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Honorable Kathleen H. Burgess  
Secretary  
New York State  
Public Service Commission  
Three Empire State Plaza  
Albany, NY 12223-1350

Re: Case 15-E-0302 – Proceeding on Motion of the Commission to Implement a Large-Scale Renewable Program and Clean Energy Standard

Dear Secretary Burgess:

Attached please find the Joint Utilities' (Central Hudson Gas & Electric Corporation, Consolidated Edison Company of New York, Inc., New York State Electric & Gas Corporation, Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation d/b/a National Grid, Orange and Rockland Utilities, Inc., and Rochester Gas and Electric Corporation) Comments on *Staff Report Regarding Retention of Existing Baseline Resources Under Tier 2 of the Renewable Energy Standard*.

Please contact me if there are any questions.

Very truly yours,

Susan Vercheak

Enclosure

\*Admitted only in New Jersey