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At a session of the Public Service
Commission held in the City of
New York on February 23, 2016

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Audrey Zibelman, Chair
Patricia L. Acampora
Gregg C. Sayre
Diane X. Burman

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BY THE COMMISSION:

INTRODUCTION

This order adopts the terms of a joint proposal (Joint Proposal or JP) presented to us by Rochester Gas and Electric Corporation (RG&E or the Company), R.E. Ginna Nuclear Power Plant, LLC (Ginna), the New York State Department of Public Service Staff (Staff), the New York State Department of State Utility Intervention Unit (UIU), and Multiple Intervenors (MI).¹ The terms of the JP, as described more fully herein, endorse and seek our approval of an Amended and Restated Reliability Support Services Agreement or ARSSA) between RG&E and Ginna.² The ARSSA provides for the continued operation of the R.E. Ginna Nuclear

¹ The Joint Proposal was filed on October 21, 2015.

² The ARSSA, which was executed by and between RG&E and Ginna, is "Attachment A" to the JP.

Power Plant (Ginna Plant or Ginna Facility) through March 31, 2017, pending the completion of transmission systems upgrades required before the Ginna Plant may retire from service, and sets forth payments to be made by RG&E to Ginna for that reliability support. The JP would also allow RG&E to establish rates to recover from its ratepayers the cost of its obligations to Ginna under the ARSSA.

PROCEDURAL BACKGROUND

In the Order Directing Negotiation of a Reliability Support Service Agreement and Making Related Findings, issued November 14, 2014 (November Order), the Commission determined the continued operation of the Ginna Plant was necessary to preserve the reliability of the New York bulk electric transmission system and the local Rochester electric distribution system.³ The Commission instructed Ginna that it may not cease operations without the Commission's written permission⁴ and directed RG&E to negotiate a Reliability Support Services Agreement, or RSSA, with Ginna.⁵

On February 13, 2015, RG&E filed a petition (RSSA Petition), accompanied by a fully executed RSSA. RG&E asked the Commission to accept the RSSA without modification, and approve a surcharge to recover the costs of the RSSA from ratepayers.⁶ At the same time, Ginna filed the RSSA with the Federal Energy

³ November Order, at 15-16.

⁴ November Order, at 22.

⁵ November Order, at 27.

⁶ The Company advised that the proposed surcharge constituted a major rate change for which an evidentiary hearing was required.

Regulatory Commission (FERC), resulting in the initiation of a parallel proceeding before FERC.⁷

In response to RG&E's petition, processes were established by the presiding administrative law judges to commence review of the RSSA and develop a record to inform the Commission's decision making. Public Statement Hearings were held on May 6, 2015, in the Town of Webster, and on May 7, 2015, in the City of Rochester.⁸

Subsequently, on June 4, 2015, RG&E filed a petition asking the Commission to establish a temporary rate surcharge, subject to refund, to allow RG&E to begin recovering from ratepayers certain costs of the RSSA, pending a final Commission decision on the RSSA Petition. RG&E sought this relief because, although RG&E's obligation to pay Ginna under the RSSA would not have been triggered unless and until the RSSA was approved by FERC and the Commission, RG&E's obligations to Ginna under the RSSA began accruing as of the April 1, 2015.⁹ Under the RSSA, once the required Federal and State approvals were received, RG&E would then have to pay Ginna, in addition to the monthly amount for reliability services, a Deferred Collection Amount for the obligations accrued but not paid from April 1, 2015 through the date the regulatory approvals were actually received, plus interest.¹⁰

⁷ Staff Corrected Statement In Support of Joint Proposal, at 4 (Staff SIS).

⁸ Commissioner Sayre joined the presiding administrative law judge at the May 6, 2015 hearings in Webster. Commissioners Burman and Sayre joined the presiding administrative law judge at the May 7, 2015 hearings in Rochester.

⁹ Order Approving Establishment of Temporary Rates (issued August 14, 2015), at 4 (Temporary Rates Order).

¹⁰ Temporary Rates Order, at 4.

On August 14, 2015, the Commission issued an order allowing RG&E to establish a temporary surcharge, subject to refund, to offset, in part, the potential costs of an RSSA during the pendency of the Commission's review of the RSSA Petition. The surcharge approved by the Temporary Rates Order was designed to collect \$1.88 million per month,¹¹ which represents the estimated first full year annual revenue requirement of the Ginna Retirement Transmission Alternative (GRTA), divided by twelve.¹² The GRTA is the identified long-term solution to the reliability needs that would result from the retirement of the Ginna Plant.

Consistent with the Commission's regulations,¹³ on May 5, 2015, RG&E filed with the Commission and served on all parties a Notice of Impending Settlement Negotiations pertaining to the issues presented in the Petition and RSSA.¹⁴ During those negotiations, which began on May 11, 2015, and continued on numerous dates, the parties negotiated revisions to the originally filed RSSA, which resulted in the filing of the JP and the ARSSA on October 21, 2015. In addition, the parties engaged in extensive discovery and exchanged substantial amounts of information.¹⁵ Statements in support of the JP were filed on November 19, 2015, by RG&E, Ginna, Staff, UIU, and MI. A statement in partial opposition was filed jointly by Alliance

¹¹ Staff SIS, at 7 & n. 11.

¹² Temporary Rates Order, at 19.

¹³ 16 NYCRR §3.9.

¹⁴ The parties negotiated before FERC at the same time, in order to settle all issues in the parallel federal and state proceedings. Staff SIS, at 4-5 & n.7.

¹⁵ RG&E responded to 214 information requests. RG&E SIS, at 5 & n. 13.

for a Green Economy (AGREE) and Citizens' Environmental Coalition (CEC) on November 19, 2015.¹⁶

An evidentiary hearing held on December 3, 2015, afforded all parties the opportunity to call witnesses and cross-examine the witnesses of others. RG&E and Staff each presented a panel of witnesses, and both of those panels were cross-examined by AGREE and CEC. No other witnesses were offered. The hearing on the JP resulted in the creation of a transcript of 147 pages, and the admission of 36 exhibits into the record.¹⁷

SUMMARY OF PUBLIC COMMENTS

Since the filing of the Joint Proposal on October 21, 2015, 50 comments have been filed, all opposing the JP. These comments assert that the JP does not provide for decommissioning of the plant and remediation of the facility. They also assert that the JP, by burdening ratepayers with the costs of the ARSSA, is unfair, and shareholders should instead bear the costs because the Company failed to properly anticipate and plan for the retirement of the Ginna Plant.

¹⁶ The following active parties participated in negotiations but did not take a position on the JP: Entergy Nuclear Fitzpatrick, LLC, Entergy Nuclear Indian Point 2, LLC, Entergy Nuclear Indian Point 3, LLC, and Entergy Nuclear Operations, Inc. (collectively, Entergy), and NRG Energy, Inc. (NRG). Staff SIS, at 5 & n. 8.

¹⁷ Ten exhibits had previously been entered into the record at the July 2, 2015 evidentiary hearing on the Temporary Surcharge Petition. One additional Exhibit was entered into the record by a ruling issued January 11, 2016.

SUMMARY OF THE TERMS OF
THE JOINT PROPOSAL

The Scope of the Joint Proposal

The purpose of the JP is to resolve all issues among the Signatory Parties in this proceeding relating to the reliability support service provided to RG&E by the Ginna Plant.¹⁸ As such, it would resolve any issues or claims related to this service through the execution date of the JP, which as noted above, included amendments to the RSSA (ARSSA).¹⁹ The JP would also resolve all issues or claims, if any, related to the prudence of RG&E's actions or omissions prior November 14, 2014, relative to the planning or pursuit of the GRTA.²⁰

The adoption of the JP's terms by the Commission and FERC would resolve all federal and State issues presented in this matter.²¹

The Effective Term of the ARSSA

The RSSA that RG&E originally filed on February 13, 2015 had an effective term of 42 months, from April 1, 2015 to September 30, 2018.²² The ARSSA that accompanied the JP has a

¹⁸ JP, §3.1.

¹⁹ JP, §3.1.2. The JP provides that it is agreed to as of October 20, 2015. JP, at 31.

²⁰ JP, §3.1.2. The November 14, 2014, date derives from the date of issuance of the Commission's order in this proceeding, which, inter alia, directed RG&E to negotiate an RSSA with Ginna.

²¹ JP, §1.2.1; Staff SIS at 5; Ginna SIS, at 9. FERC Staff is a signatory to the settlement before FERC. Staff SIS, at 4-5 & n. 7. See FERC Docket ER15-1047-000.

²² Hearing Exh. 4, February 13, 2015 RSSA, at §2.2(a).

24-month term, from April 1, 2015 through March 31, 2017, which is 18 months shorter.²³

RG&E's Payment Obligations

RG&E's payment obligations to Ginna under the ARSSA fall into three categories. First, RG&E must pay Ginna for reliability services that have already been provided by Ginna since April 1, 2015.²⁴ The monies RG&E owes Ginna for such services, from April 1, 2015, through the date that the required federal and State governmental approvals are obtained, is defined as the "Deferred Collection Amount."²⁵ Under the JP, this amount, including carrying costs, would be paid to Ginna over the remaining term of the ARSSA, i.e., through March 31, 2017.²⁶

Second, on a going forward basis, the ARSSA would oblige RG&E to make payments to Ginna sufficient to guarantee a certain level of revenues for the remainder of the two-year term of the ARSSA.²⁷ Specifically, under the ARSSA, RG&E would make a monthly payment to Ginna of \$15.42 million, offset by 70 percent of Ginna's expected revenues from energy and capacity sales and

²³ JP, Attachment A, ARSSA, §2.2(a). RG&E argues that, by decreasing the term of the RSSA by 18 months, the JP compares favorably with the likely result of a fully litigated outcome on this particular point. RG&E SIS, at 9.

²⁴ JP, Attachment A, §2.2.

²⁵ JP, Attachment A, §4.1(b).

²⁶ JP. Attachment A, §4.1(b); Staff SIS, at 18. See Temporary Rates Order, at 4 (Describing the Deferred Collection Amount).

²⁷ JP, Attachment A, §§1.1(hh) and 4.1.

by 100 percent of Ginna's expected ancillary services revenues.²⁸ Because RG&E's payment obligation is thus tied to Ginna's revenue from its future sales in the wholesale market, and because actual future market prices are unknown, the total amount of RG&E's payments to Ginna under the ARSSA cannot be known precisely.²⁹ Instead, RG&E's payments to Ginna will depend on actual market prices going forward. In addition, RG&E's payments would be adjusted based on Ginna's unplanned outage performance.³⁰

Finally, RG&E would be obliged to pay Ginna a one-time "Settlement Payment" of \$11.458 million following the expiration of the ARSSA.³¹ Staff currently estimates the total payments to RG&E under the ARSSA would be \$166.7 million.³²

The Proposed Surcharge and the Use of Customer Credits

The costs of the ARSSA would be recovered from RG&E's ratepayers through two mechanisms. First, the JP proposes a permanent surcharge to collect \$2.25 million per month,

²⁸ JP, Attachment A, §§3.2(b)-(d). Under the ARSSA, the \$15.42 million amount is referred to as the "Monthly Fixed Amount." JP, Attachment A, §2.3.1. In this order, however, when referring to RG&E's payments to Ginna, we are referring to RG&E's net payment to Ginna, i.e., the \$15.42 million per month, net of 70 percent of Ginna's energy and capacity revenues.

²⁹ Ginna's total compensation under the ARSSA, including RG&E's payments and all of Ginna's market revenues, is limited to a maximum of \$510 million, representing its full cost of service, and a minimum of \$425 million, representing its going forward costs. JP, Attachment A, §4.3. Under current forecasts of market prices, Staff testified that it is unlikely that the floor will be triggered, and, should market prices rise enough to exceed the ceiling, RG&E's ratepayers would then receive a credit. Staff SIS, at 10-12.

³⁰ JP, Attachment A, §5.3.

³¹ JP, Attachment A, §4.4.

³² Staff SIS, at 20.

effective as of January 1, 2016.³³ This would supplant the temporary surcharge approved by the Commission in August 2015. This amount is designed to cover a reasonable level of ARSSA costs over its term, sufficient to meet RG&E's cash flow needs. However, because, as described above, RG&E's total payment obligations depend upon future market prices that are uncertain, and the surcharge amount would be fixed, the JP terms would allow the surcharge to continue past the end of the term ARSSA (i.e., past March 31, 2017), as necessary, until RG&E's costs are fully recovered from ratepayers.³⁴

In addition to the permanent surcharge, the JP proposes that we direct RG&E to use up to \$110 million in existing customer credits (a.k.a., regulatory liabilities) to pay the costs of the ARSSA.³⁵ Staff notes that, when the Commission previously approved the temporary surcharge, it agreed that using customer credits for such a purpose would be wise.³⁶

Under the JP, once RG&E's payments to Ginna for reliability services under the ARSSA have been fully recovered from ratepayers, the surcharge will be terminated or revised, as appropriate. Specifically, the GRTA is expected to be in service on or before the end of the term of the ARSSA. At that time, if the costs of the GRTA have been included in RG&E's electric delivery rates, the surcharge will be terminated.³⁷ If,

³³ JP, §3.2.1.

³⁴ JP, §3.2.2; Staff SIS, at 16.

³⁵ JP, §3.2.2.

³⁶ Staff SIS, at 19 & n. 26 (citing November Order, at 17).

³⁷ JP, §3.2.4; Staff SIS at 16. The rate treatment of the costs of the GRTA will be addressed in RG&E's currently pending rate proceeding. See Case 15-E-0285, Rochester Gas and Electric Corporation -- Electric Rates.

however, the GRTA is operational but its costs have not yet been included in rates, the \$2.25 million monthly surcharge would be re-sized downward to collect \$1.88 million per month, the estimated first full year annual revenue requirement of the GRTA, divided by twelve. This \$1.88 million surcharge will continue until the GRTA is included in rates.

Under the JP, costs to be recovered through the permanent surcharge would be allocated to the ratepayer classes by means of the transmission allocator employed in the most recently concluded RG&E electric rate case, and would be collected on a per kWh basis from non-demand metered customers and on a per kW basis from demand metered customers.³⁸

Reliability, Ginna's Retirement, and the GRTA

In the November Order, the Commission said that Ginna cannot cease operation without written permission of the Commission.³⁹ This was necessary, the Commission said, to protect the public interest given that Ginna sought to retire without identifying a specific retirement date.⁴⁰ The Commission also said Ginna could apply for the necessary permission during the course of this proceeding, or elect to retire, subject to Commission approval, by specifying a date in the RSSA.⁴¹

Under the JP, unless RG&E selects Ginna as needed for continued reliability after the end of effective term of the ARSSA (i.e., March 31, 2017), the Ginna Plant may retire within 75 days of March 31, 2017, without further Commission authorization.⁴²

³⁸ JP, §3.2.4.4; Staff SIS, at 16.

³⁹ November Order, at 21-22.

⁴⁰ November Order, at 22.

⁴¹ November Order, at 22 & n.26.

⁴² JP, §4.1.3.1.

The GRTA is designed and intended to provide a long-term solution to the reliability need created by the retirement of the Ginna facility.⁴³ However, because the GRTA has not yet been fully engineered and constructed, and because continuous system reliability is paramount, the JP includes provisions that would allow RG&E to call upon Ginna for continued reliability services after the end of the term of the RSSA. More specifically, the JP proposes that the Commission require RG&E to conduct an additional reliability study confirming whether the GRTA, when fully implemented, will address the reliability needs associated with the retirement of the Ginna Plant, or, if not, identify any reliability needs that would not be addressed by the GRTA.⁴⁴ If the GRTA is not fully implemented by March 31, 2017, or would not fully address reliability needs identified by the study, then RG&E would be required to evaluate and identify operational protocols or other measures to mitigate need and, if necessary, conduct an open solicitation for reliability solutions, and Ginna would be required to participate in that solicitation.⁴⁵

If RG&E selects Ginna for continued reliability services after March 31, 2017, then the JP includes provisions for RG&E and Ginna to negotiate the terms of such an arrangement. If such negotiations fail, however, the JP terms would allow RG&E to unilaterally select Ginna, and Ginna would

⁴³ Temporary Rates Order, at 7-8 & n. 17.

⁴⁴ JP, §§4.1.1 - 4.1.3. The JP would also require RG&E's study to identify reasonable operational protocols or other measures that may mitigate any reliability need, should the GRTA not be fully in place by March 31, 2017. JP §4.1.1.4.

⁴⁵ JP, §§ 4.1.2 and 4.1.3. In response to such a solicitation, the JP would require Ginna to offer rates, terms and conditions that Ginna, in its sole discretion, deems appropriate.

be obliged, under such circumstances, to continue operating on an "involuntary" basis, pending the adjudication of the matter before the FERC.⁴⁶

THE STANDARD OF REVIEW

Our obligation in reviewing any joint proposal submitted for our consideration is to ensure that its terms, viewed as a whole, produce a result that is in the public interest. Our Settlement Guidelines describe the factors we consider in making that assessment.⁴⁷ In general, a negotiated recommended outcome should strive for a balance among protection of the ratepayers, fairness to investors, and the long-term viability of the utility. It should also be consistent with sound environmental, social, and economic policies of the Commission and the State, and produce results within the range of reasonable outcomes likely from a Commission decision in a litigated proceeding.⁴⁸ The Commission will give appropriate weight to the fact that a negotiated outcome reflects an agreement between normally adversarial parties.⁴⁹

THE PARTIES' POSITIONS

The signatories to the JP, including RG&E, Ginna, Staff, UIU and MI (collectively, the Signatories), filed statements supporting the JP. AGREE and CEC jointly filed a statement opposing the JP, in part. The following parties actively participated in the negotiations but took no position on the JP: Entergy Nuclear FitzPatrick, LLC, Entergy Nuclear Indian Point 2, LLC, Entergy Nuclear Indian Point 3, LLC, and

⁴⁶ JP, §§4.1.3.2 - 4.1.3.4.

⁴⁷ Cases 90-M-0255, et al., Procedures for Settlements and Stipulation Agreements, Opinion 92-2 (issued March 24, 1992).

⁴⁸ Settlement Guidelines, Appendix B, at 8.

⁴⁹ Settlement Guidelines, Appendix B, at 8.

Entergy Nuclear Operations, Inc. (collectively, Entergy), and NRG Energy, Inc. (NRG).⁵⁰

The Signatories assert the JP is in the public interest and satisfies the Commission's Settlement Guidelines based upon the following major terms: (1) the JP, and the ARSSA, would ensure RG&E's ability to continue providing safe and reliable electric service, pending the design and construction of transmission upgrades identified as the long-term solution to the retirement of the Ginna Facility; (2) the 24-month term of the proposed ARSSA is no longer than needed; (3) the JP would establish upper and lower limits on Ginna's total compensation under the ARSSA, ranging from Ginna's going forward costs as the minimum up to Ginna's full cost of service as the maximum; (4) RG&E's payments to Ginna under the ARSSA would be net of 70 percent of Ginna's revenues from the sale of energy and capacity in wholesale markets; (5) RG&E would use up to \$110 million in customer credits to offset RG&E's obligations under the ARSSA; and (6) if the Ginna Plant continues operating more than 75 days after the end of the ARSSA, RG&E would be able to recover approximately \$20.1 million in capital costs over a two-year period.

