STATE OF NEW YORK PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

CASE 17-G-0011 - In the Matter of a Review of Tariff Provisions Regarding Natural Gas Service to Electric Generators.

NOTICE SOLICITING COMMENTS

(Issued January 19, 2017)

Take notice that Staff filed an Initial Findings Report (Report) in this case on January 19, 2017 regarding the appropriate natural gas tariff provisions applicable to electric generators. Interested parties are invited to provide comments on the Report and responses to the questions contained therein.

On July 17, 2015, the Commission issued an order¹ that initiated a proceeding to review the appropriateness of the Value Added Charge (VAC) for natural gas utilities of New York The 2015 Order stated that "all parties are invited to State. comment on this specific topic (VAC) and any comments shall be filed with the Secretary within 90 days of the issuance of this Order," which resulted in a comment period ending October 15, 2015. The newly instituted proceeding was Case 15-G-0469. A request for an extension of the comment period until November 16, 2015 was granted by the Secretary to the Commission. Five parties filed comments including Syracuse, LLC; Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation, d/b/a National Grid, The Brooklyn Union Gas Company d/b/a National Grid NY and KeySpan Gas East Corporation d/b/a National Grid (collectively, National Grid); The Independent Power Producers of New York, Inc. (IPPNY); the Long Island Power Authority (LIPA); and

¹ Cases 14-G-0315, <u>et al.</u>, <u>Tariff filing by KeySpan Gas East</u> <u>Corporation d/b/a National Grid to modify P.S.C. No. 1 - Gas</u> <u>by amending and clarifying provisions related to electric</u> <u>generators that take transportation service</u>, Order Approving the Tariff Amendments with Modifications, (issued July 17, 2015) (2015 Order), at 13.

affiliated utilities, Consolidated Edison Company of New York, Inc. and Orange and Rockland Utilities, Inc. (collectively, Con Edison).

Department of Public Service Staff (Staff) has reviewed those comments and filed its Report, which includes additional questions for interested parties to address. Once interested parties provide comments, it is anticipated that Staff will develop and release a straw proposal for the delivery rates and charges that gas utilities charge to gas-fired electric generators. The proposal will provide a basis for the Commission to evaluate and potentially revise these rates and charges, and will recognize the comments filed to date in Case 15-G-0469, as well the comments received in response to this solicitation.

Interested parties are invited to subscribe to the service list and submit any comments electronically by e-filing through the Department's Document and Matter Management System (DMM)² or by e-mail to the Secretary at <u>secretary@dps.ny.gov</u>, on or before April 19, 2017. Parties unable to file electronically may mail or deliver their comments to the Hon. Kathleen H. Burgess, Secretary to the New York State Public Service Commission, Three Empire State Plaza, Albany, New York, 12223-1350. All comments submitted to the Secretary will be posted on the Department's DMM website and become part of the official case record.

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KATHLEEN H. BURGESS Secretary

² Information and instructions related to subscribing to the service list, or otherwise monitoring the status of this proceeding can be found on the Department's website at <u>http://documents.dps.ny.gov/public/MatterManagement/RequestAPS</u> <u>tatus.aspx</u>.