STATE OF NEW YORK PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

- CASE 23-G-0225 Proceeding on Motion of the Commission as to the Rates, Charges, Rules and Regulations of The Brooklyn Union Gas Company d/b/a National Grid NY for Gas Service.
- CASE 23-G-0226 Proceeding on Motion of the Commission as to the Rates, Charges, Rules and Regulations of KeySpan Gas East Corporation d/b/a National Grid for Gas Service.

NOTICE SOLICITING COMMENT AND ANNOUNCING PUBLIC STATEMENT HEARINGS

(Issued October 16, 2023)

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that public comment is invited concerning proposed changes in the gas delivery rates and practices of The Brooklyn Union Gas Company d/b/a National Grid NY (KEDNY) and KeySpan Gas East Corporation d/b/a National Grid (KEDLI) (collectively, the Companies).

The Companies filed amendments to their gas tariff schedules on April 28, 2023, proposing to increase their annual gas delivery revenues effective March 31, 2024. KEDNY proposes to increase its revenues by \$414 million (a 28 percent increase in base delivery revenues or a 17 percent increase in total revenues). KEDLI proposes to increase its revenues by \$228 million (a 24 percent increase in base delivery revenues or a 14 percent increase in total revenues). Although the actual bill impacts of these proposed changes on any particular customer class will vary based upon revenue allocation and rate design, the Companies state that a typical KEDNY residential heating customer will have a \$30.95 average monthly bill increase and a typical KEDLI residential heating customer will have a \$28.52 average monthly bill increase.

The Companies state that the rate increases are largely due to the need to invest in critical infrastructure to comply with Federal and State pipeline safety mandates, increased costs to deliver expanded energy efficiency and other demand reduction offerings, and economic factors such as rising cost of material due to inflation, increased contractor costs, and increases in property taxes. The Companies state that their rate filings are focused on delivering safe and reliable service, meeting the needs of customers, and advancing the goals of the Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act (CLCPA). They propose to effectively maintain the current pace of leak prone pipe replacements through a more targeted replacement strategy; aggressively repair gas leaks and target the repair of high-emitting leaks through the use of advanced leak detection technology; continue or expand customer oriented initiatives to ensure energy affordability, improve customer experience and maintain customer satisfaction; improve the resiliency of the distribution system by investing in automation, safety valves, and storm hardening projects; and continue or expand many CLCPAsupporting initiatives such as non-pipe alternatives, energy efficiency and demand response programs.

The Companies' pre-filed testimony and exhibits in these proceedings may be reviewed online at the Department of Public Service website, <u>www.dps.ny.gov</u>, by clicking on "File Search" (located under the heading "Commission Files") and entering the case number (23-G-0225 or 23-G-0226) in the box labelled "Search by Case Number."

Under New York State law, the Public Service Commission (Commission) must consider a utility's proposal and may adopt or reject it, in whole or in part, or modify it. In doing so, the Commission will consider changes proposed by the participating parties and general public. Administrative Law

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Judges are presiding over the gathering of public comments and all evidence relating to the proposal. As indicated in this Notice, public statement hearings will be held over two days to obtain comments from the public concerning the Companies' proposals.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that in-person information sessions and public statement hearings will be held before Administrative Law Judges (ALJs) James A. Costello and/or Maureen F. Leary, as follows:

DATE: Tuesday, November 14, 2023

- LOCATION: Brooklyn Central Library The Dweck Center 10 Grand Army Plaza Brooklyn, New York 11238
- TIME: Information Session 1:00 p.m. Public Statement Hearing 1:30 p.m.
- DATE: Tuesday, November 14, 2023
- LOCATION: Brooklyn Central Library The Dweck Center 10 Grand Army Plaza Brooklyn, New York 11238
- TIME: Information Session 5:00 p.m. Public Statement Hearing 5:30 p.m.
- DATE: Tuesday, November 14, 2023
- LOCATION: Oneness Pentecostal Tabernacle 198-01 Linden Boulevard Jamaica, New York 11412
- TIME: Information Session 6:00 p.m. Public Statement Hearing 6:30 p.m.

DATE:	Wednesday, November 15, 2023
LOCATION:	JCC of Staten Island Bernikow Building 1466 Manor Road Staten Island, New York 10314
TIME:	Information Session 6:00 p.m. Public Statement Hearing 6:30 p.m.
DATE :	Wednesday, November 15, 2023
LOCATION:	Peter J. Schmitt Memorial Legislative Chamber - 1st Floor Theodore Roosevelt Executive & Legislative Building, Executive and Legislative Building Room 103 1550 Franklin Avenue Mineola, New York 11501
TIME:	Information Session 6:00 p.m.

Public Statement Hearing 6:30 p.m.

Those wishing to comment on any aspect of these proceedings will have the opportunity to make a statement on the record before the ALJs. It is not necessary to make an appointment in advance, or present written material to speak at a hearing. Persons will be called to speak after completing a request card. Each public statement hearing will be held open a minimum of thirty minutes and will be kept open until everyone wishing to speak has been heard or other reasonable arrangements have been made to include their comments in the record. Time limits may be set for each speaker as necessary to afford all attendees an opportunity to be heard. A verbatim transcript of each public statement hearing will be made for inclusion in the record of these proceedings.

Persons with disabilities requiring special accommodations should call the Department of Public Service's Human Resources Management Office at (518) 474-2520 as soon as

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possible. TDD users may request a sign language interpreter by placing a call through the New York Relay Service at 711. Individuals with difficulty understanding or reading English are encouraged to call the Department at (800) 342-3377 for free language assistance services regarding this Notice.

Other Ways to Comment

For those who cannot attend or prefer not to speak at a public statement hearing, there are several other ways to provide your comments to the Commission. Comments should refer to "Case 23-G-0225 and Case 23-G-0226 - National Grid."

Internet or Mail: Go to www.dps.ny.gov, click on "File Search" (located under the heading "Commission Files"), enter 23-G-0225 or 23-G-0226 in the box labelled "Search by Case Number," and then click on "Post Comments" located at the top right of the page.

Alternatively, comments may be mailed to the Hon. Michelle L. Phillips, Secretary, New York State Public Service Commission, Three Empire State Plaza, Albany, New York 12223-1350. All written comments will become part of the record considered by the Commission and may be accessed on the Department of Public Service website by searching the case numbers, as described above, and clicking on the "Public Comments" tab.

Toll-Free Opinion Line: Individuals also may choose to submit comments by calling the Commission's Opinion Line at 1-800-335-2120. This number is set up to receive in-state calls 24-hours a day. These calls are not transcribed verbatim, but a summary is provided to the Commission.

> MICHELLE L. PHILLIPS Secretary

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