These aspects of the JP, and how they relate to the Commission's Settlement Guidelines, are discussed more fully below.

The Two-Year Term of the ARSSA

Several parties took issue with the duration of the originally proposed RSSA, on the ground that it would have remained effective well beyond the anticipated need for the Ginna Plant.⁵¹ By comparison, the Signatories contend, the two-

⁵⁰ Staff SIS, at 5 & n. 8.

⁵¹ MI says that, in its view, this was one of the biggest issues in the case. MI SIS, at 5.

year term of the ARSSA is reasonable because it more closely aligns with the estimated in-service date of RG&E's proposed GRTA.⁵² As discussed more fully below, the GRTA will address the reliability need associated with retirement of the Ginna Facility.⁵³

The Signatories say the two-year term of the ARSSA would serve ratepayer interests by materially reducing its costs, and reduce ratepayer exposure to above-market costs.⁵⁴ According to Staff, the shorter term of the ARSSA could potentially save ratepayers millions of dollars.⁵⁵ UIU states this alone would relieve ratepayers of approximately \$375 million in costs, compared to the originally filed RSSA.⁵⁶

The Proposed Surcharge and Bill Impacts

The temporary surcharge approved by the Commission in August, 2015, recovers from ratepayers \$1.88 million per month.⁵⁷ The JP recommends a permanent surcharge that would supplant the temporary surcharge, and would recover from ratepayers \$2.25 million per month.⁵⁸ Staff testified that the surcharge level was a component of an overall settlement package that included a substantial use of one-time credits, a shifting of more market risk to Ginna, and a cap on Ginna's total compensation.⁵⁹ Staff testified that, after the application of credits, the surcharge

⁵² RG&E SIS, at 8-9.

⁵³ RG&E SIS, at 9. Among other things, the JP would require RG&E to conduct a reliability study to confirming that the GRTA will address reliability needs. See JP, §4.1.1.

⁵⁴ The originally filed RSSA would have had a 42-month term.

⁵⁵ Staff SIS, at 6-7.

⁵⁶ UIU SIS, at 2. See also MI SIS, at 6.

⁵⁷ Staff SIS, at 7 & n. 11.

⁵⁸ JP §3.2.1; Staff SIS, at 7-8.

⁵⁹ Staff SIS, at 21; Hearing Exh. 59.

proposed under the JP would produce a bill increase of 2.8 percent on system average (2.3 percent for the average 600 kWh/month customer), or 0.3 percent over the temporary surcharge approved in the Temporary Rates Order, while maintaining an adequate cash flow to RG&E.⁶⁰ Because of this, according to Staff, RG&E's credit rating will remain robust, enabling it to continue accessing capital at reasonable costs.⁶¹

UIU also supports the proposed surcharge, as a compromise between RG&E and parties representing end-use customers.⁶² UIU said it had advocated for using customer credits to offset all RSSA costs, but said that the circumstances justify the proposed permanent \$2.25 million surcharge, customer interests will be served by preserving the Company's credit rating, and the \$2.25 million monthly figure is reasonably close to the \$1.88 million monthly cost of the GRTA.⁶³

In its statement in support of the JP, MI asserts that the JP is in the public interest not because it is especially favorable to customers, large or small, but because the JP represents the most equitable outcome achievable under the circumstances.⁶⁴ Still, MI notes, the JP would require customers to pay a lot of money (via surcharges and customer credits) in out of market payments to ensure that the Ginna Plant continues operating in the near term.⁶⁵

⁶⁰ Staff SIS, at 21.

⁶¹ Staff SIS, at 21.

⁶² UIU SIS, at 6.

⁶³ UIU SIS, at 6.

⁶⁴ MI SIS, at 4 & n. 8.

⁶⁵ MI SIS, at n. 8.

The Limits on Ginna's Compensation

Staff asserts that the payment "floor" and "cap" provisions under the JP are reasonable. According to Staff, the \$425 million minimum payment amount, though slightly higher (by \$22.5 million) than Staff's estimate of Ginna's going forward costs, is acceptable given the uncertainties inherent in forecasts of Ginna's future risks and costs, such as costs relating to safety, emergency preparedness, and labor.⁶⁶ Staff also notes that, in order for the minimum payment provision to be triggered, market prices would have to decline to previously unseen levels, i.e., below \$15.06/MWh, on a sustained basis.⁶⁷ With respect to the upper limit on RG&E's payments to Ginna, Staff notes that it is actually \$4.5 million lower than Staff's \$514 million estimate of Ginna's full cost of service, and is within the range of litigated outcomes.⁶⁸

Limits on RG&E's Ability to Pay Dividends

Staff also points to provisions of the JP limiting RG&E's ability to issue dividends until it is sufficiently above its minimum equity ratio, currently 48 percent, saying they will prevent RG&E from getting over-leveraged, thereby protecting RG&E's credit rating and access to capital, without unreasonable costs.⁶⁹ Such provisions, Staff notes, are consistent with the Commission's approach to minimum equity requirements in other cases.⁷⁰ Overall, these terms of the JP, Staff argues, are consistent with Commission policy and strike a proper balance

⁶⁶ Staff SIS, at 12.

⁶⁷ Staff SIS, at 12.

⁶⁸ Staff SIS, at 15.

⁶⁹ Staff SIS, at 25-26.

⁷⁰ Staff SIS, at 25-26 (discussing Case 12-M-0066, Iberdrola USA, Inc.).

between the interests of the Company's shareholders and ratepayers, and protect the long-term viability of the utility.⁷¹

The Use of Customer Credits

Staff supports the terms of the JP calling for the use of up to \$110 million in customer credits to offset the costs of the ARSSA. Staff asserts this will mitigate the ratepayer impacts of the ARSSA.⁷² Staff says the limits on the use of one-time credits were negotiated to strike a balance between maintaining reasonable rates and allowing the utility to maintain adequate cash flow.⁷³ Staff also notes that the Commission has previously recognized that such use of one-time credits to offset one-time costs is good ratemaking practice because it avoids the distortion that can occur if one-time credits are applied to ongoing costs.⁷⁴ The proposed use of customer credits would advance ratepayer interests, Staff argues, by mitigating the bill impacts of the ARSSA surcharge and by returning such credits, as much as possible, to the ratepayers on whose behalf these credits accrued.⁷⁵ At the same time, by limiting the use of customer credits at \$110 million, Staff asserts that the JP will protect the utility's credit ratings and cash flow.⁷⁶

In its testimony, Staff also noted that the use of customer credits to offset the costs of the ARSSA was a litigation position taken by several parties to this proceeding,

⁷¹ Staff SIS, at 24-26.

⁷² Staff SIS, at 8.

⁷³ Staff SIS, at 24.

⁷⁴ Staff SIS, at 23 (citing the Temporary Rates Order, at 17).

⁷⁵ Staff SIS, at 23.

⁷⁶ Staff SIS, at 21-24.

and there was no such provision in the originally proposed RSSA.⁷⁷

UIU says allowing the use of customer credits to offset ARSSA costs in excess of \$2.25 million per month is a compromise between the Company and parties representing end-use customers. UIU had advocated using customer credits to offset all costs related to the RSSA.⁷⁸ UIU supports the proposed use of customer credits because it will mitigate rate impacts, because protecting the Company's cash flow and credit ratings is in the customers' interests, and because the \$2.25 million monthly threshold is reasonably close to the projected \$1.88 million monthly cost of the GRTA.⁷⁹

Energy and Capacity Revenue Sharing Provisions

The Signatories argue that the payment terms of the JP appropriately balance the utility and ratepayer interests. Under the originally filed RSSA, RG&E's payments would have been offset by an amount equal to 85 percent of Ginna's revenues from the sale of energy and capacity in markets administered by the New York State Independent System Operator (NYISO).⁸⁰ The payment structure under the JP shifts more market risk to Ginna by reducing RG&E's monthly fixed payments to Ginna, while offsetting those fixed payments by a smaller percentage of

⁷⁷ Staff SIS, at 8.

⁷⁸ UIU SIS, at 6.

⁷⁹ UIU SIS, at 6; Temporary Rates Order, at 7 & n. 16 (the projected full first year revenue requirement for the GRTA and Fifth Bay-Station 80 project is \$22.613 million).

⁸⁰ Under the originally-filed RSSA, RG&E's fixed monthly payments would have been \$17.504 million, offset by a credit equal to 85 percent of Ginna's energy and capacity sales revenues. See ARSSA, Attachment B, §1.1(hh). Under the ARSSA, RG&E's monthly fixed payment would be \$15.42 million per month, offset by a credit equal to 70 percent of Ginna's energy and capacity sales revenues. ARSSA, §1.1(ff).

Ginna's energy and capacity revenues (i.e., 70 percent rather than 85 percent). This design would place Ginna at greater risk of market price fluctuations, and, to a greater degree, protect ratepayers against such risk. Staff and RG&E assert this would serve ratepayer interests while providing Ginna with a strong incentive to maximize production from the plant (in order to maximize energy and capacity revenues).⁸¹ Since ratepayers would still receive a credit equivalent to 70 percent of such revenues, these revenue sharing ratios also ensure that ratepayers receive the majority of the financial benefit from the continued operation of the plant.

Prior Commission Orders

Staff distinguishes these revenue sharing provisions from those approved in the Commission's previous orders in the Cayuga and Dunkirk cases, where 100 percent of capacity revenues were credited against ratepayer obligations and 100 percent of net energy revenues were excluded from the RSSA payment calculation.⁸² Staff notes that Cayuga and Dunkirk involved temporary shutdowns, or "mothballing," of coal units, while this case involves the permanent retirement of a nuclear plant.⁸³ These distinctions, Staff asserts, make it difficult to directly

⁸¹ Staff SIS, at 7; RG&E SIS, at 12.

⁸² Staff notes, however, that net energy revenues above \$5 million were equally shared between the utility and ratepayers in the Cayuga case. Staff SIS, at 27.

⁸³ Case 12-E-0400, Petition of Cayuga Operating Company, LLC to Mothball Generating Units 1 and 2, Order Providing for Cost Review and Recovery and Making Other Findings (issued December 12, 2014); Case 12-E-0136, Petition of Dunkirk Power LLC and NRG Energy, Inc. for Waiver of Generator Retirement Requirements, Order Deciding Reliability Issues and Addressing Cost Allocation and Recovery (issued August 16, 2012).

compare the specific terms of the RSSA in these three cases.⁸⁴ For example, because the Ginna Plant is a base load plant, where output is typically not varied in response to changing economic conditions, the coal plants in the Cayuga and Dunkirk cases were more susceptible to operational variations in response to changing reliability and economic conditions. Staff argues such differences warrant a different approach to revenue sharing in the instant case.

Staff asserts, the payments under the ARSSA, like those approved in the Commission's prior Cayuga and Dunkirk decisions, would fall within the range between the upper limit of the full cost of service and the lower limit of the utility's going-forward costs. Staff also points to performance-based provisions in the ARSSA that would allow adjustments to RG&E's monthly payments in the event of lengthy unplanned outages at the Ginna Plant.⁸⁵ For all these reasons, Staff asserts, the terms of the JP are consistent with Commission policy and reasonable under the particular facts and circumstances of this case.⁸⁶

Reliability Need

The Commission's November Order in this proceeding accepted the findings of the May 12, 2014 reliability study produced by the New York Independent System Operator (NYISO). That study found that the retirement of Ginna would result in bulk transmission system and non-bulk local distribution system reliability violations in 2015 and 2018, the two years studied.⁸⁷

⁸⁴ Staff SIS, at 26.

⁸⁵ Staff SIS, at 27; ARSSA, §5.3.

⁸⁶ Staff SIS, at 28.

⁸⁷ November Order, at 15-16.

To address the reliability needs related to the retirement of the Ginna Plant, RG&E proposed the GRTA which, Staff testified, is expected to be in service by June of 2017.⁸⁸ Staff's testimony concurs with RG&E's assessment that the GRTA will address reliability issues currently anticipated to result from the shutdown of the Ginna facility.⁸⁹ Under the terms of the JP, the Ginna Plant would provide continued reliable electric service to RG&E's system and its customers.⁹⁰ Staff also notes that, unlike the originally proposed RSSA, the JP would include provisions for a permanent reliability solution should the Ginna Facility retire. More specifically, under the terms of the JP, RG&E will be required, in coordination with the NYISO, to perform an updated reliability study to confirm that reliability concerns are still presented by the potential retirement of the Ginna Plant and that the GRTA will resolve any reliability needs resulting from a retirement of the Ginna Facility.⁹¹

Staff also notes that, if the GRTA fails to address all reliability needs, RG&E will be required to issue a solicitation for alternative solutions and, in such event, Ginna will be required to participate in that solicitation.⁹²

⁸⁸ Staff SIS, at 30.

⁸⁹ Staff SIS, at 31.

⁹⁰ Staff SIS, at 31.

⁹¹ Staff SIS, at 31. RG&E filed a reliability study on November 10, 2015 confirming that the GRTA, when fully implemented, will do so. Case 14-E-0270, Ginna Retirement Reliability Study, Public-Redacted, (October 27, 2015), at 10.

⁹² On October 30, 2015, RG&E issued a Request for Proposals seeking 580 Mw to address the potential need created by failure to complete the GRTA by March 31, 2017. Hearing Exh. 15, Request for Proposal, Contingency Alternative to Ginna RSSA, (October 30, 2015), at 5.

Ginna's Ability to Retire

The parties' statements and briefs do not directly address the particular provision of the JP that would allow Ginna to retire without further Commission authorization within 75 days after the end of the term of the ARSSA if RG&E does not select Ginna to continue providing reliability services. Rather, the Signatories point to provisions of the JP which, they assert, will ensure system reliability both during the term of the ARSSA, and thereafter. For example, Staff testified that, until the full implementation of the GRTA, the JP will ensure reliability of the electric system.⁹³ For support, Staff points to the JP's requirement for a new reliability study to confirm that the GRTA, when fully implemented, will resolve all reliability concerns related to the retirement of the Ginna Facility.⁹⁴ Staff also asserts that, unlike the originally proposed RSSA, the JP would ensure the construction of the GRTA as a permanent reliability solution.⁹⁵ Finally Staff notes reporting requirements under the JP, which Staff says will ensure regulatory oversight of RG&E's development and implementation of the GRTA.⁹⁶

MI presents similar arguments, asserting the JP contains adequate safeguards to ensure reliability.⁹⁷ MI notes the provisions of the JP (1) requiring RG&E to complete an updated reliability study taking the GRTA into account;⁹⁸(2) requiring RG&E to solicit proposals for reliability support

⁹³ Staff SIS, at 31.

⁹⁴ Staff SIS, at 31; JP, Attachment A, §§4.1.1 & 4.1.1.1.

⁹⁵ Staff SIS, at 31.

⁹⁶ Staff SIS, at 31-32; JP, Attachment A, §4.1.6.

⁹⁷ MI SIS, at 6.

⁹⁸ JP, Attachment A, §4.4.4.

services if the GRTA is not placed in service on schedule and a reliability need exists after March 31, 2017;⁹⁹ (3) requiring Ginna to participate in such solicitation, if it takes place;¹⁰⁰ (4) requiring RG&E to use commercially reasonable efforts to construct and place the GRTA in service as soon as practicable;¹⁰¹ and (5) requiring RG&E to submit multiple reports to the Commission regarding the status of the GRTA.¹⁰² These provisions, MI argues, would ensure continued reliability until the reliability needs raised by the retirement of the Ginna Plant can be addressed, even in the event the GRTA is not completed under the schedule presently anticipated.¹⁰³

Support of Parties Having Adverse Interests

UIU notes the JP is supported by Ginna (i.e., the generator), RG&E (i.e., the incumbent utility), Staff, and parties representing residential and small non-residential customers (i.e., UIU), and large non-residential customers (i.e. MI). In addition, several other active parties representing generation owners other than Ginna (i.e., the Entergy Entities, FirstEnergy and the NRG Companies) do not actively oppose the JP. MI also noted that the opponents, AGREE and CEC, oppose the

⁹⁹ JP, Attachment A, §4.1.2.

¹⁰⁰ JP, Attachment A, §4.1.3.

¹⁰¹ JP, Attachment A, §4.1.4.

¹⁰² JP, Attachment A, §4.1.6.

¹⁰³ MI SIS, at 6. MI also notes that the JP would not preclude the Signatories from raising claims of imprudence against RG&E, based on events after the issuance of this order, if the GRTA is not completed on schedule. MI SIS, at 6 & n. 12.

JP only on limited grounds.¹⁰⁴ MI argues that, given the amounts at stake as well as the diverse and often adverse interests of the active parties to this proceeding, the relative lack of opposition to the JP is evidence of its strength.¹⁰⁵

Decommissioning

In a ruling issued May 14, 2015, the ALJs found that issues about decommissioning of the Ginna Facility, which had been urged by AGREE and CEC, were beyond the scope of the proceeding.¹⁰⁶ AGREE and CEC jointly filed an interlocutory appeal, seeking reversal on a number of grounds.¹⁰⁷ They argued, inter alia, that a factual record on decommissioning should be developed now, because the State has "leverage" since Ginna seeks approval of an RSSA. They argued that, although the Federal Nuclear Regulatory Commission sets minimum standards for decommissioning, the State can seek a better decommissioning plan as a prerequisite to approving the RSSA. AGREE/CEC also asserted decommissioning is closely related to the retirement of the Ginna Facility, and should therefore be considered now. Finally, they argued there is no other circumstance under which

¹⁰⁴ MI SIS, at 18-19. MI's observations about the support for, or opposition to, the JP were made before the Statements on the JP had been filed. Thus, they were expressed prospectively, and were later borne out by the parties' subsequent filings (and, in the case of Entergy, FirstEnergy and NRG, their decision not to file statements on the JP).

¹⁰⁵ MI SIS, at 18.

¹⁰⁶ Ruling on Scope of Issues For Hearing, (Issued May 14, 2015), at 12.

¹⁰⁷ Interlocutory Appeal of Ruling on Scope of Issues for Hearing (May 29, 2015). RG&E also filed an interlocutory appeal of the Ruling on Scope of Issues. Rochester Gas And Electric Corporation's Petition for Interlocutory Review of Ruling on Scope of Issues for Hearing, (May 29, 2015).

they would have the opportunity to enter evidence into the record on decommissioning.

