVISION: 17

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**PSC NO: 9 GAS**LEAF: 303.2

COMPANY: CONSOLIDATED EDISON COMPANY OF NEW YORK, INC. REVISION: 10

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#### **SERVICE CLASSIFICATION No. 9 - Continued**

#### TRANSPORTATION SERVICE - Continued

#### **Rates - Continued**

#### (J) Other Rates, Charges and Adjustments - Continued

### (10) Temporary State Assessment Surcharge ("TSAS") Under Section 18-a of the Public Service Law

To implement the changes to Section 18-a of the Public Service Law, signed into law on April 7, 2009, the Company will collect through a delivery service surcharge, called the Temporary State Assessment Surcharge ("TSAS"), the amount assessed to the Company, excluding gross receipts tax, in excess of the amount reflected in base rates. As directed in the Commission's Order, dated June 19, 2009, in Case 09-M-0311, the TSAS for each 12-month period commencing July will be designed to collect any Section 18-a assessment for the State fiscal year that commenced April of that year above the amount reflected in base rates, plus uncollectible expenses based on the amount reflected in base rates and working capital costs at the Company's pre-tax rate of return. To the extent the amount of the surcharge decreases in any year due to a fluctuation in annual intrastate gross operating revenues, the Company may maintain the prior year's surcharge to improve its cash flow position without increasing customers' bills.

Any difference between Section 18-a amounts to be recovered and actual amounts collected, excluding gross receipts taxes, will be reflected in a subsequent period surcharge; provided, however, that any reconciliation amount required to be collected after the last year that the surcharge is in effect, will be deferred, plus working capital costs, for collection from or refund to customers.

The TSAS will be allocated to each customer class based on the class contribution to the Company's total gas revenues, including gross receipts taxes. The contribution of each class will include both delivery and supply charges, (including estimated supply charges for retail access classes), and gross receipts taxes for all.

The TSAS that is applicable to service under this Schedule will be collected on a monthly basis. The unit amount to be collected will be shown on the Statement of Temporary State Assessment Surcharge (the "Statement") that is filed with the Commission apart from this Schedule.

Unless otherwise directed by the Commission, any change to the unit amounts to be collected will be filed with the Commission on a revised Statement no less than 15 days prior to the Statement's effective date.

#### (11) One-Time SC 9 (A)(6) Low-Income Credit

During the August 2014 cycle billing month, each SC 9 (A)(6) account enrolled in the low-income program will receive a one-time credit of \$32.72.

(Service Classification No. 9 - Continued on Leaf No. 304)