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Re: Case 12-M-0476 – Proceeding on Motion of the Commission to Assess Certain Aspects of the Residential and Small Non-Residential Retail Energy Markets in New York State.

Case 98-M-1343 – In the Matter of Retail Access Business Rules.

Case 06-M-0647 – In the Matter of Energy Service Company Price Reporting Requirements.

Case 98-M-0667 – In the Matter of Electronic Data Interchange.

Dear Mr. Novak,

I received your correspondence, dated April 30, 2015, on behalf of the New York Electronic Data Interchange (“EDI”) Working Group (“EDI Working Group”), an ad hoc working group consisting of personnel from Utilities, Energy Service Companies and EDI Service Providers pursuing development of EDI Standards, requesting an extension until July 20, 2015 for submission of a report required by the *Order Approving Modifications to the Electronic Data Interchange Standards*, issued March 2, 2015 (“Order”), in the above referenced proceedings.

In support of your request for an extension, you stated that the EDI Working Group has had discussions. However, Department of Public Service Staff has not reviewed a Phase I testing proposal, which will be the basis for related streamlining proposals and EDI Standards modifications. Further, the EDI Working Group intends to develop additional EDI transactions to support the Assistance Program Participant (APP) Credit process. You state that the additional time will allow the EDI Working Group to submit a more comprehensive report, and to consider modifications to EDI Standards discussed in collaborative meetings regarding APP.

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This is to advise that the deadline to submit the report required by the *Order Approving Modifications to the Electronic Data Interchange Standards*, issued March 2, 2015 in the above referenced proceedings, is extended to July 20, 2015 to all parties. This extension is granted in order to promote the fair, orderly and efficient conduct of these proceedings.

Sincerely,



Kathleen H. Burgess  
Secretary



April 30, 2015

Hon. Kathleen H. Burgess  
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New York State Department of Public Service  
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Dear Secretary Burgess:

On behalf of the New York Electronic Data Interchange (“EDI”) Working Group (“EDI Working Group”), an ad hoc working group consisting of personnel from Utilities, Energy Service Companies and EDI Service Providers pursuing development of EDI Standards, National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation hereby submits a request to extend the deadline for submission of a report required by the Order Approving Modifications to the Electronic Data Interchange Standards issued on March 2, 2015 (“Order”) in the above referenced cases. The report identifies how EDI development, implementation and testing process<sup>1</sup> could be streamlined.

While the EDI Working Group has initiated discussions, DPS Staff has not had an opportunity to fully review a Phase I testing proposal upon which related streamlining proposals and EDI Standards modifications would depend. Additionally, the EDI Working Group plans to develop additional EDI transactions to support the Assistance Program Participant (“APP”) Credit process. After consultation with DPS Staff and discussion during the EDI Working Group’s April 24, 2015 meeting, an extension of the report due date to July 20, 2015 is requested. In addition to provision of a more comprehensive report, the Working Group will be in a position to consider modifications to EDI Standards reflecting the discourse of collaborative meetings addressing APP matters.<sup>2</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> “Further, the EDI Working Group should consider ways to streamline the EDI development, implementation and testing process. The Working Group should submit a report of its findings within two months of the date of this order.”, Order, p. 6.

<sup>2</sup> Order, p. 7.

Please contact the undersigned at (716) 857-7884 if you have any questions regarding this filing.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Michael E. Novak", is positioned above the printed name.

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