Staff's filing in opposition to AGREE/CEC's interlocutory appeal did not address the question of decommissioning, aside from saying the Ruling itself properly and fully explained why AGREE/CEC's interlocutory appeal should be denied.¹⁰⁸

RG&E opposed AGREE/CEC's interlocutory appeal as well, saying, with respect to decommissioning, that it has no bearing on the matters before the Commission.¹⁰⁹

DISCUSSION

The Joint Proposal and ARSSA are the result of negotiations following RG&E's filing of the RSSA which was filed in response to the November Order. We find that the terms of the Joint Proposal strike the appropriate balance among the competing interests and considerations at stake and are in the public interest.

Reliability

First and foremost, the terms of the JP will provide for the continued operation of the Ginna Facility during the time needed for RG&E to construct the GRTA, which is the identified solution to the reliability needs associated with the closure of the Ginna Plant. This will enable the Company to continue providing reliable electric service to its customers, which is a paramount concern of the Commission.

¹⁰⁸ Staff's Opposition to Petitions for Interlocutory Review of Ruling on Scope of Issues for Hearing, (filed June 8, 2015), at 2 & n. 2.

¹⁰⁹ Letter from B. Fitzgerald to K. Burgess, (June 8, 2015) (filed June 8, 2015).

Importantly, the JP includes terms and provisions designed to ensure that the GRTA will address the reliability needs arising from the retirement of the Ginna Plant and to ensure that RG&E uses all commercially reasonable efforts to timely construct the GRTA.¹¹⁰ These terms are a material improvement over the initially-filed RSSA, in that they ensure a long-term solution to the retirement of Ginna.

The Term of the Amended RSSA

The shortened term of the ARSSA, 24 months rather than 42 months, is a material and significant change in the balance of interests. The term of the ARSSA is much more closely aligned with the estimated in-service date of the GRTA. This shortening of the term of the RSSA addresses public concerns about mitigating the costs of the RSSA, while still permitting the utility the time needed to put a long-term solution into effect. This too is an appropriate balancing of competing interests.

Cost Recovery and Use of Customer Credits

The terms of the JP relating to RG&E's recovery of the costs of the ARSSA also appropriately balance the interests of ratepayers and the interests of shareholders. Ratepayers are rightfully concerned about having rates that are relatively stable and predictable, and using one-time revenues to pay one-time costs is a sound ratemaking practice. Ratepayers are also concerned about both the short-term and long-term reliability of the electric system. Shareholders are concerned about the long-term viability of the utility, and want to achieve a fair return on investment. The financial health of the Company is advanced by its ability to maintain its cash flow, credit ratings, and access to capital. This, in turn, advances the interests of

¹¹⁰ JP, at §4.1.4.

both ratepayers and shareholders. The proposed use of existing customer credits will mitigate the bill impacts of the costs of the ARSSA, while protecting the Company's long-term viability, its cash flow, credit ratings and ability to freely access capital markets.

The proposed use of up to \$110 million in customer credits to pay the costs of the ARSSA would strike a reasonable balance. Using existing customer credits in this way will limit the bill impacts of the ARSSA. In addition, the permanent surcharge, sized to raise \$2.25 million per month and continuing as needed until the costs of the ARSSA are recovered from ratepayers, will allow RG&E to recover its costs under the ARSSA in a timely fashion while providing rate certainty for ratepayers.¹¹¹ These terms of the JP will put the Company on a stable footing, and advance the goal of having stable rates over the long term.

Energy and Capacity Revenue Sharing

Allowing RG&E to offset its costs by an amount equivalent to 70 percent of Ginna's wholesale energy and capacity revenues appropriately balances the interests of ratepayers and Ginna. The majority of such revenues will effectively be applied to benefit ratepayers, by offsetting the costs of the ARSSA. This is reasonable because, absent the ARSSA, the Ginna Facility would cease operations and not realize any revenues. At the same time, Ginna will have an incentive to

¹¹¹ Whereas the temporary surcharge was set at a level designed to recover estimated GRTA costs, for reasons described in the Temporary Rates Order, it is now appropriate, as we approve the ARSSA, to set the surcharge at a level designed to fully recover the ARSSA costs over a reasonable period of time as proposed in the JP.

operate the plant at full capacity, inasmuch as it will retain 30 percent of the wholesale energy and capacity revenues.¹¹²

Prudence

We are not persuaded by the allegations of AGREE and CEC that RG&E was not prudent in anticipating and planning for the potential retirement of the Ginna Plant. AGREE and CEC have not presented any probative evidence to support such allegations. Moreover, neither AGREE and CEC allege they were deprived of reasonable opportunity to make such a showing.¹¹³

On the other hand, we are persuaded by the arguments advanced by both Staff and the Company, that the evidence relied upon by AGREE and CEC - trade press articles discussing the possibility that the Ginna Plant might close - are insufficient to raise the specter of imprudence. On the record before us, no party has made a prima facie case of imprudence on the part of RG&E, and therefore we decline to commence a prudence proceeding and to shift the burden to RG&E to demonstrate that it acted prudently.

The JP would resolve any issues or claims relating to RG&E's prudence in relation to the ARSSA, and any claims relating to the prudence of RG&E's actions or omissions prior to November 14, 2014, with respect to the planning or pursuit of the GRTA.¹¹⁴ It would not, however, resolve any claims as to the prudence of RG&E's actions or omissions concerning the GRTA on

¹¹² JP, §2.3.2.

¹¹³ In its statement supporting the JP, UIU alleges factual grounds it claims present a prima facie claim of imprudence. UIU SIS, at 7. However, UIU goes on to say that, after carefully evaluating the litigation risks of such claims, it concluded that ratepayer interests are better served by adopting the terms of the JP, rather than pursuing litigation having an uncertain outcome. UIU SIS, at 8.

¹¹⁴ JP, §3.1.2.

or after November 14, 2014.¹¹⁵ These terms also strike a reasonable balance, in that they resolve uncertainty regarding RG&E's potential exposure for events preceding the issuance of the November 2014 order, but preserve the ability of others to challenge the prudence of RG&E's implementation of the GRTA, after that date. As such, these provisions provide the Company with reasonable certainty going forward, and help ensure that ratepayer interests are not underserved in the implementation of the long-term solution to Ginna's retirement. These provisions, when considered along with the other terms of the JP that serve ratepayer interest, strike a reasonable balance and will advance the public interest.

Authorization for Ginna to Retire

With certain exceptions, by adopting the terms of the JP, the Commission will be allowing Ginna to retire, without further authorization from the Commission, within 75 days of March 31, 2017 (i.e., the end of the term of the ARSSA)."¹¹⁶ None of the filings of the Signatories speak directly to this particular provision of the JP. Instead, the filings address how and why the terms of the JP would ensure continued reliability of the electric system, both during the construction of the GRTA and after the GRTA is placed in service.

Nonetheless, we find this provision to be reasonable. In November of 2014, the Commission prohibited Ginna from ceasing operations without prior written authorization to allow

¹¹⁵ JP, §3.1.2; UIU SIS, at 8.

¹¹⁶ JP, Attachment A, §§4.1.3.1. Alternatively, under Section 4.1.3.1, if Ginna were to be selected by RG&E through a solicitation as a reliability solution subsequent to March 31, 2017, then Ginna could retire within 75 days after the termination date of the agreement reached with RG&E as part of that selection process. JP, Attachment A, §4.1.3.1.

time to develop and implement alternatives to the Ginna Plant.¹¹⁷ The JP addresses this concern. More specifically, the JP includes terms to ensure the GRTA will address reliability needs associated with the retirement of Ginna.¹¹⁸ It has terms to ensure RG&E constructs and places the GRTA in service as soon as practicable.¹¹⁹ The JP includes terms that preserve RG&E's ability, if necessary, to select Ginna for continued reliability services after the end of the term of the ARSSA.¹²⁰

Given all these protections, it is reasonable to require no additional process for Ginna to retire within 75 days of the end of the ARSSA,¹²¹ provided RG&E has not selected Ginna for the continued provision of reliability services. Moreover, within the context of the entire JP, this specific provision of the JP is not inconsistent with our Settlement Guidelines.

The Interlocutory Appeals

On May 14, 2015, the ALJs issued a ruling on the scope of issues for hearing (May Ruling).¹²² The ALJs declined to consider issues of the reliability need addressed by the RSSA and issues as to the operation of the Ginna Facility after RSSA

¹¹⁷ November Order, at 21-22. The Commission explained that its prior orders specifying a 180-day period for giving notice of retirement were intended "to determine whether any adverse impacts on reliability might arise upon the closure of a generation facility, and, if so, to afford time to develop and implement alternatives." November Order, at 17-18.

¹¹⁸ JP, §4.1. A reliability study conducted by RG&E pursuant to the JP, and filed on November 10, 2015, confirms that the GRTA, when fully implemented, will do so. Case 14-E-0270, Ginna Retirement Reliability Study, Public-Redacted, (October 27, 2015), at 10.

¹¹⁹ JP, §4.1.4.

¹²⁰ JP, §4.1.3.

¹²¹ As discussed more fully below, Ginna may have reasons to remain in operation post the ARSSA.

¹²² Ruling on Scope Issues For Hearing, (Issued May 14, 2015).

expiration. The ALJs decided, however, that issues bearing on recovery of costs arising from the RSSA, including the RSSA term, would be the subject of hearings.

AGREE and CEC filed an interlocutory appeal, insofar as the reliability need for the plant and its post-RSSA operation would not be the basis for evidentiary hearings. RG&E filed an interlocutory appeal challenging the May Ruling insofar as it would allow the parties to explore factual issues related to cost recovery under the RSSA during the evidentiary hearings.¹²³

We deny the interlocutory appeal jointly filed by AGREE and CEC. As a first ground for appeal, AGREE and CEC asked the Commission to allow further development of the record on the question of the reliability need for the continued operation of the Ginna Plant. That is not a valid basis for appeal because the reliability need for the plant was considered and decided by the Commission in the November Order, and that order was not timely challenged. Moreover, the question is now moot because, pursuant to the terms of the JP, RG&E has conducted a new reliability study which confirmed the reliability need posed by the retirement of Ginna. That study has also confirmed that, when fully implemented, the GRTA will address those needs.¹²⁴

As a second ground for appeal, by AGREE and CEC argue that the record should be developed on the questions related to Ginna's continued operation, or closure, after the RSSA comes to

¹²³ Both interlocutory appeals, and filings made by the parties in relation to those appeals, are part of the record before us and have been considered. Those filings are only described herein to the limited extent necessary to explain the reasons for our decision.

¹²⁴ Ginna Retirement Reliability Study, Public-Redacted, (October 27, 2015), at 10.

an end. This ground for appeal is denied as moot. In the November Order, the Commission found that continued operation of the Ginna Plant is necessary to preserve system reliability. The terms of the JP would, under certain limited circumstances, allow the Ginna Facility to retire within 75 days of the March 31, 2017, end of the term of the ARSSA. The terms of the JP would also authorize RG&E, under certain circumstances, to select Ginna for continued operation after March 31, 2017, if RG&E determines the plant is needed for reliability purposes. These aspects of the JP address the second ground asserted by AGREE and CEC in their interlocutory appeal. Therefore this question is also moot.

Finally, we uphold the May Ruling insofar as it found that questions relating to the decommissioning of the Ginna Facility are outside the scope of this proceeding. Neither AGREE nor CEC assert that decommissioning must necessarily be decided in order to consider the relief sought by RG&E and Ginna. Instead, they argue only that, because RG&E and Ginna seek Commission approval of an RSSA, the Commission has an opportunity to exact concessions from Ginna on questions related to decommissioning. We decline this invitation to do so. Questions related to decommissioning need not be decided at this time. Accordingly, we have not considered those portions of AGREE/CEC's statement in partial opposition to the JP and their post-hearing brief that relate to the question of decommissioning.¹²⁵

We also deny the interlocutory appeal filed by RG&E, on the ground that it is mooted by our approval of the terms of

¹²⁵ We decline to consider the Reply filing made by RG&E on January 4, 2016, because it is moot and because it was not an authorized filing. We also decline to consider the unauthorized Sur-Reply filed by AGREE/CEC on January 24, 2016.

the JP. The JP expressly resolves all issues related to the ARSSA among the Signatory parties in this case.¹²⁶

Public Comments

In the November Order, the Commission found that Ginna's continued operation is necessary to the reliability of RG&E's electric system and directed RG&E to negotiate a contract with Ginna to ensure such continued operation.¹²⁷ For this reason, earlier comments in opposition to the continued operation of the Ginna Facility are not persuasive. More recent comments in opposition to the ARSSA fail to recognize the reliability need for the Ginna Facility, which was confirmed by a more recent reliability study performed by RG&E.¹²⁸

Because the Ginna facility is needed to ensure continued system reliability, and there is no probative evidence that RG&E's planning efforts have been imprudent, we also reject the comments recommending that shareholders, rather than ratepayers, bear the costs of the ARSSA. Ratepayers benefit from RG&E's reliable provision of electric services, and, barring valid reasons to the contrary, it is fair that ratepayers pay such costs.

We also find significant the fact that, unlike earlier comments, the more recently filed comments do not assert that the term of the ARSSA is too long, or that the ARSSA will lead to unacceptable rate impacts. This, as well as other factors discussed herein, supports an inference that the ARSSA addresses such concerns.

¹²⁶ JP, §3.1.

¹²⁷ November Order, at 24-25.

¹²⁸ Ginna Retirement Reliability Study, Public-Redacted, (October 27, 2015), at 10.

For all these reasons, we find that the terms of the JP are consistent with the principles set forth in our Settlement Guidelines, and are in the public interest.

Clean Energy Standard

By order issued January 21, 2015, the Commission expanded the scope of the Large Scale Renewable Energy proceeding to examine the implementation of a Clean Energy Standard (CES).¹²⁹ That proceeding will address how to achieve the State's goals for renewable energy generation, and will also examine measures to maintain the State's zero emissions electric generation resources pending the full realization of the State's renewable energy goals. Although the record is still being developed in that newly expanded proceeding, and we anticipate a recommendation will be brought before us at our June 2016 session, we note here that the outcome of that other proceeding may affect the continued operation of the Ginna Facility.

With the development of zero emission credits through the CES proceeding, Ginna may find revenues sufficient to continue operation of its plant beyond the term of the ARSSA. There does not appear to be anything in the JP or in the ARSSA that would preclude Ginna from participating in a program such as the program currently under consideration under the CES. Nor are there any terms in the JP or the ARSSA that would prevent the Ginna Facility from continuing to operate after the effective term of the ARSSA, should Ginna decide to do so.

¹²⁹ Case 15-E-0302, In the Matter of Implementation of a Large-Scale Renewable Program, Order Expanding Scope of Proceeding and Seeking Comments (issued January 21, 2016).

The Commission orders:

1. The terms of the Joint Proposal agreed to as of October 20, 2015, and filed in this proceeding on October 21, 2015, which is attached as Appendix A, are adopted and incorporated as part of this order.

2. The interlocutory appeal filed by Rochester Gas and Electric Corporation, and the interlocutory appeal jointly filed by the Alliance of a Green Economy and Citizens' Environmental Council, each of which seeks review of a Ruling on Scope of Issues For Hearing issued on May 14, 2015 in this proceeding, are denied for the reasons set forth in the body of this order.

3. Rochester Gas and Electric Corporation is directed to file cancellation supplements, effective on not less than one day's notice, on or before February 26, 2016, cancelling the tariff amendments and supplements listed in Attachment B to this order.

4. Rochester Gas and Electric Corporation (RG&E) is directed to file, on not less than one day's notice, to become effective March 1, 2016 on a temporary basis, such further tariff amendments as are necessary to effectuate the terms of this order and to incorporate any provisions that were previously approved by the Commission since the tariff amendments in Appendix B were filed. RG&E shall serve copies of its filing on all parties to this case. Any comments on the compliance filing must be filed within 14 days of service of the Company's proposed amendments. The amendments specified in the compliance filing shall not become effective on a permanent basis until approved by the Commission.

5. Once Rochester Gas and Electric Corporation's payment obligations under the ARSSA have been satisfied, the

Company shall file leaves to cancel or modify the surcharge, as set forth in this order.

6. The requirement of Section 66(12)(b) of the Public Service Law that newspaper publication be completed prior to the effective date of the proposed amendments directed in Clauses 1, 3 and 5 above is waived and the Company is directed to file with the Commission, not later than six weeks following the amendments' effective date, proof that a notice to the public of the changes made by the amendments has been published once a week for four successive weeks in newspapers having general circulation in the areas affected by the amendments.

7. In the Secretary's sole discretion, the deadlines set forth in this order may be extended. Any request for an extension must be in writing, must include a justification for the extension, and must be filed at least one day prior to the affected deadline.

8. This proceeding is continued.

By the Commission,

KATHLEEN H. BURGESS
Secretary

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Proceeding to Examine a Proposal for the Continued
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JOINT PROPOSAL

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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Case 14-E-0270: Petition Requesting Initiation of a Proceeding to Examine a Proposal for the Continued Operation of the R.E. Ginna Nuclear Power Plant

Case 14-E-0270

JOINT PROPOSAL

This Joint Proposal, which includes Attachments A and B that are incorporated by reference herein, is made as of the 20th day of October 2015, by and among the following parties in the above-referenced proceeding (collectively, the “Signatory Parties”): Rochester Gas and Electric Corporation (“RG&E”); R.E. Ginna Nuclear Power Plant, LLC (“Ginna”); Staff of the New York State Department of Public Service (“DPS Staff”); the Department of State Utility Intervention Unit (“UIU”); and Multiple Intervenors (“MI”).

1. PROCEDURAL HISTORY

1.1 The Filings

On July 11, 2014, Ginna filed a *Petition for Initiation of Proceeding to Examine a Proposal for the Continued Operation of R.E. Ginna Nuclear Power Plant* (the “Petition”) with the New York State Public Service Commission (the “Commission”) concerning the R.E. Ginna Nuclear Power Plant (the “Ginna Facility”). On November 14, 2014, the Commission issued an order that, among other things, determined that the Ginna Facility was necessary to maintain electric system reliability in the Rochester, New York, area and directed RG&E to negotiate a Reliability Support Services Agreement (“RSSA”) with Ginna by January 15, 2015 (the “Order”)

and to file said agreement with the Commission.¹ This filing date was subsequently extended to February 13, 2015.

On February 13, 2015, Ginna filed an executed RSSA with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (“FERC”) pursuant to Section 205 of the Federal Power Act, designated as Ginna Electric Rate Schedule FERC No. 1. Ginna requested that FERC accept the settlement rate contained in RSSA, to become effective on April 1, 2015.

On February 13, 2015, RG&E filed a copy of the executed RSSA and proposed tariff leaves to implement a surcharge mechanism to recover all costs RG&E incurs under the RSSA with the Commission. RG&E requested that the Commission accept the RSSA and approve full cost recovery by RG&E from its customers of all amounts payable to Ginna under the RSSA utilizing a proposed cost recovery mechanism.

