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Case 09-W-0237: Proceeding on Motion of the Commission as to the Rates, Charges, Rules and Regulations of New York Water Service Corporation

Dear Secretary Brillling:

Attached please find an amendment to the Joint Proposal filed in this case on September 30, 2009 filed jointly by Staff and New York Water Corporation.

Sincerely,

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**STATE OF NEW YORK
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

**CASE 09-W-0237: PROCEEDING ON MOTION OF
THE COMMISSION AS TO THE RATES,
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DATED SEPTEMBER 30, 2009**

Dated: October 19, 2009

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THIS AMENDMENT, made on October 19, 2009, by and among New York Water Service Corporation (“NYWS” or the “Company”), and Staff of the New York State Department of Public Service (“Staff”) (collectively referred to as the “Parties”), is intended to modify the Joint Proposal (“JP”) dated September 30, 2009 by and among NYWS and Staff. This Amendment shall control in the event of any conflict with the JP dated September 30, 2009.

The JP, under Rate Option One, provides for an allocation of the 17.68% base rate increase for Rate Year One in such a manner that fire service customers would receive an increase of 14.2% and metered customers 17.95%. Due to the roll-in to base rates of amounts that have been or would be collected through surcharge mechanisms, the average Rate Year One increase for metered customers would be 8.28% and the average Rate Year One bill increase for fire service customers would be 10.72%.

Under Rate Option Two as presented in the JP, fire service customers would receive the same 14.2% base rate increase in Rate Year One as in Rate Option One. However, because fire service customers would end up paying more under Rate Option Two in Rate Years Two and Three (4.16%, and 4.0%) than they would pay under Rate Option One (1.57% and 1.95%), the

Parties decided that it would be more equitable to modify the base rate increase under Rate Option Two for Rate Year One as follows:

Metered Customers	15.31% (formerly 15.11%)
Fire Service Customers	11.64% (formerly 14.2%)

The revised Rate Year One fire service base rate percentage increase under Rate Option Two was derived by equalizing, on a net present value basis, Rate Options One and Two for fire service customers. The end result under Rate Option Two, as modified herein for metered and fire service customers, is as follows:

	Rate Year 1	Rate Year 2	Rate Year 3
Metered Customers	15.31%	4.16%	4.00%
Fire Service Customers	11.64%	4.16%	4.00%

Accounting for roll-ins, the bill impacts in Rate Year One are 5.63% for metered customers (formerly 5.43%) and 8.16% for fire service customers (formerly 10.72%). Base rate and bill impacts are identical in Rate Years Two and Three. The computation of annual metered revenues by service class under Rate Option Two per the JP and the JP as revised are detailed on Schedule A hereto. As a result of the revised allocation between metered and fire service customers in Option Two, the revised target metered revenues for the Revenue Adjustment Clause are detailed on Schedule B hereto for Rate Years One, Two and Three. Schedule C shows the net present values of Rate Option One, Rate Option Two and revised Rate Option Two for metered customers and private and public fire service customers.

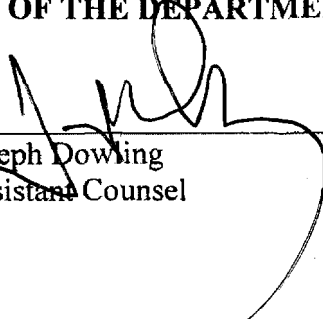
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have affixed their signatures below as evidence of their agreement to be bound by the provisions of this Amendment to the Joint Proposal on the day and year first written above.

NEW YORK WATER SERVICE CORPORATION

By 

Andrew Gansberg
Attorney for New York Water Service Corporation

STAFF OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICE

By 

Joseph Dowling
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Computation of Annual Metered Revenues

