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December 12, 2025

Michelle L. Phillips, Secretary NYS Dept. of Public Service 3 Empire State Plaza Agency Building 3 Albany, NY 12223-1350

Re: Case 16-G-0181 Temporary Surcharge

Dear Secretary Phillips,

This letter serves as a petition of substantiated proof for our continuation of the temporary surcharge. This surcharge was originally put in place to assist with the easing of the immense financial burden that was put onto Reserve Gas, and thus far, we are still recovering from these enormous costs incurred.

Initially, when this surcharge was issued on October 23, 2017, we were only billing twelve customers. Since then we have increased our customer base to thirty-seven. Over the past eight years we have only collected approximately fourteen percent (\$36,685.00) of the initial costs we incurred when we took over large portions of the abandoned New York Gas & Oil, Inc. wells and pipeline. The well purchases, legal fees, replumbing of wells and bringing the wells into compliance, along with annual upkeep has exceeded well over \$250,000.00.

This shall provide adequate financial justification that the ongoing temporary surcharge needs to continue through January 11, 2029 in order for these considerable costs to be recovered.

Thank you again for your patience and understanding in this ongoing matter. It does not go unnoticed and we appreciate you working with us.

Sincerely,

Ann M. Heinrich Office Manager

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