1.2 The Settlement Process

1.2.1 FERC

Pursuant to FERC’s April 14, 2015 Order, issued in Docket No. ER15-1047, the parties unanimously requested the appointment of the Honorable Judge Jennifer Whang as the settlement judge to assist in efforts to resolve the disputed issues. On April 28, 2015, the Chief Administrative Law Judge appointed Judge Whang as settlement judge in the FERC proceedings and scheduled the first settlement conference to be held on May 13, 2015, in Washington D.C.²

The parties, FERC Staff and DPS Staff participated in settlement conferences under the auspices of Judge Wang on the following dates: May 13, 2015; July 15, 2015; and July 27, 2015. Over the course of the settlement conferences and the multiple informal telephonic

¹ Case 14-E-0270 - *Petition for Initiation of Proceeding to Examine a Proposal for the Continued Operation of R.E. Ginna Nuclear Power Plant*, Order Directing Negotiation of a Reliability Support Service Agreement and Making Related Findings (Nov. 14, 2014), at 27.

² *R.E. Ginna Nuclear Power Plant, LLC*, Docket No. ER15-1047, “Order of Chief Judge Designating Settlement Judge and Scheduling Settlement Conference” (April 28, 2015).

conferences that were also held, and continuing after the July 27, 2015 settlement conference, the parties continued to engage in good faith settlement negotiations and ultimately reached agreement.

1.2.2 The Commission

A Notice of Impending Settlement Negotiations was sent to all active parties and other interested persons in this proceeding and duly filed with the Commission on May 5, 2015. A settlement conference was held in person on May 11, 2015.

After thorough discussion of the issues, the Signatory Parties recognize that the parties' various positions could be addressed through settlement and agree that settlement is feasible. The Signatory Parties further believe that this Joint Proposal gives fair and reasonable consideration to the interests of customers and the public in assuring the provision of safe and adequate service at just and reasonable rates.

2 TERMS OF THE JOINT PROPOSAL

Unless otherwise specified herein, capitalized terms here have the same meaning given in the RSSA. The RSSA shall be amended and restated in the form attached hereto as Appendix A. The general substance of the changes is as follows, though in the event of conflict between the subsections of this Article 2 and any provision of Appendix A, Appendix A shall control:

2.1 Term.

2.1.1 The Term of the RSSA shall run from April 1, 2015 through March 31, 2017.³

2.1.2 The RSSA shall be revised such that the RSSA signatories' payment obligations under the RSSA shall be subject to the RSSA signatories obtaining the following: (i) the issuance on or after the Restatement Date by FERC of an order accepting the RSSA under Section 205 of the Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. §824d and the regulations promulgated

³ See RSSA Sections 1.1(iii), 2.2, 2.2(a), 4.1(d), 4.5(c) and Exhibit 1.

thereunder, without modifying or imposing any term or condition in a manner that is adverse in any material respect to an RSSA signatory as determined in the affected RSSA signatory's reasonable discretion ("FERC Authorization"); and (ii) the issuance on or after the Restatement Date by the Commission of an order (A) accepting the RSSA and (B) approving cost recovery by RG&E through the "RSSA surcharge" described in Article 3.2 of this Joint Proposal on the terms and conditions set forth herein, in each case, without modifying or imposing any term or condition in a manner that is adverse in any material respect to an RSSA signatory as determined in the affected RSSA signatory's reasonable discretion (the "Rate Recovery Order"). The date, if any, upon which both of the foregoing conditions precedent set forth in clauses (i) and (ii) above are satisfied or waived by the RSSA signatories shall be referred to as the "Acceptance Date."⁴ If clauses (i) and (ii) above are satisfied or waived on different dates, the later date shall be the Acceptance Date.

2.1.3 Ginna shall have the right to terminate the RSSA without liability upon ten (10) days' prior written notice if the Acceptance Date is not achieved by March 1, 2016, but such a termination notice may not be issued later than April 30, 2016. Within thirty (30) days of receipt of a Rate Recovery Order, RG&E shall have the right to terminate the RSSA without liability upon ten (10) days' prior written notice if RG&E reasonably determines that the Rate Recovery Order does not satisfy the conditions set forth in the RSSA.⁵

2.1.4 The RSSA shall be revised to reflect the Signatory Parties' agreement reflected at Article 3.2.2 below that RG&E will use deferred rate credit amounts (regulatory liabilities) to offset the full amount of the Deferred Collection Amount (including carrying costs), plus credit

⁴ See RSSA Section 2.1(a).

⁵ See RSSA Section 2.1(c).

amounts to offset all RSSA costs that exceed \$2.25 million per month, not to exceed a total use of credits in the amount of \$110 million, applicable through June 30, 2017.⁶

2.2 Early termination; Payments upon the end of the Term.

2.2.1 Section 2.2(c) of the RSSA, which had provided for early termination of the RSSA by RG&E, has been removed.⁷

2.2.2 The RSSA shall be revised to continue the use of a termination payment to be made in the event of default by RG&E, to now be referred to as the “Default Termination Payment” instead of “Settlement Payment.”⁸

2.2.3 There shall be a one-time payment (“Settlement Payment”) made by RG&E to Ginna following the expiration of the RSSA on March 31, 2017, in the amount of \$11,458,030.70.⁹

2.3 Compensation.

2.3.1 Monthly Payments. The Monthly Fixed Amount paid by RG&E to Ginna during each month of the Term of the RSSA shall be \$15,420,000.00.¹⁰

2.3.2 Sharing of Energy and Capacity Market Revenues. RG&E will be entitled to seventy percent (70%) of revenues from Ginna’s sales into the New York Independent System Operator (“NYISO”) energy and capacity markets, while Ginna will be entitled to thirty percent (30%) of such revenues.¹¹

2.3.3 Settlement Cap. Consistent with FERC’s actions in setting Ginna’s full cost of service for hearing for purposes of developing a cap on Ginna’s revenues, Ginna’s Total

⁶ See RSSA Section 4.1(b).

⁷ See also RSSA Section 1.1(iii).

⁸ See RSSA Section 1.1(i).

⁹ See RSSA Sections 1.1(ggg) and 4.4.

¹⁰ See RSSA Section 1.1(hh).

¹¹ See RSSA Sections 1.1(e), 1.1(jjj), 3.2(b), 3.2(c), and 3.2(i).

Revenues (including any Settlement Payment and any Default Termination Payment) will be capped, for settlement purposes, so as not to exceed \$510,000,000.00 in the aggregate (the “Settlement Cap Amount”). If Ginna’s Total Revenues exceed the Settlement Cap Amount, Ginna shall prepare and issue to RG&E an invoice not later than June 20, 2017 for, and Ginna shall make a payment to RG&E on or prior to June 30, 2017 of, an amount equal to the difference between Ginna’s Total Revenues received and the Settlement Cap Amount. Any such amounts will be preserved by RG&E with carrying charges for the benefit of ratepayers. The Settlement Cap Amount will be reduced, dollar-for-dollar, for any Performance Adjustment(s) assessed pursuant to Section 5.3 of the RSSA.¹²

2.3.4 Settlement Floor. Consistent with FERC’s actions in setting Ginna’s going forward costs for hearing for purposes of ensuring that Ginna is adequately compensated, Ginna’s Total Revenues (including any Settlement Payment and any Default Termination Payment) will be subject to a floor, for settlement purposes, so as not to be less than \$425,000,000.00 in the aggregate (the “Settlement Floor Amount”). If Ginna’s Total Revenues are less than the Settlement Floor Amount, Ginna shall prepare and issue to RG&E an invoice not later than June 20, 2017 for, and RG&E shall make an additional payment to Ginna on or prior to June 30, 2017 of, an amount equal to the difference between Ginna’s Total Revenues received and the Settlement Floor Amount. Should ratepayer credits remain, recovery by RG&E from ratepayers of the difference between Ginna’s Total Revenues and the Settlement Floor Amount will be offset by such credits. To the extent that any such payments are not offset with ratepayer credits, they will be deferred with carrying charges for future recovery by RG&E. The

¹² See RSSA Sections 1.1(jjj) and 4.3(a).

Settlement Floor Amount will be reduced, dollar-for-dollar, for any Performance Adjustment(s) assessed pursuant to Section 5.3.¹³

2.3.5 Total Revenues. For purposes of calculating the Settlement Cap Amount and the Settlement Floor Amount, “Total Revenues” shall mean the sum of all revenues received by Ginna relating to ownership and operation of the Facility, including the Monthly Fixed Payments (without consideration of any adjustment made pursuant to Section 4.1(c)), the Deferred Collection Amount, Ginna’s thirty percent (30%) share of any Energy Revenues, Ginna’s thirty percent (30%) share of any Capacity Revenues, any Settlement Payment, any Default Termination Payment and any of the Applicable Revenues that Ginna has the right to retain under the circumstances described in Section 5.3(b) of the RSSA and in Section 7.1(b) of the RSSA.¹⁴

2.3.6 The RSSA shall be revised to remove references to the Ginna Annual Revenue Cap.¹⁵

2.3.7 The RSSA shall be revised to remove the right of RG&E to challenge the cost of service cap, which provision is no longer necessary given the provision of the Settlement Cap Amount.¹⁶

2.3.8 Cost Recovery. If the Commission or other Governmental Authority implements a rate recovery mechanism that does not allow cost recovery by RG&E through the “RSSA surcharge” as described in Article 3.2 of this Joint Proposal and Article 3.2 of the FERC Settlement Agreement, then if the RSSA is not terminated pursuant to its terms, (i) the Monthly Fixed Amount shall be immediately reduced to the monthly amount that RG&E is authorized to

¹³ See RSSA Sections 1.1(jjj) and 4.3(b).

¹⁴ See RSSA Section 1.1(jjj).

¹⁵ See RSSA Sections 2.1(b), 2.1(c) and deletion of RSSA Section 3.2(k).

¹⁶ See RSSA Section 2.1(b).

recover through the RSSA surcharge on a substantially current basis, plus, the amount of rate credits that RG&E applies to offset the costs under the RSSA pursuant to Article 3.2 of this Joint Proposal; and (ii) additionally, the RSSA signatories shall modify the other economic terms of the RSSA (which may include adjusting Exhibit 1 of the RSSA, as applicable) to allow for payment of the unpaid balance of the Monthly Fixed Amount as such amounts are reasonably anticipated to be recovered by RG&E through such surcharge (which may include payments made to Ginna after the expiration or termination of the Term) or, to the extent this Joint Proposal and the FERC Settlement Agreement have not been terminated with respect to RG&E, in accordance with their respective terms, offset by the rate credit amounts that RG&E applies to the costs under the RSSA pursuant to Article 3.2 of this Joint Proposal.¹⁷

2.4 Capital Recovery Balance.

2.4.1 The Capital Recovery Balance shall be \$20,140,090.97, as that amount may be adjusted pursuant to RSSA Section 4.5(a).¹⁸ The period over which the Capital Recovery Balance is to be recovered by RG&E shall be two (2) years. Payments shall be owed if the RSS Unit delivers energy to the NYISO transmission system or makes available capacity to the NYISO markets after seventy-five (75) days following March 31, 2017.¹⁹

2.4.2 The value of the percentage contained in the formula for the Capital Recovery Balance Reduction shall be 5.44%.²⁰

2.4.3 In the event that Ginna is selected, pursuant to Article 4.1 of this Joint Proposal, to continue to provide reliability service beyond the Term, the Capital Recovery Balance

¹⁷ See RSSA Section 10.3(b).

¹⁸ See RSSA Sections 1.1(g), 4.5(a)..

¹⁹ See RSSA Sections 1.1(g), 4.5(a).

²⁰ See RSSA Section 4.5(c).

calculation and recovery set out in this Article 2.4.1 of the Joint Proposal and in Section 4.5 of the RSSA will be inapplicable.²¹

2.4.4 In such event, a new Capital Recovery Balance shall be calculated utilizing a methodology reasonably similar to that provided for in the current RSSA, reflecting existing and expected capital costs and reasonable amortization. If RG&E and Ginna do not agree to such a new Capital Recovery Balance as part of an executed new agreement, Ginna shall include a new Capital Recovery Balance as part of an unexecuted agreement filing as discussed in Article 4.1 of this Joint Proposal. The period for payment of the new capital recovery balance shall be two (2) years.

2.5 FERC Proceedings. The RSSA has been revised to provide that Ginna shall not seek a reliability must-run agreement (or similar agreement) from FERC with respect to the RSS Unit that would become effective prior to the end of the Term, pursuant to Section 10.16 of the RSSA.

3 STATE SETTLED MATTERS

3.1 Settlement in New York.

3.1.1 The purpose of this Joint Proposal is to resolve all issues among the Signatory Parties in Case No. 14-E-0270.

3.1.2 This Joint Proposal memorializes the resolution of any issues and/or claims regarding the activities of the Signatory Parties related to the RSSA, including any issues and/or claims related to RG&E's prudence in relation to the RSSA, including: RG&E's participation in the evaluation of the need for, or the commercial or other terms of, the RSSA or the execution or implementation of the RSSA; RG&E's evaluation of alternatives to the RSSA; and RG&E's selection of the Ginna Retirement Transmission Alternative ("GRTA") to address the reliability issues related to Ginna's retirement, through the execution date of this Joint Proposal. This Joint

²¹ See RSSA Section 4.5(d).

Proposal also memorializes the resolution of any issues and/or claims related to RG&E's prudence with respect to the planning or pursuit of the GRTA for RG&E actions or omissions occurring prior to the November 14, 2014 issuance by the Commission in this proceeding.

3.1.3 Case No. 14-E-0270 shall not be consolidated with Case No. 15-E-0285:

Proceeding on Motion of the Commission as to the Rates, Charges, Rules and Regulations of Rochester Gas and Electric Corporation for Electric Service as a result of this Joint Proposal or the FERC Settlement Agreement.

3.2 RG&E Cost Recovery and Use of Credits.

3.2.1 The Signatory Parties recommend that the Commission authorize RG&E to implement a rate surcharge (referred to herein as the "rate surcharge" or "RSSA surcharge") effective January 1, 2016 to recover amounts paid to Ginna pursuant to the RSSA as modified in Article 3.2.2 of this Joint Proposal and the other amounts identified in this Joint Proposal as being recovered through the rate surcharge. RG&E's payment obligation to Ginna shall not begin until the rate surcharge is in effect and FERC has issued an order authorizing the FERC Settlement Agreement in the Settlement Docket. A Commission order accepting the RSSA surcharge shall constitute the Rate Recovery Order for purposes of Section 2.1(a)(ii) of the RSSA.

3.2.2 RG&E will use deferred rate credit amounts (regulatory liabilities) to offset the full amount of the Deferred Collection Amount (including carrying costs), plus credit amounts to offset all RSSA costs that exceed \$2.25 million per month, not to exceed a total use of credits in the amount of \$110 million, applicable through June 30, 2017. To the extent that the available credits are insufficient to satisfy the final payment from RG&E to Ginna made pursuant to 2.2.2 or after the term of the RSSA (Article 2.3.4), then the RSSA surcharge may continue past March

31, 2017 to recover up to \$2.25 million per month until the final payment has been recovered by RG&E from ratepayers.²²

3.2.2.1 In recognition of the utilization of RG&E rate credits to offset the RSSA, no Signatory Party will propose or support an amortization of rate credits greater than \$10 million during the first rate year in RG&E's pending rate case (Case 15-E-0285) at the Commission.

3.2.3 The \$2.25 million per month rate surcharge shall continue until the later of the termination of the RSSA or the termination of any solution other than operational protocols required pursuant to Article 4.1 of this Joint Proposal or application of Article 3.2.2.

3.2.4 Upon termination of the rate surcharge pursuant to Article 3.2.3 above and once the GRTA is placed into service, a \$1.88 million per month surcharge (*i.e.*, the estimated GRTA first year annual revenue requirement divided by 12) will continue until such time as the GRTA revenue requirement is included in RG&E's electric delivery rates. The rate surcharge will be reconciled monthly.

3.2.4.1 If the GRTA revenue requirement is collected through the RSSA surcharge, RG&E's GRTA capital investment will be subject to a GRTA revenue requirement downward reconciliation.

3.2.4.2 If the GRTA revenue requirement is included in RG&E's electric delivery rates, then the RSSA surcharge will be utilized for reconciliation of any over / under collected amounts of RSSA costs or downward reconciliation of GRTA investment costs or amounts associated with collection of the GRTA revenue requirement prior

²² To the extent amounts owed to Ginna pursuant to this Article 3.2.2 and Article 2.2.2 are disproportionately high relative to the surcharge amount, RG&E reserves the right to seek an increase in the surcharge at the Commission.

to being included in RG&E electric delivery rates and will cease once such return / collection is completed.

3.2.4.3 Any costs recovered through a surcharge pursuant to Articles 3.2.3 and 3.2.4 of this Joint Proposal are subject to audit and refund.

3.2.4.4 Costs recovered through a surcharge pursuant to Articles 3.2.3 and 3.2.4 of this Joint Proposal will be allocated to the classes using the transmission allocator in the most recently concluded RG&E electric rate case, and shall be collected on a per kWh basis from non-demand meter customers and on a per kW basis from demand-metered customers.

3.2.5 Equity infusions shall not be required to be made into RG&E during the Term.

To the extent RG&E's equity ratios fall below its minimum equity level as established by Case 12-M-0066, RG&E will not make dividend payments until its equity ratio is sufficiently above its minimum equity requirement such that the amount of any dividend payment will not cause the equity ratios to fall below the minimum equity level.

4 STUDY, SOLICITATION AND REPORTING

4.1 Reliability Study and GRTA Planning Status (Under Construction and In-Service).

4.1.1 RG&E shall complete and publish, in coordination with the NYISO, a reliability study in accordance with standards set forth by NERC, NPCC, NYSRC and the NYISO, as well as any RG&E standards for local reliability planning criteria, and with oversight of DPS Staff. Upon execution of a term sheet, or other evidence of approval, by the Signatory Parties to this Joint Proposal, RG&E shall request NYISO's coordination to conduct the reliability study using commercially reasonable efforts, targeting completion in time to release the solicitation contemplated by Article 4.1.2. If the engineering work to define the major components of the GRTA is not completed by the time to release the solicitation contemplated by Article 4.1.2,

RG&E shall issue an update to the reliability study within 15 days of completion of the GRTA engineering work. That update shall incorporate any changes to the scope of the GRTA resulting from the GRTA engineering work and any associated work and any associated modifications to the results of the reliability study. If additional equipment or components to the GRTA are identified, RG&E shall add such equipment and/or components to the list set forth in Article 4.1.1.3 below, and for such new equipment and/or components, the updated reliability study shall provide the information required by Article 4.1.1.3. RG&E will include up to \$75,000 in incremental costs of the study in the RSSA surcharge. Such study will:

4.1.1.1 Confirm that GRTA, when fully implemented, will resolve any reliability needs associated with the retirement of Ginna or, to the extent such reliability needs are not fully resolved, identify and quantify the extent and timing of such unresolved needs;

4.1.1.2 Update RG&E's peak load forecasts for use in the reliability study;

4.1.1.3 Evaluate the degree of MW need that would still exist following the sequential implementation of each of the following GRTA components according to the sequence of the electrical capital delivery schedule for the following GRTA components:

4.1.1.3.1 Station 122 upgrades including three transformer replacements;

4.1.1.3.2 Station 80 upgrades to mitigate the stuck breaker contingency;

4.1.1.3.3 Upgrading 34.5 kV circuit 718;

4.1.1.3.4 Upgrading 34.5 kV circuit 735;

4.1.1.3.5 Upgrading 34.5 kV circuit 770; and

4.1.1.3.6 Upgrading 11.5 kV circuit 623.

The MW need description should include the hours of exposure and at what load level the need is triggered.