	Pro Forma Revenue Per Company	Staff Revenue Adjustment	Pro Forma Revenue Per Staff	Pro Forma		Year 1 Increase w/roll ins	Year 1 Revenue w/roll ins	Pro Forma		Year 2 Increase	Year 2 Revenue	Pro Forma		Year 3 Increase	Year 3 Revenue
				Year 1 Increase	Year 1 Revenue			Year 2 Increase	Year 2 Revenue						
Metered	20,633,870	297,395	20,931,265	3,757,697	24,688,962	17.95%	1,732,129	22,663,394	8.28%	388,294	25,077,256	1.57%	489,021	25,566,277	1.95%
Private Fire	123,845	-	123,845	17,586	141,431	14.20%	13,275	137,120	10.72%	2,224	143,655	1.57%	2,801	146,456	1.95%
Public Fire	1,491,086	-	1,491,086	211,734	1,702,820	14.20%	159,833	1,650,919	10.72%	26,781	1,729,601	1.57%	33,728	1,763,329	1.95%
LPC	46,417	-	46,417	8,208	54,625	17.68%	8,208	54,625	17.68%	859	55,484	1.57%	1,082	56,566	1.95%
Reconnect	2,850	-	2,850	504	3,354	17.68%	504	3,354	17.68%	53	3,407	1.58%	66	3,473	1.94%
Bad Check	4,472	-	4,472	791	5,263	17.69%	791	5,263	17.69%	83	5,346	1.58%	104	5,450	1.95%
Other	1,671	-	1,671	295	1,966	17.65%	295	1,966	17.65%	31	1,997	1.58%	39	2,036	1.95%

Total	22,304,211	297,395	22,601,606	3,996,815	1,915,035	17.68%	26,598,421	24,516,641	418,325	27,016,746	1.57%	526,841	27,543,587	1.95%
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Computation of Annual Metered Revenues - Levelized (per JP)

	Pro Forma Revenue Per Company	Staff Revenue Adjustment	Pro Forma Revenue Per Staff	Year 1 Increase	Pro Forma Revenue Year 1	Year 1 Increase w/roll ins	Pro Forma Revenue Year 1 w/roll ins	Year 2 Increase	Pro Forma Revenue Year 2	Year 3 Increase	Pro Forma Revenue Year 3				
Metered	20,633,870	297,395	20,931,265	3,162,344	24,093,609	15.11%	1,136,776	22,068,041	5.43%	1,002,626	25,096,235	4.16%	1,002,626	26,098,861	4.00%
Private Fire	123,845	-	123,845	17,586	141,431	14.20%	13,275	137,120	10.72%	5,885	147,316	4.16%	5,885	153,201	3.99%
Public Fire	1,491,086	-	1,491,086	211,734	1,702,820	14.20%	159,833	1,650,919	10.72%	70,861	1,773,681	4.16%	70,861	1,844,542	4.00%
LPC	46,417	-	46,417	6,983	53,400	15.04%	6,983	53,400	15.04%	2,222	55,622	4.16%	2,222	57,844	3.99%
Reconnect	2,850	-	2,850	429	3,279	15.05%	429	3,279	15.05%	136	3,415	4.15%	136	3,551	3.98%
Bad Check	4,472	-	4,472	673	5,145	15.05%	673	5,145	15.05%	214	5,359	4.16%	214	5,573	3.99%
Other	1,671	-	1,671	251	1,922	15.02%	251	1,922	15.02%	80	2,002	4.16%	80	2,082	4.00%

Total	22,304,211	297,395	22,601,606	3,400,000	26,001,606	15.04%	1,318,220	23,919,826	4.16%	1,082,024	28,165,654	4.00%
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Computation of Annual Metered Revenues - Levelized (JP revised)

	Pro Forma Revenue Per Company	Staff Revenue Adjustment	Pro Forma Revenue Per Staff	Pro Forma		Year 1 Increase w/roll ins	Pro Forma		Year 2 Increase	Pro Forma Revenue Year 2	Year 3 Increase	Pro Forma Revenue Year 3			
				Year 1 Increase	Year 1 w/roll ins		Year 2 Increase	Year 2 Revenue							
Metered	20,633,870	297,395	20,931,265	3,203,686	24,134,951	15.31%	1,178,118	22,109,383	5.63%	1,004,346	25,139,297	4.16%	1,004,346	26,143,643	4.00%
Private Fire	123,845	-	123,845	14,416	138,261	11.64%	10,105	133,950	8.16%	5,754	144,015	4.16%	5,754	149,769	4.00%
Public Fire	1,491,086	-	1,491,086	173,562	1,664,648	11.64%	121,661	1,612,747	8.16%	69,272	1,733,920	4.16%	69,272	1,803,192	4.00%
LPC	46,417	-	46,417	6,983	53,400	15.04%	6,983	53,400	15.04%	2,222	55,622	4.16%	2,222	57,844	3.99%
Reconnect	2,850	-	2,850	429	3,279	15.05%	429	3,279	15.05%	136	3,415	4.15%	136	3,551	3.98%
Bad Check	4,472	-	4,472	673	5,145	15.05%	673	5,145	15.05%	214	5,359	4.16%	214	5,573	3.99%
Other	1,671	-	1,671	251	1,922	15.02%	251	1,922	15.02%	80	2,002	4.16%	80	2,082	4.00%