4.1.1.4 For the MW needs identified by project component in Article 4.1.1.3 of this Joint Proposal, and for the period following March 31, 2017, identify reasonable operational protocols or other measures that may be taken to mitigate the reliability need should those project components not be in place in reverse order of the sequence identified in Article 4.1.1.3; and

4.1.1.5 Establish the basis for the solicitation and evaluation of alternatives described in Article 4.1.2 below.

4.1.2 RG&E shall release a solicitation, no later than October 30, 2015, seeking solutions to meet any needs identified by the study described in Article 4.1.1 for the period after March 31, 2017. In structuring such solicitation RG&E shall either: (1) in its solicitation, specify a reasonable date by which all bidders of alternative solutions other than Ginna will be notified of whether its alternative will be selected; or (2) request all bidders other than Ginna to provide the latest date by which RG&E must notify such bidder to be available to provide service under its proposed solution. Proposed solutions shall be submitted in response to RG&E's solicitation no later than 60 days following the issuance of the solicitation. RG&E must evaluate such proposed solutions and publish a report describing such evaluation no later than 120 days following the issuance of the solicitation. Evaluation of such proposed solutions shall include, at a minimum, the potential for reasonable operational protocols, demand response resources, generation resources or other solutions, when combined with the GRTA (installed in part or in whole), to resolve the identified reliability need. RG&E will include up to \$75,000 in incremental costs of the solicitation and evaluation in the RSSA surcharge.

4.1.3 Ginna shall participate in any such solicitation through an offer of rates, terms and conditions that it deems appropriate, in its sole discretion.

4.1.3.1 Unless Ginna is selected through the RG&E solicitation by March 31, 2016, or by June 30, 2016 in the event that RG&E exercises the extension option, as described below in Article 4.1.3.6 (the “Ginna Decision Extension Option”), then Ginna shall not be required to obtain further authorization from the Commission in order to retire within 75 days of March 31, 2017. If Ginna is selected through the solicitation and the process below to continue providing reliability service beyond the Term, Ginna shall not be required to obtain further authorization from the Commission in order to retire within 75 days of the termination date of the agreement (whether negotiated or unexecuted) pursuant to which Ginna will continue providing such subsequent service.

4.1.3.2 If requested by RG&E, RG&E and Ginna shall engage in good faith negotiation with respect to any rates, terms and conditions of Ginna’s response to the solicitation. RG&E is also free to negotiate with other entities that respond to the solicitation.

4.1.3.3 If Ginna is selected by RG&E, and RG&E and Ginna achieve a negotiated agreement on the rates, terms and conditions of further reliability service, Ginna shall file with FERC an executed new RSSA.

4.1.3.4 In the event that RG&E and Ginna have not achieved mutual agreement on rates, terms and conditions by March 31, 2016 (or by June 30, 2016, in the event that RG&E exercises the Ginna Decision Extension Option), RG&E shall be entitled to unilaterally determine that Ginna will continue to provide reliability service

beyond March 31, 2017, provided that for such determination to be effective, notice of such determination must be provided to Ginna in writing by March 31, 2016 (or June 30, 2016, if the Ginna Decision Extension Option is exercised). In the event that RG&E makes such a unilateral selection, Ginna shall file with FERC an unexecuted agreement for the reliability service need identified by RG&E, identifying which rates, terms and conditions have been agreed to, and which require adjudication by FERC. In such circumstances, Ginna's provision of reliability service under the unexecuted agreement will be involuntary. Also in such circumstances, no Signatory Party will contest the need for the reliability service or the need for an unexecuted agreement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, nothing in this Joint Proposal shall preclude the Signatory Parties from contesting the rates, terms and conditions of a filed and unexecuted agreement, including the term (*i.e.*, duration) of the unexecuted agreement, and whether Ginna is losing money.

4.1.3.5 For the avoidance of doubt, the Signatory Parties shall request FERC, in ruling on the FERC Settlement Agreement, to confirm that any further selection of Ginna and subsequent rate filing at FERC through the process described herein shall be instead of, and shall not be subject to, the NYISO tariff RMR process now under development in FERC Docket No. EL15-37, or any successor thereto, and shall also be in place of any NYISO process that would otherwise require NYISO review or approval of Ginna retirement. This request to FERC does not include any request to relieve Ginna of its obligation to comply with any bidding or mitigation requirements that apply to NYISO's energy and capacity markets.

4.1.3.6 There shall be no time limit on selection by RG&E of a non-Ginna alternative solution, except as provided in 4.1.2. With respect to Ginna, RG&E shall have the right, pursuant to the Ginna Decision Extension Option, to extend to June 30, 2016, the option to select Ginna as an alternative solution, provided that such right to extend the decision date to June 30, 2016, must be exercised, if at all, by March 31, 2016. If Ginna is not selected to continue to provide reliability service beyond March 31, 2017, after RG&E's exercise of its right to extend the decision date until June 30, 2016, then RG&E shall pay Ginna a fee for reasonable costs incurred. In calculating such costs, Ginna shall use its reasonable judgment, which may include reasonable estimates of costs that are not easily quantified, subject to a mutually agreeable dispute resolution process if RG&E and Ginna cannot agree on such costs or the estimates thereof, as applicable. Further, Ginna and RG&E shall make an informational filing with FERC and the Commission setting forth the basis for the fee. Such informational filing shall be served upon all parties to this proceeding, but shall not be subject to notice, comment, or review by FERC under FPA Section 205 or the Commission. However, no Party waives any right to file a complaint pursuant to FPA Section 206 on the basis of the information in the filing. In the event Ginna is not selected as the alternative solution, and Ginna continues to operate beyond March 31, 2017, Ginna will forfeit the fee noted above in this Article 4.1.3.6.

4.1.3.7 If Ginna is not selected by RG&E for continued reliability service and does not plan on retiring at the expiration of the RSSA, it shall file a notice that it will continue commercial operations with the Commission by September 30, 2016.

4.1.4 Consistent with good utility practice, RG&E will use commercially reasonable efforts to construct and place the GRTA in-service as soon as practicable.

4.1.5 No later than 15 days following regulatory approval of both the FERC Settlement Agreement and this Joint Proposal, RG&E will provide GRTA project reporting as set forth in Article 4.1.6 below; provided, however, to the extent any reporting requirements set forth in Article 4.1.6 are also required by Article 4.1 above, any earlier deadlines set forth in that Article 4.1 shall govern.

4.1.6 Reporting Requirements. RG&E agrees to provide the following reports related to the GRTA:

4.1.6.1 Executive Management: Identification of Project Director/Lead, identification of executive oversight of Project Director. Any changes to identified personnel shall be included in the Monthly Report to the Commission.

4.1.6.2 Initial Report to the Commission: Report reflects GRTA budget and monthly timeline (reflecting key milestones).

4.1.6.3 Monthly Report to the Commission: RG&E will produce a GRTA Monthly Report to be filed with the Commission that will include:

4.1.6.3.1 Identification of the assumptions made by RG&E in the GRTA Monthly Report;

4.1.6.3.2 Summary analysis of status of major milestone schedule (*i.e.*, key project developments);

4.1.6.3.3 Construction contract structure and timing;

4.1.6.3.3.1 Identify major contracts (greater than \$1M);

4.1.6.3.3.2 Timing of major contracts;

4.1.6.3.4 Detailed update on construction progress and milestones by project task/segment;

4.1.6.3.4.1 Updates to the schedule;

4.1.6.3.4.2 Updates of construction duration;

4.1.6.3.5 Scope and Project Refinements;

4.1.6.3.5.1 Updates of any changes in the scope of project or scope of costs;

4.1.6.3.5.2 Identification of instances when changes to prior project plans are necessary for specific field situations;

4.1.6.3.6 Regulatory / permitting update;

4.1.6.3.6.1 New York State Department of Environmental Conservation;

4.1.6.3.6.2 The Commission;

4.1.6.3.6.3 U.S. Army Corps of Engineers;

4.1.6.3.6.4 Local;

4.1.6.3.7 Update to projected in-service date and confidence level of projected dates;

4.1.6.3.8 Description of Roles and Responsibilities Related to GRTA;

4.1.6.3.8.1 Identify principal project manager and executive-level personnel with GRTA oversight;

4.1.6.3.8.2 Provide a list of construction managers, identified by project task/segment, title, and contact information;

4.1.6.3.8.3 Include updates to reflect staff additions/changes;

4.1.6.3.9 Report will include a statement by responsible officer that the report is true and accurate based on information and belief.

4.1.6.4 Monthly Meeting: One week after distribution of the Monthly Report, RG&E will hold a standing monthly meeting by teleconference to offer opportunity for informal Questions & Answers related to the Monthly Reports.

4.1.6.4.1 RG&E will arrange for conference call capabilities for the monthly meeting.

4.1.6.5 Access/Communication: RG&E will issue periodic updates for the GRTA to the public through news release or on the RG&E public website.

5 EFFECTIVE DATE OF RSSA REVISIONS

The RSSA revisions described in Article II of this Joint Proposal and set forth in Appendix A herein shall have an effective date of April 1, 2015.

6 STANDARD OF REVIEW

To the extent FERC considers any changes to the provisions of the FERC Settlement Agreement during its term, as defined in Article 2.1, the standard of review for such changes shall be the most stringent standard permissible under applicable law. For the avoidance of doubt, the standard of review for any modifications to the FERC Settlement Agreement, other than amendments agreed to by all parties to the FERC Settlement Agreement, whether proposed by a party, any third party, or FERC acting *sua sponte*, shall be solely the most strict standard set forth in *United Gas Pipe Line Co. v. Mobile Gas Serv. Corp.*, 350 U.S. 332 (1956); *Federal Power Commission v. Sierra Pacific Power Co.*, 350 U.S. 348 (1956), as clarified in *Morgan Stanley Capital Group, Inc. v. Public Util. Dist. No.*

I of Snohomish County, Washington, 554 U.S. 527 (2008) and refined in *NRG Power Mktg. v. Maine Pub. Utils. Comm'n*, 130 S. Ct. 693, 700 (2010).

7 GENERAL SETTLEMENT PROVISIONS

7.1 Approval by the Commission and Effective Date. The Signatory Parties shall actively seek, and shall cooperate in securing, Commission approval of this Joint Proposal. This Joint Proposal shall be binding upon each of the Signatory Parties on: (i) the date of issuance of a Commission order approving or accepting this Joint Proposal without any material modification or condition; or (ii) such other date established by the Commission upon acting on this Joint Proposal (the “Effective Date”); provided however, that the Signatory Parties agree that the Joint Proposal will bind each of them upon signing, subject to the Commission’s approval or acceptance of the Joint Proposal without material modification of condition, or, in the event of a material condition or modification, no Signatory Party shall have exercised timely its right under Article 7.6 to terminate the Joint Proposal.

7.2 Negotiated Settlement. This Joint Proposal represents a negotiated compromise of the various matters agreed to herein, for the sole purpose of the resolution of the matters agreed to herein. The Signatory Parties agree that the Joint Proposal raises no disputed issues of material fact, is supported by all Signatory Parties, and should be approved as just and reasonable, and in the public interest.

7.3 Entire Agreement. This Joint Proposal, including any attachments, constitutes the entire agreement among the Signatory Parties with regard to the matters addressed in this proceeding, and no other agreement with regard to these matters shall be binding on the Signatory Parties except by written amendment to this Joint Proposal. The terms of this Joint Proposal are being submitted as an integrated whole, and it is understood that each provision of

this Joint Proposal is in consideration and support of all the other provisions, and expressly conditioned upon acceptance by the Commission. Except for the terms and conditions enumerated in this Joint Proposal and any attachment hereto, and in the FERC Settlement Agreement, the Signatory Parties acknowledge and agree that they have not made any other promises, warranties, or representations to each other or any other party regarding any aspect of the settlement of the matters addressed in this Joint Proposal. Each Signatory Party acknowledges that it has read this Joint Proposal and has executed it without relying upon any other promise, warranty, or representation, written or otherwise, of any other Signatory Party. Each Signatory Party acknowledges that no other Signatory Party has made to it any promise, warranty, or representation, express or implied, to induce the Signatory Parties to execute this Joint Proposal.

7.4 No Principles Established. This Joint Proposal and the Signatory Parties' performance of their obligations hereunder are the result of settlement and compromise of all claims and actions expressly addressed in this Joint Proposal, and neither this Joint Proposal nor the Signatory Parties' performance hereunder shall be deemed to be an admission of any fact or of any liability. This Joint Proposal shall be binding on the Signatory Parties only with respect to the subject matter of this Joint Proposal. No Signatory Party shall be prejudiced or bound hereby in any proceeding except as specifically provided herein and no Signatory Party shall be deemed to have approved, accepted, agreed, or consented to any concept, theory, or principle underlying or supposed to underlie any of the matters provided for herein. No Signatory Party is waiving its litigation rights and positions in the event the Joint Proposal does not become effective or is terminated. The approval and/or acceptance of this Joint Proposal by the Commission shall not in any respect constitute a determination by the Commission as to the merits of any allegation or

contention made in this proceeding and shall not be construed as admission of liability by any Signatory Party. This Joint Proposal is not precedential with respect to any future proceedings, and its terms may not be referred to in any future proceeding before the Commission or any other court or forum for the purpose of supporting or opposing any specific approach to any issue included in the Joint Proposal, except to the extent set forth in Article IV. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any party may enforce its rights and obligations under this Joint Proposal in any future rate case or other proceeding, and this Joint Proposal may be referred to and introduced for that purpose.

7.5 Settlement Privilege. The FERC Settlement Agreement and this Joint Proposal are submitted pursuant to Rule 602 of FERC's Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 C.F.R. § 385.602 and 16 N.Y.C.R.R. § 3.9(d) and Opinion No. 92-2 adopted in Case 90-M-0255, et al.,²³ respectively. Unless it becomes effective in accordance with Article V hereof, the FERC Settlement Agreement and the Joint Proposal shall be privileged and shall not be admissible in evidence in any proceeding for use against any party or participant. The interactions that have produced the FERC Settlement Agreement and the Joint Proposal have been conducted on the explicit understanding that all settlement communications, documents and discussions, without exception, have been and shall remain privileged and confidential, and without prejudice to the position of any party or participant making such communications or participating in any such interactions, and shall not to be used in any manner in connection with the proceeding or any other proceeding.

7.6 Non-Severability. It is specifically understood and agreed that this Joint Proposal is an integrated settlement and that the various parts hereof are not severable from each other, or

²³ Case 90-M-055, et al. – Proceeding on Motion of the Commission Concerning Its Procedures for Settlement and Stipulation Agreements, filed in C 11175, Opinion No. 92-2, Opinion and Order and Resolution Adopting Settlement Procedures and Guidelines, p. 16 (March 24, 1992).

from the parallel provisions of the FERC Settlement Agreement, without upsetting the balance of consideration and compromises achieved among the Signatory Parties.

7.6.1 If FERC approves or accepts the FERC Settlement Agreement, but with any material condition or modification, or if any such material condition or modification is imposed on rehearing, appeal, or remand, then any Party to the FERC Settlement Agreement adversely affected by such material condition or modification shall have the right to terminate the FERC Settlement Agreement by notifying FERC and all Parties to the FERC Settlement Agreement and other participants of such termination within thirty (30) days following the date of the FERC or court order containing such material condition or modification. If FERC approves or accepts the FERC Settlement Agreement subject to material condition or modification that is unacceptable to any Party to the FERC Settlement Agreement, such Party may seek rehearing and may, by written notice filed with FERC and served on all parties no later than thirty (30) days after the issuance of a FERC order on rehearing that retains in effect the offending material condition or modification, declare the FERC Settlement Agreement terminated. In the event the FERC Settlement Agreement is terminated pursuant to this Article 7.6.1, it shall not be admissible in evidence and shall have no effect in this or any other proceeding.

7.6.2 If the Commission approves or accepts the Joint Proposal, but with any material condition or modification, or if any such material condition or modification is imposed on rehearing, appeal, or remand, then any Signatory Party adversely affected by such material condition or modification shall have the right to terminate the Settlement Agreement by notifying the Commission and all Signatory Parties and other participants of such termination within thirty (30) days following the date of the Commission or court order containing such material condition or modification. If the Commission approves or accepts the Joint Proposal

subject to material condition or modification that is unacceptable to any Signatory Party, such Signatory Party may seek rehearing and may, by written notice filed with the Commission and served on all parties no later than thirty (30) days after the issuance of a Commission order on rehearing that retains in effect the offending material condition or modification, declare the Joint Proposal terminated. In the event the Joint Proposal is terminated pursuant to this Article 7.6.2, it shall not be admissible in evidence and shall have no effect in this or any other proceeding.

7.6.3 Prior to any Signatory Party invoking its right to terminate the Joint Proposal or the FERC Settlement Agreement pursuant to Article 7.6, the Signatory Parties shall confer, no later than seven (7) days after the issuance of a Commission, FERC or court order imposing any material condition or modification with respect to the Joint Proposal or FERC Settlement Agreement, to determine whether, notwithstanding such material condition or modification, the Joint Proposal, as so conditioned or modified, is acceptable to such adversely affected Signatory Party, in its sole discretion.

7.7 Scope and Reservation of Rights. The provisions of this Joint Proposal are intended to relate only to the specific matters referred to herein and, by agreeing to this Joint Proposal, no Signatory Party waives any claim or right which it may otherwise have with respect to any matters not expressly provided for herein.

7.8 Integrated Agreement. This Joint Proposal supersedes all previous representations, understandings, negotiations, and agreements, either written or oral, between or among the Signatory Parties or their representatives with respect to the subject matter hereof, and constitutes the entire agreement of the Signatory Parties with respect to the subject matter hereof. No amendment to this Joint Proposal shall be binding unless such amendment is in writing and is signed by all of the Signatory Parties and accepted or approved by the Commission.

7.9 Further Assurances. Following execution of this Joint Proposal, the Signatory Parties shall prepare and execute any further pleadings, documents, or filings reasonably necessary to effectuate the Signatory Parties' intent under this Joint Proposal and shall otherwise cooperate to ensure prompt acceptance or approval of the Joint Proposal.

7.10 Headings. The descriptive headings of this Joint Proposal are inserted for convenience only and do not constitute a part of the Joint Proposal. Unless otherwise indicated, any article, paragraph, attachment, or other section references made in this Joint Proposal refer to an article, paragraph, attachment, or other section of this Joint Proposal.

7.11 No Construction Against Drafter. The language used in this Joint Proposal is the product of all Signatory Parties' joint efforts. Accordingly, each Party irrevocably waives the benefit of any rule of contract construction that disfavors the drafter of an agreement or the drafter of specific language in an agreement.

7.12 No Partnership. This Joint Proposal does not create or establish, and shall not be construed to create or establish, any partnership or joint venture between the Signatory Parties.

7.13 Limitation on Damages. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, no Signatory Party shall be liable for incidental, punitive, exemplary, consequential, special or indirect damages of any nature (including damages associated with lost profits, business interruption and loss of goodwill) arising at any time, whether in tort, warranty, strict liability, by contract or statute, or otherwise.

7.14 Successor and Assigns. This Settlement Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the Parties and their respective successors and assigns.

7.15 Authorizations. Each person executing this Joint Proposal represents and warrants that he or she is duly authorized and empowered to act on behalf of, and to sign for, the Signatory Party for whom he or she has signed.

7.16 Waiver and Amendment. No provision of this Joint Proposal may be waived except through a writing signed by an authorized representative of the waiving Signatory Party. Waiver of any one provision of this Joint Proposal shall not be deemed to waive any other provision. This Joint Proposal may be amended only by written agreement of the Signatory Parties.

7.17 Assignment. None of the Signatory Parties shall assign this Joint Proposal or its rights or obligations hereunder without prior written consent of the other Signatory Parties; provided however, that any of the Signatory Parties may, without the consent of the other Signatory Parties and without relieving itself of its liability thereunder, transfer or assign the Joint Proposal to any person or entity succeeding to all or substantially all of the assets of such Signatory Party, in which case the assignee shall agree in writing to be bound by the terms and conditions hereof.

7.18 Counterparts. This Joint Proposal may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed to be an original and all of which together shall be deemed to be one and the same instrument, which shall be binding upon each Signatory Party when it is executed in counterpart, filed with and approved by the Commission; provided, however, that, upon execution and filing and prior to approval by the Commission, each Signatory Party shall be bound to support adoption of this Joint Proposal and, to the extent required by the context, to undertake actions necessary for implementation of the provisions of this Joint Proposal upon its approval by the Commission.

7.19 Governing Law. This Joint Proposal and the FERC Settlement Agreement shall each be interpreted in accordance with the laws of the State of New York, to the extent not governed by federal law.

7.20 FERC eTariff Revisions. In the FERC proceeding, Ginna has requested waiver of Rule 602(c)(2),²⁴ and proposes to make a compliance filing in eTariff format to implement any tariff changes approved by FERC within thirty (30) days of the date that FERC issues an order approving the FERC Settlement Agreement.

7.21 True-up of revenues received under existing filed rate. Within thirty (30) days of Commission approval of this Joint Proposal, Ginna and RG&E will true-up any difference between amounts received by Ginna under the previously accepted RSSA, if any, and the revised RSSA rate under the Joint Proposal.

7.22 Non-Precedential Nature. This Joint Proposal is a product of compromise and negotiation among the Signatory Parties. The terms and conditions of the Joint Proposal apply solely to, and are binding on each Signatory Party only in the context of, the purposes and results of this Joint Proposal. None of the terms and provisions of this Joint Proposal, nor any methodology or principle utilized herein, and none of the positions taken herein by any Signatory Party may be referred to, cited or relied upon by any other Signatory Party in any fashion as binding precedent including in any other proceedings before the Commission, any other regulatory agency, or before any court of law for any purpose except as expressly stated in the Joint Proposal or in furtherance of the purposes and results of the Joint Proposal and except as may be necessary in explaining derivation of specific costs or accounting treatments as relevant

²⁴ 18 C.F.R. § 385.602(c)(2) (2015) (“If an offer of settlement pertains to a tariff or rate filing, the offer must include any proposed change in a form suitable for inclusion in the filed rate schedules or tariffs, and a number of copies sufficient to satisfy the filing requirements applicable to tariff or rate filings of the type at issue in the proceeding”).

to future ratemaking proceedings. Concessions made by Signatory Parties on various issues included in the Joint Proposal do not preclude those parties from addressing such issues in future proceedings.

7.23 Mutual Cooperation. The Signatory Parties recognize that certain provisions of this Joint Proposal require that actions be taken in the future to effectuate fully this Joint Proposal. Accordingly, the Signatory Parties agree to cooperate with each other in good faith in taking such actions. Each Signatory Party agrees to submit this Joint Proposal to the Commission, to support and request its adoption by the Commission, and not to take a position in this proceeding contrary to the agreements set forth herein or to assist another participant in taking such a contrary position in these proceedings.

7.24 Procedures in the Event of a Disagreement. In the event of any disagreement over the interpretation of this Joint Proposal or the implementation of any of the provisions of this Joint Proposal which cannot be resolved informally among the Signatory Parties such disagreement will be resolved as follows: the parties promptly will confer and in good faith will attempt to resolve such disagreement. If any such disagreement cannot be resolved by the Signatory Parties within fifteen (15) business days from notification to a Signatory Party or a longer period if agreed to by the Signatory Parties, any Signatory Party may petition the Commission for a determination on the disputed matter.

7.25 Trade Secret Protection. Nothing in this Joint Proposal prevents RG&E and/or Ginna from seeking trade secret, confidential commercial information, personal privacy or critical system infrastructure protection under 16 NYCRR Part 6 for all or any part(s) of any document or report filed (or submitted to Staff) in accordance with the terms of this Joint Proposal or to seek confidential treatment of material for any other lawful reason, or prohibits or restricts any

other party from challenging any such request.

7.26 Notices. Unless otherwise specified herein, all notices, demands, requests or communications required or permitted by this Joint Proposal shall be given in writing to a Signatory Party at the address set forth below (or at such other address as a Party, or its agent, shall designate in writing) and shall be delivered by hand, facsimile, electronic mail or overnight courier as follows:

For Ginna:

Attn: Bruce G. Wilson
Ginna Nuclear Power Plant, LLC
10 South Dearborn
Chicago, Illinois 60603

For RG&E:

Attn: Noelle M. Kinsch
Iberdrola USA Management Corporation
99 Washington Avenue, Suite 2018
Albany, New York 12210

For DPS Staff:

Attn: Alan Michaels
Three Empire State Plaza
Albany, New York 12223

For UIU:

Attn: Erin Hogan
99 Washington Avenue, Suite 640
Albany, New York 12231

For MI:

Attn: Michael Mager, Esq.
Couch White LLP
P.O. Box 22222
Albany, New York 12201

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WHEREFORE, this Joint Proposal has been agreed to as of October 20, 2015, by and among the following, each of whom by his or her signature represents that he or she is fully authorized to execute this Joint Proposal and, if executing the Joint Proposal in a representative capacity, that he or she is fully authorized to execute it on behalf of his or her principal(s).

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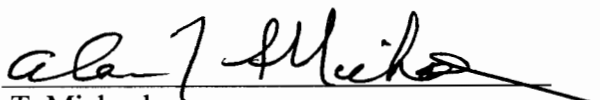
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ATTACHMENT A

AMENDED AND RESTATED
RELIABILITY SUPPORT SERVICES AGREEMENT

effective as of February 13, 2015,

between

R.E. Ginna Nuclear Power Plant, LLC

and

Rochester Gas and Electric Corporation

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**AMENDED AND RESTATED
RELIABILITY SUPPORT SERVICES AGREEMENT**

Pursuant to the rates, terms and conditions of this Amended and Restated Reliability Support Services Agreement (this “Agreement”), made as of October 20, 2015 (the “Restatement Date”), but effective as of February 13, 2015 (the “Effective Date”), R.E. Ginna Nuclear Power Plant, LLC (“Ginna”) shall provide reliability support services to Rochester Gas and Electric Corporation (“RGE,” and together with Ginna, the “Parties”) from the R.E. Ginna Nuclear Power Plant which is interconnected with RGE’s transmission system.

RECITALS

WHEREAS, Ginna owns the R.E. Ginna Nuclear Power Plant, a nuclear generating station located in Ontario, New York, which consists of one (1) pressurized water reactor unit (PTID 23603) with a capacity of 581 MW (the “RSS Unit,” and together with all appurtenant facilities, the “Facility”). Since being placed into service, the RSS Unit has supplied energy, capacity and ancillary services in New York;

WHEREAS, RGE is the transmission owner to which the Facility is interconnected;

WHEREAS, in January 2014, Ginna communicated to the New York State Independent System Operator (“NYISO”) and RGE its intent to potentially retire the RSS Unit due to insufficient revenues projected to be earned by the Facility;

WHEREAS, the NYISO and RGE conducted a reliability study, dated as of May 12, 2014, which determined that retirement of the RSS Unit would result in bulk transmission system and non-bulk local distribution system reliability violations in 2015 and 2018;

WHEREAS, on July 11, 2014, Ginna submitted a petition to the New York State Public Service Commission (“NYPSC”) requesting that the NYPSC direct RGE and Ginna to negotiate and file an agreement by which Ginna would provide Reliability Support Services from the RSS Unit to Ginna;

WHEREAS, on November 14, 2014, the NYPSC directed RGE “to participate in ... negotiations with Ginna” regarding an agreement by which Ginna would provide Reliability Support Services from the RSS Unit to RGE and to file such agreement with the NYPSC;

WHEREAS, to ensure that the RSS Unit remains available to support system reliability in New York until certain transmission upgrades are completed or other reliability remedies are identified and implemented, the Parties entered into the Reliability Support Services Agreement, dated as of February 13, 2015 (as amended and supplemented prior to the Restatement Date, including by Amendment No. 1 to Reliability Support Services Agreement, effective as of May 14, 2015, Amendment No. 2 to Reliability Support Services Agreement, effective as of July 31, 2015, Amendment No. 3 to Reliability Support Services Agreement, effective as of August 17, 2015, Amendment No. 4 to Reliability Support Services Agreement, effective as of August 27, 2015, Amendment No. 5 to Reliability Support Services Agreement, effective as of September 11, 2015, and Amendment No. 6 to Reliability Support Services Agreement, effective as of October 2, 2015 (the “Existing Agreement”));

WHEREAS, on February 13, 2015, and thereafter with respect to subsequent amendments, RGE filed the Existing Agreement with the NYPSC and Ginna filed the Existing Agreement with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (“FERC”);

WHEREAS, the NYPSC established proceedings to address, among other things, RGE’s request for recovery of the costs of the Existing Agreement and FERC established proceedings to address, among other things, the justness and reasonableness of the Existing Agreement;

WHEREAS, to concurrently resolve all issues raised by the NYPSC and FERC proceedings relating to the Existing Agreement, the Parties, the NYPSC, the New York Utility Intervention Unit and Multiple Intervenors entered into (i) the Joint Proposal, dated October 20, 2015 (the “NYPSC Settlement Agreement”) and (ii) the Settlement Agreement and Offer of Settlement, dated October 20, 2015 (the “FERC Settlement Agreement”) pursuant to which, among other things, the Parties agreed to amend and restate the Existing Agreement as set forth herein.

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual agreements and covenants set forth herein, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, and intending to be legally bound by this Agreement, the Parties agree that the Existing Agreement is hereby amended and restated in its entirety as follows:

ARTICLE I DEFINITIONS

1.1 Definitions. Unless otherwise stated in this Agreement, the following terms shall have the following meanings:

- (a) “**Acceptance Date**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.1(a).
- (b) “**Agreement**” shall have the meaning set forth in the Preamble.
- (c) “**Ancillary Service Revenues**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 3.2(d).
- (d) “**Applicable Laws**” shall mean all applicable provisions of all constitutions, treaties, statutes, laws (including the common law), rules, regulations, ordinances, and codes and any order, writ, injunction, decree, judgment, award, decision or determination of any court or any federal, state, municipal or other governmental department, commission, board, bureau, agency, authority or instrumentality.
- (e) “**Applicable Revenues**” shall mean RGE’s seventy percent (70%) share of any Energy Revenues, RGE’s seventy percent (70%) share of any Capacity Revenues and one hundred percent (100%) of any Ancillary Service Revenues, subject to Ginna’s right to retain such Applicable Revenues under the circumstances described in Section 5.3(b) and in Section 7.1(b).
- (f) “**Capacity Revenues**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 3.2(c).

- (g) “**Capital Recovery Balance**” shall mean \$20,140,090.97, as such amount may be adjusted pursuant to the last sentence of Section 4.5(a).
- (h) “**Confidentiality Agreement**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 10.14.
- (i) “**Default Termination Payment**” shall mean the applicable amount set forth in Exhibit 1 for the applicable date of early termination of this Agreement plus any unpaid balance of any Deferred Collection Amount.
- (j) “**Deferred Collection Amount**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 4.1(b).
- (k) “**Effective Date**” shall have the meaning set forth in the Preamble.
- (l) “**Energy Revenues**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 3.2(b).
- (m) “**Environmental Laws**” shall mean any and all federal, state, or local, statutes, laws, judicial decisions, regulations, ordinances, rules, judgments, orders, decrees, plans, injunctions, permits, concessions, grants, franchises, licenses, agreements and other governmental restrictions relating to (i) the protection of the environment, (ii) the effect of the environment on human health, (iii) emissions, discharges or releases of hazardous materials or wastes into surface water, ground water or land, or (iv) the manufacturing, processing, distribution, use, treatment, storage, disposal, transport or handling of hazardous materials or wastes or the cleanup or other remediation thereof.
- (n) “**EPT**” shall mean the prevailing time in the eastern time zone of the United States.
- (o) “**Excess Force Majeure Outage Hour**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 7.1(b).
- (p) “**Existing Agreement**” shall have the meaning set forth in the Recitals.
- (q) “**Facility**” shall have the meaning set forth in the Recitals.
- (r) “**FERC**” shall have the meaning set forth in the Recitals.
- (s) “**FERC Authorization**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.1(a).
- (t) “**FERC Settlement Agreement**” shall have the meaning set forth in the Recitals.
- (u) “**Force Majeure Event**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 7.1(a).
- (v) “**Force Majeure Outage**” shall mean the condition, other than during any period of Planned Outage or Unplanned Outage, in which due to a Force Majeure Event the RSS Unit is unavailable or available at an hourly average capacity level that is less than 400 megawatts.

- (w) **“Force Majeure Performance Adjustment”** shall mean, for a given hour in a month, an amount equal to the pro-rata portion of the Monthly Fixed Payment, equivalent to the ratio of one (1) hour to the total amount of hours in such month.
- (x) **“FPA”** shall mean the Federal Power Act.
- (y) **“GAAP”** shall mean the generally accepted accounting principles in the United States, as in effect from time to time.
- (z) **“Generation Attributes”** means any and all attributes associated with the capability of the RSS Unit or the Facility to produce capacity, energy or ancillary services or the generation of energy by the RSS Unit, including current or future credits, credit privileges, emissions reductions, offsets, allowances and other benefits, rights, powers or privileges, however denominated, including as such may be provided for in any currently existing or subsequently enacted Applicable Laws, attributable to the RSS Unit or the Facility. Examples of Generation Attributes include, but are not limited to: (i) renewable energy credits, offsets or other similar benefits allocated, assigned or otherwise awarded by any Governmental Authority, program administrator or other certification board and (ii) the avoidance of the emission of any gas, chemical or other substance into the air, soil or water, or the reduction, displacement or offset of emissions resulting from fuel combustion at another location pursuant to any federal, state or local legislation or regulation addressing “greenhouse gases” or similar emissions as well as environmental or renewable energy credit trading program or any similar program currently existing or subsequently enacted under Applicable Laws. “Generation Attributes” shall not include energy, capacity and ancillary services produced by the RSS Unit.
- (aa) **“Ginna”** shall have the meaning set forth in the Preamble.
- (bb) **“Ginna UCAP”** shall mean the RSS Unit’s “Unforced Capacity” as determined in accordance with the NYISO Tariffs.
- (cc) **“Good Utility Practice”** shall mean any of the practices, methods or acts engaged in or approved by a significant portion of the electric utility industry during the relevant time period, or any of the practices, methods or acts which, in the exercise of reasonable judgment in light of the facts known at the time the decision was made, could have been expected to accomplish the desired result at a reasonable cost consistent with good business practices, reliability, safety and expedition. Good Utility Practice is not intended to be limited to the optimum practice or method, or act to the exclusion of all others, but rather to delineate acceptable practices, methods, or acts generally accepted in the region. Without limitation of the foregoing, “Good Utility Practices” shall include the applicable operating policies, standards, criteria, practices and/or guidelines of FERC, NERC, NYISO, NYSRC, NPCC, NRC and any other Governmental Authority, including those practices required by FPA Section 215(a)(4).

- (dd) **“Governmental Authority”** shall mean the government of any nation, state or other political subdivision thereof, including any entity lawfully exercising executive, military, legislative, judicial, regulatory, or administrative functions of or pertaining to a government, including FERC, NERC, NYISO, NYSRC, NPCC and NRC.
- (ee) **“Interconnection Agreement”** means the Interconnection Agreement, dated November 24, 2003, as amended, restated or supplemented, between RGE and Ginna (as successor to Constellation Generation Group, LLC by assignment).
- (ff) **“Interest Rate”** shall have the meaning set forth in Exhibit 2.
- (gg) **“Market or Regulatory Change”** shall mean any action by the NYPSC, NYISO, FERC or any successor Governmental Authority that is not subject to a stay and would cause supplemental capacity payments or other additional payments, revenues or credits to be provided with respect to the RSS Unit or the Facility due to (i) the RSS Unit being deemed to run partly or wholly for the benefit of additional constituencies (e.g., the State of New York or the region) and not exclusively for the benefit of RGE’s customers or (ii) the RSS Unit’s status as a nuclear generator or the nature of its energy, capacity, ancillary services or other Generation Attributes having been generated by a nuclear generator.
- (hh) **“Monthly Fixed Amount”** shall mean \$15,420,000.00 for each month during the Term, prorated for any partial month, as such amounts may be adjusted in accordance with Section 4.1.
- (ii) **“NERC”** shall mean the North American Electric Reliability Corporation.
- (jj) **“NPCC”** shall mean the Northeast Power Coordinating Council, Inc.
- (kk) **“NRC”** shall mean the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.
- (ll) **“NYISO”** shall mean the New York Independent System Operator, Inc., or successor organization charged with operating the transmission system and markets in the State of New York.
- (mm) **“NYISO Day-Ahead Energy Market”** shall mean the NYISO-administered day-ahead energy market.
- (nn) **“NYISO ICAP Spot Market Auction”** shall mean the “ICAP Spot Market Auction” as defined in the NYISO Tariffs.
- (oo) **“NYISO Outage Scheduling Manual”** shall mean the “Outage Scheduling Manual” published by the NYISO.
- (pp) **“NYISO Tariffs”** shall mean, collectively, the published tariffs of the NYISO, including the Open Access Transmission Tariff and the Market Administration and Control Area Services Tariff, as such tariffs may be amended by the NYISO.