Total	22,304,211	297,395	22,601,606	3,400,000	26,001,606	15.04%	1,318,220	23,919,826	4.16%	1,082,024	28,165,654	4.00%
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Schedule B

Revised Metered Targets - Option 2 Revised

	RAC targets YE 2/6 basis	metered customers rate increase	February Revenues (@ 5.21% of Total)	5 February Days	1/31 YE targets
Year 1	24,134,951	3,203,686	166,912	29,806	24,105,145
Year 2	25,139,297	1,004,346	52,326	9,344	25,129,953
Year 3	26,143,643	1,004,346	52,326	9,022	26,134,621

Cost of Capital

7.85%

Option One Per JP

Total Base
Rate
Increase

	Base Rate Increases	Cumulative Increases	Present Value
2010	\$3,996,814	\$3,996,814	\$3,848,610
2011	418,325	4,415,139	3,941,978
2012	526,040	4,941,179	4,090,536
Cumulative	\$4,941,179	\$13,353,132	\$11,881,123

Higher rate level at beginning of fourth year

Public Fire
Base Rate
Increase

	Base Rate Increases	Cumulative Increases	Present Value
2010	\$211,734	\$211,734	\$203,883
2011	26,781	238,515	212,954
2012	33,728	272,243	225,375
Cumulative	\$272,243	\$722,492	\$642,212

Higher rate level at beginning of fourth year

Private Fire
Base Rate
Increase

	Base Rate Increases	Cumulative Increases	Present Value
2010	\$17,586	\$17,586	\$16,934
2011	2,224	19,810	17,687
2012	2,801	22,611	18,718
Cumulative	\$22,611	\$60,007	\$53,339

Higher rate level at beginning of fourth year

Metered
Customer
Base Rate
Increase

	Base Rate Increases	Cumulative Increases	Present Value
2010	\$3,757,697	\$3,757,697	\$3,618,359
2011	388,294	4,145,991	3,701,674
2012	489,021	4,635,012	3,837,077
Cumulative	\$4,635,012	\$12,538,700	\$11,157,110

Higher rate level at beginning of fourth year

Option Two Per JP

	Base Rate Increases	Cumulative Increases	Present Value
	\$3,400,000	\$3,400,000	\$3,273,926
	1,082,024	4,482,024	4,001,695
	1,082,024	5,564,048	4,606,176
	\$5,564,048	\$13,446,072	\$11,881,796

\$622,869

	Base Rate Increases	Cumulative Increases	Present Value
	\$211,734	\$211,734	\$203,883
	70,861	282,595	252,310
	70,861	353,456	292,607
	\$353,456	\$847,785	\$748,800

\$81,213

	Base Rate Increases	Cumulative Increases	Present Value
	\$17,586	\$17,586	\$16,934
	5,885	23,471	20,956
	5,885	29,356	24,302
	\$29,356	\$70,413	\$62,192

\$6,745

	Base Rate Increases	Cumulative Increases	Present Value
	\$3,162,344	\$3,162,344	\$3,045,082
	1,002,626	4,164,970	3,718,619
	1,002,626	5,167,596	4,277,974
	\$5,167,596	\$12,494,910	\$11,041,675

\$532,584

Option Two to Equalize the NPVs of Option One

	Base Rate Increases	Cumulative Increases	Present Value

	Base Rate Increases	Cumulative Increases	Present Value
	\$173,562	\$173,562	\$167,126
	69,272	242,834	216,810
	69,272	312,106	258,376
	\$312,106	\$728,502	\$642,312

\$39,863

	Base Rate Increases	Cumulative Increases	Present Value
	\$14,416	\$14,416	\$13,881
	5,754	20,170	18,008
	5,754	25,924	21,461
	\$25,924	\$60,510	\$53,351

\$3,313

	Base Rate Increases	Cumulative Increases	Present Value
	\$3,203,686	\$3,203,686	\$3,084,891
	1,004,346	4,208,032	3,757,066
	1,004,346	5,212,378	4,315,047
	\$5,212,378	\$12,624,096	\$11,157,004

\$577,366