- (qq) “**NYPSC**” shall have the meaning set forth in the Recitals.
- (rr) “**NYPSC Settlement Agreement**” shall have the meaning set forth in the Recitals.
- (ss) “**NYSRC**” shall mean the New York State Reliability Council, L.L.C.
- (tt) “**Party**” shall mean either Ginna or RGE. “**Parties**” means both Ginna and RGE.
- (uu) “**Planned Outage**” shall mean a planned interruption, in whole or in part, in the electrical output of a generating unit to permit Ginna to perform maintenance and repair of the RSS Unit, pursuant to the process for providers and suppliers of installed capacity set forth in the NYISO Tariffs and NYISO Outage Scheduling Manual.
- (vv) “**Property Taxes**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 4.1(d).
- (ww) “**Quarterly Installment Payment**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 4.5(a).
- (xx) “**Rate Recovery Order**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.1(a).
- (yy) “**Reliability Support Services**” shall mean the services required to be provided by Ginna to RGE pursuant to this Agreement and shall include but not be limited to Ginna (a) keeping the RSS Unit available, capable of being committed and operating for reliability purposes as requested by RGE or the NYISO, (b) offering the RSS Unit’s energy into the NYISO Day-Ahead Energy Market and capacity into NYISO ICAP Spot Market Auctions, and (c) providing reactive power consistent with the capability of the RSS Unit pursuant to the Interconnection Agreement and the procedures specified under voltage support service provisions of the NYISO Tariffs.
- (zz) “**Restatement Date**” shall have the meaning set forth in the Preamble.
- (aaa) “**RGE**” shall have the meaning set forth in the Preamble.
- (bbb) “**RSS Unit**” shall have the meaning set forth in the Recitals.
- (ccc) “**Scheduling, System Control and Dispatch Charge**” shall mean the charges attributable to the RSS Unit for scheduling, system control and dispatch service calculated in accordance with Schedule 1 of the NYISO Open Access Transmission Tariff and Schedule 1 of the NYISO Market Administration and Control Area Services Tariff.
- (ddd) “**Settlement Agreements**” shall mean the NYPSC Settlement Agreement and the FERC Settlement Agreement.
- (eee) “**Settlement Cap Amount**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 4.3(a).

- (fff) “**Settlement Floor Amount**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 4.3(b).
- (ggg) “**Settlement Payment**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 4.4.
- (hhh) “**Staff**” shall mean the staff of the New York State Department of Public Service.
- (iii) “**Term**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.2(a).
- (jjj) “**Total Revenues**” shall mean the sum of all revenues received by Ginna relating to ownership and operation of the Facility, including the Monthly Fixed Payments (without consideration of any adjustment made pursuant to Section 4.1(c)), the Deferred Collection Amount, Ginna’s thirty percent (30%) share of any Energy Revenues, Ginna’s thirty percent (30%) share of any Capacity Revenues, any Settlement Payment, any Default Termination Payment, and any of the Applicable Revenues that Ginna has the right to retain under the circumstances described in Section 5.3(b) and in Section 7.1(b).
- (kkk) “**Unplanned Outage**” shall mean the condition, other than during any period of Planned Outage or Force Majeure Outage, in which due to unanticipated failure the RSS Unit is unavailable or available at an hourly average capacity level that is less than 400 megawatts.
- (lll) “**Unplanned Outage Performance Adjustment**” shall mean, for a given hour in a month, an amount equal to the pro-rata portion of the Monthly Fixed Payment, equivalent to the ratio of one (1) hour to the total amount of hours in such month.

ARTICLE II
CONDITIONS TO PAYMENT OBLIGATIONS; TERM; SURVIVAL OF
OBLIGATIONS

2.1 Conditions to Payment Obligations

- (a) The Parties’ obligations with respect to payment of the Monthly Fixed Amount (including the obligation to net Applicable Revenues, any Unplanned Outage Performance Adjustments, any Force Majeure Event Performance Adjustments and any other amounts payable by Ginna under this Agreement) shall be subject to the Parties obtaining the following:
 - (i) the issuance on or after the Restatement Date by FERC of an order accepting this Agreement under Section 205 of the Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. §824d and the regulations promulgated thereunder, without modifying or imposing any term or condition in a manner that is adverse in any material respect to a Party as determined in the affected Party’s reasonable discretion (“FERC Authorization”); and
 - (ii) the issuance on or after the Restatement Date by the NYPSC of an order (A) accepting this Agreement and (B) approving cost recovery by RGE through the “RSSA surcharge” described in Article 3.2 of the NYPSC

Settlement Agreement and Article 3.2 of the FERC Settlement Agreement on the terms and conditions set forth therein, in each case, without modifying or imposing any term or condition in a manner that is adverse in any material respect to a Party as determined in the affected Party's reasonable discretion (the "Rate Recovery Order").

The date, if any, upon which both of the foregoing conditions precedent set forth in clauses (i) and (ii) above are satisfied or waived by the Parties shall be referred to herein as the "Acceptance Date." If clauses (i) and (ii) above are satisfied or waived on different dates, the later date shall be the Acceptance Date.

- (b) Each of the Parties shall use commercially reasonable efforts to take, or cause to be taken, all actions, and to do, or cause to be done, all things necessary, proper or advisable under Applicable Laws to cause the FERC Authorization and the Rate Recovery Order to be obtained as expeditiously as possible. Each of the Parties shall cooperate with each other, and execute and deliver such additional documents, as may be reasonably required in order to achieve the Acceptance Date in accordance with Section 2.1(a) as expeditiously as possible.
- (c) Ginna shall have the right to terminate this Agreement without liability upon ten (10) days' prior written notice if the Acceptance Date is not achieved by March 1, 2016, but such a termination notice may not be issued later than April 30, 2016. Without limiting the immediately foregoing sentence, during the process to obtain the FERC Authorization or the Rate Recovery Order, if a Governmental Authority modifies or imposes any term or condition that is adverse in any material respect to a Party, as determined in the affected Party's reasonable discretion, then such adversely affected Party shall have the right to terminate this Agreement without liability upon ten (10) days' prior written notice, but such a termination notice may not be issued later than thirty (30) days after the date of such modification or imposition by a Governmental Authority. Without limiting the foregoing sentences of this Section 2.1(c), either RGE or Ginna shall each have the right to terminate this Agreement without liability upon ten (10) days' prior written notice if either Party reasonably determines that the Rate Recovery Order does not approve cost recovery by RGE through the "RSSA surcharge" described in Article 3.2 of the NYPSA Settlement Agreement and Article 3.2 of the FERC Settlement Agreement on the terms and conditions set forth therein, but such a termination notice may not be issued later than thirty (30) days after the date of the issuance by the NYPSA of the Rate Recovery Order; provided, that a Party's failure to exercise such termination right within such thirty (30) day period shall be deemed to constitute that Party's acknowledgement that the Rate Recovery Order satisfies the condition precedent set forth in Section 2.1(a)(ii) with respect to that Party.
- (d) The Parties expressly acknowledge, except for the payment obligations described in Section 2.1(a), the other rights and obligations of the Parties under this Agreement, including Ginna's obligation to provide the Reliability Support Obligations during the Term, are not contingent upon satisfaction of the

conditions precedent set forth in Section 2.1(a). In consideration for RGE executing this Agreement prior to the Acceptance Date, Ginna expressly agrees to accept the risk that, unless and until this Agreement is terminated in accordance with Section 2.1(c) or otherwise, Ginna may perform the Reliability Support Obligations in accordance with this Agreement without any compensation, or with reduced compensation, if the FERC Authorization or Rate Recovery Order are not received in accordance with Section 2.1(a). Ginna hereby waives to the fullest extent possible any rights under this Agreement and at law and in equity (including under any theory of unjust enrichment, restitution, quantum meruit or similar legal theory or any claim under the Federal Power Act, the New York Public Service Law or the rules and regulations of the NYPSC) to recover the Monthly Fixed Amount from RGE with respect to the Term in the event that this Agreement is terminated without achievement of the Acceptance Date. This Section 2.1(d) shall survive any termination of this Agreement.

2.2 Term

- (a) Reliability Support Services shall be provided commencing at the start of the hour ending 0100 EPT on April 1, 2015 and remain in effect through the hour ending 2400 EPT on March 31, 2017, unless the Agreement is otherwise terminated pursuant to Section 2.1(c) or Section 9.1 (the “Term”).
- (b) This Agreement shall be effective as of the Effective Date and no provision of this Agreement shall terminate earlier than the expiration of the Term, except as otherwise provided in Section 2.1(c) or pursuant to the provisions relating to Termination for Default (Section 9.1).

2.3 Survival of Obligations

Notwithstanding the termination of this Agreement, the Parties shall continue to be bound by the provisions of this Agreement that by their nature are intended to, and shall, survive such termination.

ARTICLE III OBLIGATIONS AND OPERATIONS

3.1 Scheduling and Bidding

- (a) Ginna shall cause the RSS Unit and the Facility to be fueled, operated and maintained in accordance with Good Utility Practice and the NYISO Tariffs and with due regard for the reliability purpose of this Agreement.
- (b) Ginna shall interface and comply with NYISO scheduling deadlines and requirements for maintaining the Facility and the RSS Unit as eligible energy, capacity and ancillary services providers, as well as comply with the NYISO’s dispatch instructions and the Interconnection Agreement. The Parties acknowledge that the Reliability Support Services shall not include the purchase by RGE of any physical energy-related products or services (energy, capacity or

ancillary services); provided that Ginna shall be obligated to provide such energy products and services to the NYISO as described in this Agreement, with the Applicable Revenues derived therefrom to be applied as a credit against RGE's obligation for the Monthly Fixed Amount in accordance with Section 3.2.

- (c) The Parties acknowledge that as a consequence of the provision of the Reliability Support Services under this Agreement, Ginna will need to run the RSS Unit for testing and diagnostic purposes, including for demonstrating the RSS Unit's Dependable Maximum Net Capability (as defined in the NYISO Tariffs) and relative accuracy test audit testing, reactive capability testing, environmental compliance testing, or as otherwise required by plant management for health, safety, environmental or operational reasons. As permitted under the NYISO Tariffs and as warranted by system conditions, the Parties shall coordinate the scheduling of the RSS Unit for these purposes so that RGE will either designate the related RSS Unit as the Day-Ahead Reliability Unit (as defined in the NYISO Tariffs) or commit that RSS Unit pursuant to the Supplemental Resource Evaluation (as defined in the NYISO Tariffs). Such designation shall be coordinated between the Parties so that the most appropriate designation is selected. Ginna shall use reasonable best efforts to perform these tests during periods already scheduled by RGE or the NYISO. Ginna shall coordinate with RGE to schedule any testing required to meet operational requirements. In the event that such testing cannot be accomplished during a period of time the RSS Unit is in operation, Ginna shall provide RGE with at least fourteen (14) days advance written notice requesting written authorization from RGE for Ginna to self-commit the RSS Unit. Authorization by RGE shall not be unreasonably withheld.

3.2 Energy, Capacity and Ancillary Services

- (a) Ginna shall at all times bid the RSS Unit in compliance with NYISO market rules.
- (b) Ginna shall offer the full amount of the RSS Unit's expected hourly output into the NYISO Day-Ahead Energy Market consistent with past practice, subject to compliance with NYISO market rules. Ginna shall comply with any dispatch instruction issued by the NYISO under established NYISO protocols or by RGE under the Interconnection Agreement, to the extent such dispatch instructions are consistent with the operating parameters of the RSS Unit and are in accordance with the NYISO Tariffs. All monthly energy revenues, net of the Scheduling, System Control and Dispatch Charge, paid by the NYISO for the account of the RSS Unit ("Energy Revenues") shall be shared such that RGE shall be entitled to seventy percent (70%) of Energy Revenues and Ginna shall be entitled to thirty percent (30%) of Energy Revenues, subject to Ginna's right to retain all Energy Revenues under the circumstances described in Section 5.3(b) and Section 7.1(b) and the Settlement Cap Amount and the Settlement Floor Amount described in Section 4.3.

- (c) Ginna shall offer Ginna UCAP into the NYISO ICAP Spot Market Auction; such offers shall be consistent with Ginna's prior offers into such auction and be subject to compliance with NYISO market rules. All monthly capacity revenues paid by the NYISO for the account of the RSS Unit ("Capacity Revenues") shall be shared such that RGE shall be entitled to seventy (70%) of Capacity Revenues and Ginna shall be entitled to thirty percent (30%) of Capacity Revenues, subject to Ginna's right to retain all Capacity Revenues under the circumstances described in Section 5.3(b) and Section 7.1(b) and the Settlement Cap Amount and the Settlement Floor Amount described in Section 4.3.
- (d) RGE shall be entitled to one hundred percent (100%) of any ancillary service (including reactive power) revenues paid for the account of the RSS Unit ("Ancillary Service Revenues"), subject to Ginna's right to retain all Ancillary Service Revenues under the circumstances described in Section 5.3(b) and Section 7.1(b) and the Settlement Cap Amount and the Settlement Floor Amount described in Section 4.3.
- (e) Ginna shall use commercially reasonable efforts, consistent with Good Utility Practice, to maximize the Energy Revenues, Capacity Revenues and Ancillary Service Revenues.
- (f) The Applicable Revenues shall be (i) credited against the Monthly Fixed Amount for the applicable delivery month, with any Applicable Revenues in excess of the Monthly Fixed Amount paid to RGE, and (ii) reflected on the monthly invoice relating to such delivery month in accordance with Section 4.1(a).
- (g) The Parties shall credit or otherwise reimburse each other for any under or overpayments of Energy Revenues, Capacity Revenues and/or Ancillary Service Revenues if any such revenues for any month are modified in the NYISO's close-out invoicing process. This provision shall survive termination of this Agreement until the NYISO has issued a final close-out invoice for every month of the Term.
- (h) Ginna (or its affiliates with respect to any portion of the Facility owned by affiliates of Ginna) shall be solely responsible, without contribution from RGE, for any penalties, fines or imbalance charges that relate to the bidding, scheduling and operation of the RSS Unit or the operations of the Facility.
- (i) During the Term, Ginna shall not engage in any hedging activities other than non-speculative hedging activities relating to the projected volumes associated with Ginna's thirty percent (30%) share of any Energy Revenues and thirty percent (30%) share of any Capacity Revenues. No revenues or losses from any such hedging activities shall be included in the calculation of Energy Revenues, Capacity Revenues or Ancillary Service Revenues. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the provisions of this Section 3.2(i) shall not serve to limit the ability of Ginna's affiliates to enter into any hedging activities so long as Ginna is not obligated under or financially impacted by such hedging activities.

- (j) Each Party shall bear its own bad debt losses under the NYISO Tariffs.

3.3 Generation Attributes

Any Generation Attributes and revenues (including any revenues paid by the NYISO) associated therewith (other than energy, capacity and ancillary services and revenues and losses resulting from hedging activities), whether financially settled or otherwise, shall accrue to RGE's benefit, either as a credit to the Monthly Fixed Amount or as a transfer of title of such Generation Attributes to RGE for the duration of the Term, as Ginna may elect. Ginna shall use commercially reasonable efforts, consistent with Good Utility Practice, to maximize such Generation Attributes and revenues associated therewith.

3.4 Operating Characteristics and Environmental Compliance

Ginna shall have no obligation to cause the RSS Unit to be operated in a manner that would be inconsistent with or in violation of the NYISO Tariffs, NERC, NPCC, NRC or NYSRC rules or would cause Ginna to violate the terms of any applicable environmental regulations, restrictions, orders or decrees or any operating permit, which determination shall be made by Ginna in its reasonable discretion. Ginna shall have the obligation to ensure that the RSS Unit is operated in accordance with the NYISO Tariffs, NERC, NPCC, NRC or NYSRC rules and consistently with the terms of any applicable environmental regulations, restrictions, orders or decrees or any required operating permits.

3.5 Reactive Power

Except when the RSS Unit is unavailable, the RSS Unit shall provide reactive power consistent with the capability of the RSS Unit and in accordance with the Interconnection Agreement and the procedures specified under the NYISO's Voltage Support Service.

3.6 Retirement of RSS Unit

Ginna shall be entitled to undertake any actions during the Term that are necessary or advisable to retire the RSS Unit after the Term so long as such actions do not unreasonably interfere with, limit or diminish Ginna's provision of the Reliability Support Services during the Term, subject to compliance with the Settlement Agreements.

ARTICLE IV PRICING

4.1 Monthly Fixed Amount

- (a) The billing period during the Term shall be each calendar month. Not later than the twentieth (20th) day of each month, Ginna shall prepare and provide to RGE an invoice showing for the preceding month the Monthly Fixed Amount (prorated for any partial month), the Applicable Revenues, any Unplanned Outage Performance Adjustments, any Force Majeure Event Performance Adjustments and any other amounts payable by either Party under this Agreement, together with reasonable documentation supporting the invoiced amounts (including the

relevant NYISO invoices detailing the revenues and charges related to the RSS Unit). RGE shall pay Ginna the Monthly Fixed Amount (net of Applicable Revenues, any Unplanned Outage Performance Adjustments, any Force Majeure Event Performance Adjustments and any other amounts payable by Ginna under this Agreement) for each month during the Term, subject to the Settlement Cap Amount and the Settlement Floor Amount described in Section 4.3.

- (b) In the event that the Acceptance Date is achieved after April 1, 2015, (i) Ginna shall track the net amount that would have been owed to or by Ginna under this Agreement had the Acceptance Date been achieved by April 1, 2015 (*i.e.* the Monthly Fixed Amount, net of Applicable Revenues, any Unplanned Outage Performance Adjustments, any Force Majeure Event Performance Adjustments and any other amounts payable by Ginna under this Agreement) for each calendar month (or any partial month) until the day immediately prior to the Acceptance Date (such cumulative net amount for such calendar months, the “Deferred Collection Amount”), (ii) Ginna shall prepare and provide to RGE as soon as reasonably practicable, but not later than the twentieth (20th) day of the month after the Acceptance Date is achieved, a calculation of the Deferred Collection Amount, together with reasonable documentation supporting such amount and (iii) RGE or Ginna, as the case may be, shall pay the Deferred Collection Amount, plus interest on the unpaid balance thereof at the NYPSC-published interest rate for customer-provided capital that is applicable to investor-owned utilities, in equal monthly installments as part of Ginna’s monthly invoice amounts such that the final monthly installment of the Deferred Collection Amount is scheduled to be paid on the invoice relating to March 2017, subject to the Settlement Cap Amount and the Settlement Floor Amount described in Section 4.3. Ginna shall recalculate the Deferred Collection Amount and the monthly installment payments thereof if any component of the Deferred Collection Amount is subsequently adjusted by any final close-out invoice issued by the NYISO. For the avoidance of doubt, any Deferred Collection Amount shall not be considered to be part of the Monthly Fixed Amount for purposes of determining any Unplanned Outage Performance Adjustments or any Force Majeure Event Performance Adjustments for periods on and after the Acceptance Date. RGE will use deferred rate credit amounts (regulatory liabilities) to offset the full amount of the Deferred Collection Amount (including carrying costs), plus credit amounts to offset all RSSA costs that exceed \$2.25 million per month, not to exceed a total use of credits in the amount of \$110 million, applicable through June 30, 2017.
- (c) In the event that the nuclear waste fee established under the Nuclear Waste Policy Act of 1982 is reinstated during the Term (including the establishment of a fee covering time periods prior to the Term that is payable based upon the operation of the RSS Unit during the Term), the Monthly Fixed Amount shall be increased during the period during the Term in which such nuclear waste fee is in effect by the monthly amount of the nuclear waste fee applicable to the RSS Unit, as calculated based on the actual monthly generation output of the RSS Unit. For

the avoidance of doubt, no amount shall be payable by RGE for any such nuclear waste fee that is reinstated after the Term that applies retroactively to the Term.

- (d) In the event that Ginna pays (i) annual property tax payments or (ii) in lieu of tax payments applicable to the Facility ((i) and (ii) defined herein as “Property Taxes”) in amounts that are lower than \$8.41 Million in 2015, \$7.25 Million in 2016, or \$7.39 Million in 2017 (as appropriately prorated for the partial year 2017), respectively, then the Monthly Fixed Amount shall be decreased during the applicable calendar year in the Term by an amount equal to one-twelfth (1/12) of the difference between the amount set forth above for such year and the paid Property Taxes applicable to such year, subject to the Settlement Floor Amount described in Section 4.3. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any reduction in Property Taxes for 2017 that is the result of a decision by Ginna to permanently cease delivering energy to the NYISO transmission system and making available capacity to the NYISO markets after the expiration of the Term on March 31, 2017 shall not be taken into consideration for purposes of the preceding sentence.

4.2 Capital Expenditures and Operating Costs

In consideration of the Monthly Fixed Amount and the revenues retained by Ginna pursuant to Section 3.2, Ginna shall be responsible, at its sole cost and without additional payment from RGE, for all capital expenditures and operating costs (including fuel), whether or not currently anticipated, required to operate and maintain the RSS Unit in accordance with Good Utility Practice, including, but not limited to the projected expenditures described in Exhibit 5 (if required) and any capital expenditures or operating costs (including fuel) attributable to the enactment of any Applicable Laws, or any changes in existing Applicable Laws, after the date hereof. The Parties acknowledge that the economic terms of this Agreement, including the Fixed Monthly Amount, the Settlement Cap Amount, the Settlement Floor Amount and the revenues retained by Ginna pursuant to Section 3.2, have been established based upon an estimate of such capital expenditures and operating costs (including fuel) and the Parties have agreed that Ginna shall bear the risk and retain the benefit of any savings related to estimated capital expenditures and operating costs during the Term.

4.3 Settlement Cap Amount and Settlement Floor Amount

- (a) Ginna’s Total Revenues will be capped so as not to exceed \$510,000,000.00 in the aggregate (the “Settlement Cap Amount”). If Ginna’s Total Revenues exceed the Settlement Cap Amount, Ginna shall prepare and issue to RGE an invoice not later than June 20, 2017 for, and Ginna shall make a payment to RGE on or prior to June 30, 2017 of, an amount equal to the difference between Ginna’s Total Revenues received and the Settlement Cap Amount. Any such amounts will be preserved by RGE with carrying charges for the benefit of ratepayers. The Settlement Cap Amount will be reduced, dollar-for-dollar, for any Performance Adjustment(s) assessed pursuant to Section 5.3.
- (b) Ginna’s Total Revenues will be subject to a floor so as not to be less than \$425,000,000.00 in the aggregate (the “Settlement Floor Amount”). If Ginna’s

Total Revenues are less than the Settlement Floor Amount, Ginna shall prepare and issue to RGE an invoice not later than June 20, 2017 for, and RGE shall make an additional payment to Ginna on or prior to June 30, 2017 of, an amount equal to the difference between Ginna's Total Revenues received and the Settlement Floor Amount. Should ratepayer credits remain, recovery by RGE from ratepayers of the difference between Ginna's Total Revenues and the Settlement Floor Amount will be offset by such credits. To the extent that any such payments are not offset with ratepayer credits, they will be deferred with carrying charges for future recovery by RGE. The Settlement Floor Amount will be reduced, dollar-for-dollar, for any Performance Adjustment(s) assessed pursuant to Section 5.3.

- (c) The Parties shall reimburse each other for any under or overpayments under this Section 4.3 if the Energy Revenues, Capacity Revenues and/or Ancillary Service Revenues for any month are modified in the NYISO's close-out invoicing process, consistent with any adjustments made pursuant to Section 3.2(g), subject to the Settlement Cap Amount and the Settlement Floor Amount described in Section 4.3. This provision shall survive termination of this Agreement until the NYISO has issued a final close-out invoice for every month of the Term.

4.4 Settlement Payment

In the month following the expiration of the Term on March 31, 2017, Ginna shall prepare and issue an invoice to RGE for, and RGE shall pay to Ginna, a one-time payment in the amount of \$11,458,030.70 (the "Settlement Payment"). For the avoidance of doubt, no Settlement Payment shall be owed by RGE if this Agreement is terminated early pursuant to Section 2.1(c) or Section 9.1.

4.5 Payment of Capital Recovery Balance

- (a) If the RSS Unit delivers energy to the NYISO transmission system or makes available capacity to the NYISO markets after seventy-five (75) days following March 31, 2017, Ginna shall pay RGE the Capital Recovery Balance as more particularly described in this Section 4.5(a). The quarterly installment payments of the Capital Recovery Balance shall be calculated according to the following formula:

$$\text{Quarterly Installment Payment} = (i \times B \times (1+i)^n) / ((1+i)^n - 1)$$

Where:

i = the quarterly compounded equivalent of RGE's then-NYPSC approved weighted average cost of capital

B = the applicable Capital Recovery Balance

n = the total quarters over which the Capital Recovery Balance is to be recovered (i.e. 8, as may be reduced for purposes of any prepayment recalculation as set forth in the following paragraph)

Such payments (i) shall only include periods after the seventy-five (75) day period following March 31, 2017 and (ii) shall be prorated for any partial calendar quarter. Ginna's payment obligation under this Section 4.5 shall survive the termination of this Agreement until the earlier of (i) the completion of eight (8) Quarterly Installment Payments, and (ii) such time that the RSS Unit permanently ceases delivering energy to the NYISO transmission system and making available capacity to the NYISO markets. Ginna shall invoice amounts due by Ginna to RGE under this Section 4.5(a) on the tenth (10th) business day following the end of each calendar quarter. Ginna shall be entitled to remit prepayments of all or any portion of the Capital Recovery Balance, foregoing the requirement to pay any interest on such amount, and, upon such prepayment, (w) the Capital Recovery Balance shall be decreased by the prepayment amount, (x) Ginna shall not be required to resume making Quarterly Installment Payments until after the equivalent number of prepayment amount quarters has passed, (y) the Quarterly Installment Payment shall be recalculated in accordance with the above formula such that the remaining, post-prepayment Capital Recovery Balance will be recovered over the remaining number of Quarterly Installment Payments after Ginna is required to resume making Quarterly Installment Payments and (z) the remaining Capital Recovery Balance shall continue to accrue interest until repaid.

- (b) If the RSS Unit permanently ceases delivering energy to the NYISO transmission system and making available capacity to the NYISO markets prior to seventy-five (75) days following March 31, 2017, Ginna's compensation and payment obligations set forth in Section 4.5(a) shall not apply, but such obligations shall be reinstated if the RSS Unit subsequently resumes delivering energy to the NYISO transmission system or making available capacity to the NYISO markets.
- (c) For each hour in a given month in which an Unplanned Outage Performance Adjustment or Force Majeure Performance Adjustment amount is credited against the Monthly Fixed Amount as specified in Section 5.3(b) or Section 7.1(b), the Capital Recovery Balance shall be reduced by the following amount:

$$\text{Capital Recovery Balance Reduction} = (\text{FH}/\text{H}) * (\text{P} - \text{R}) * 5.44\%$$

Where:

FH = hours in such month that are subject to an Unplanned Outage Performance Adjustment or a Force Majeure Performance Adjustment

H = total hours in a given month

P = Fixed Monthly Payment

R= The amount of Applicable Revenues retained by Ginna applicable to such hour, pursuant to Section 5.3(b) or Section 7.1(b)

The Capital Recovery Balance Reduction shall never be less than zero (0).

- (d) In the event that Ginna is selected pursuant to Article 4.1 of the NYPSC Settlement Agreement and Article 4.1 of the Settlement Agreement to provide reliability service beyond the Term, the calculation and recovery of the Capital Recovery Balance shall be governed by Article 2.4 of the NYPSC Settlement Agreement and Article 2.4 of the FERC Settlement Agreement.

4.6 Billing and Payment

Billing and payment terms for invoices issued under Sections 4.1, 4.3, 4.4 and 4.5(a) shall be as set forth in Exhibit 2.

4.7 Other Costs

Each Party shall bear its own attorneys' and consultants' fees incurred in connection with the preparation, negotiation, regulatory approval and administration of this Agreement.

4.8 Books and Records

RGE shall have the right to reasonable access to, review of, and audit of Ginna's books and records for the purpose of proper administration of this Agreement, including the satisfaction of any inquiry of RGE by a Governmental Authority relating to this Agreement, subject to Applicable Laws. Notwithstanding the foregoing, RGE shall not be entitled to review any Safeguards Information (as defined in 10 C.F.R. §73.2) relating to the Facility or any information relating to the Facility that is classified as National Security Information or Restricted Data or information or records concerning the Facility's physical protection, classified matter protection, or material control and accounting program for special nuclear material not otherwise designated as Safeguards Information or classified as National Security Information or Restricted Data (as discussed in 10 C.F.R. § 2.390(d)(1)) unless (a) Ginna determines in its reasonable discretion that RGE has reason to know such information and the requested information is related to the administration of this Agreement and (b) each individual determined by RGE to have reason to know such information satisfies any security checks required by and other regulatory requirements of any Governmental Authority or generally required by the Facility prior to and/or as a condition of being granted access to, review of, or audit of such information.

ARTICLE V OUTAGES AND MAINTENANCE; ACCESS

5.1 Planned Outages

- (a) The schedule of Planned Outages for the Term is set forth in Exhibit 3. Ginna shall provide to RGE a detailed major outage plan and schedule involving maintenance or restoration of the RSS Unit from a Planned Outage. Upon reasonable notice to RGE, Ginna may alter the commencement and/or completion

dates for Planned Outages, provided that increasing the duration of a Planned Outage beyond the applicable duration set forth in Exhibit 3 shall be subject to Section 5.3(a).

- (b) Ginna shall be permitted to take the RSS Unit out of operation, or reduce the capability of the RSS Unit, during Planned Outages as permitted by the NYISO Tariffs and policies and the Interconnection Agreement.
- (c) Ginna shall provide RGE a monthly report on the tenth (10th) business day of each successive month of the Term on the current and projected operating status of the RSS Unit and any upcoming items of note, including any forecasted changes to the Planned Outage schedule, substantially in the form set forth in Exhibit 4. Such reports shall not serve to amend Exhibit 3 for purposes of determining Unplanned Outage Performance Adjustments in accordance with Section 5.3.

5.2 Unplanned Outages

In the event of an Unplanned Outage, Ginna shall notify RGE, pursuant to established practice under the NYISO Outage Scheduling Manual, of the nature and expected duration of such Unplanned Outage as soon as practicable and shall keep RGE timely advised of any developments associated with such Unplanned Outage and the estimated timing of the return of the RSS Unit to full capability. Ginna shall use commercially reasonable efforts to remedy and to mitigate the consequences of an Unplanned Outage as soon as reasonably practicable. An Unplanned Outage that occurs and continues for a period of ninety (90) consecutive days or more shall be considered a failure to perform a material obligation under this Agreement by Ginna that is subject to termination for default pursuant to Section 9.1.

5.3 Unplanned Outage Performance Adjustment

- (a) Ginna's failure to return the RSS Unit to service from a Planned Outage within the allotted duration set forth in Exhibit 3 shall result in the excess hours associated with such Planned Outage being treated as an Unplanned Outage and the application of the Unplanned Outage Performance Adjustment as set forth in Section 5.3(b) below, but shall not be deemed a failure to perform a material obligation under this Agreement under Section 9.1 unless Ginna fails to exercise Good Utility Practices and act in accordance with the NYISO Tariffs in returning the RSS Unit to service.
- (b) For each hour (or portion thereof) of an Unplanned Outage that exceeds a total of 195 hours for a calendar year (pro-rated for any partial years) during the Term, (i) an Unplanned Outage Performance Adjustment amount shall be credited against the Monthly Fixed Amount on the monthly invoice that is issued for the month in which such hour occurs and (ii) Ginna shall be entitled to retain, without credit to RGE, the Applicable Revenues relating to such hour.

5.4 Access

RGE shall be entitled to have one individual who shall serve as RGE's representative or agent and who shall not be an employee of Ginna or its affiliates located in a work space at the Facility's training building, with badge access (*i.e.* authorized access at all times without escort) to the training building. Such RGE representative or agent shall be given access to the internet at such work space, if so requested, but shall not be entitled to access to any computer system of Ginna or its affiliates. RGE shall be entitled to have its on-site representative or agent given visitor (escorted) access to the other areas of the Facility and a reasonable number of additional representatives or agents given visitor (escorted) access to the Facility, subject to such representatives' or agents' satisfaction of any security and regulatory requirements and other protocols generally required of visitors to the Facility and upon reasonable advance notice to Ginna. RGE's representatives and agents shall at all times comply with all requirements and instructions of Facility personnel while present at the Facility, including but not limited to any requirements of any Governmental Authority. Such access to the Facility shall not unreasonably interfere with the operations of the Facility. RGE shall be solely responsible for, and shall indemnify and hold harmless Ginna for, the acts of or any employment related claims or other claims brought by RGE's employees, representatives or agents, including any loss, claim, action or suit for or on account of injury or death of persons, or for damage to, or destruction or economic loss of, property associated with any (a) injury sustained by RGE's employees, representatives or agents or (b) acts or omissions of any of RGE's representatives or agents while present at the Facility's training building or at the Facility.

ARTICLE VI REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES

6.1 Representations and Covenants of Ginna

Ginna hereby represents and warrants to RGE as of the Restatement Date and covenants to RGE that:

- (a) Ginna is a limited liability company duly organized, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the State of Maryland. Ginna has full limited liability company power and authority to own and lease all of the properties and assets it now owns and leases and to carry on its business as now being conducted. To the knowledge of Ginna, Ginna is in substantial compliance with Applicable Laws.
- (b) Ginna has full power and authority (limited liability company and otherwise) to execute, deliver and perform this Agreement (including execution, delivery and performance of the operative documents to which Ginna is a party) and to consummate the transactions contemplated herein, subject to the conditions set forth in this Agreement. The execution and delivery by Ginna of this Agreement and the operative documents, and the consummation of the transactions will not violate Ginna's organizational documents or other obligations, and no other proceedings on the part of Ginna are necessary with respect thereto and no additional consents or approvals other than those provided for herein are required. This Agreement has been duly and validly executed and delivered by Ginna and

constitutes the legal, valid and binding obligation of Ginna enforceable against Ginna in accordance with its terms except as the same may be limited by bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, arrangement, fraudulent conveyance, moratorium or other similar laws relating to or affecting the rights of creditors generally, or by general equitable principles (regardless of whether enforcement is considered in a proceeding at law or in equity). Ginna shall take, and cause to be taken, all action that is necessary for Ginna to complete the actions to be completed by Ginna pursuant to this Agreement.

- (c) There are no known issues, defects, problems or other issues involving or related to the ownership and/or operation of the RSS Unit and the Facility as a whole that would preclude or prevent Ginna from fully performing its duties and obligations in accordance with this Agreement.
- (d) The calculation of operating and maintenance costs and capital expenditures anticipated to be incurred by Ginna over the Term included in the cost of service materials and supporting data referenced in the affidavit submitted by Ginna to FERC in connection with its application for approval of this Agreement, attached hereto as Exhibit 5, (i) have been prepared by Ginna in good faith consistent with its historical practices, (ii) represent Ginna's best estimate of such costs consistent with historical practices and the projected operations of the Facility during the Term and (iii) are consistent with the prevailing cost estimates and operating plans presented to the board of directors of Constellation Energy Nuclear Group, LLC on December 9, 2014.
- (e) No citations, fines, or penalties have been asserted against Ginna under any Environmental Law or by the regulatory authority or jurisdiction in which Ginna operates. Ginna has not received notice (verbal or written) of, nor is it aware of, any person making allegations that all or any part of the RSS Unit or the Facility as a whole, or the use, operation or ownership thereof, are in violation of any applicable Environmental Law.
- (f) Ginna shall keep in force all existing policies of insurance, or comparable replacement policies of insurance at existing levels of coverage related to the RSS Unit and the Facility, including the ownership and operation thereof, throughout the duration of the Term.
- (g) Ginna is in compliance with or has performed all agreements, representations and warranties, and conditions in this Agreement that are required to be performed and complied with by Ginna before or coincident with the Restatement Date.

6.2 Representations and Covenants of RGE

RGE hereby represents and warrants to Ginna as of the Restatement Date and covenants that:

- (a) RGE is a corporation duly organized, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the State of New York, with full corporate power and authority to own property and carry on its business as now being conducted.
- (b) RGE has full power and authority (corporate and otherwise) to execute, deliver and perform this Agreement (including execution, delivery and performance of the operative documents to which RGE is a party) and to consummate the transactions contemplated herein, subject to the conditions set forth in this Agreement. The execution and delivery by RGE of this Agreement and the operative documents, and the consummation of the transactions will not violate RGE's organizational documents or other obligations, and no other corporate proceedings on the part of RGE are necessary with respect thereto and no additional consents or approvals other than those provided for herein are required. This Agreement has been duly and validly executed and delivered by RGE and constitutes the legal, valid and binding obligation of RGE enforceable against RGE in accordance with its terms except as the same may be limited by bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, arrangement, fraudulent conveyance, moratorium or other similar laws relating to or affecting the rights of creditors generally, or by general equitable principles (regardless of whether enforcement is considered in a proceeding at law or in equity). RGE shall take, and cause to be taken, all corporate action that is necessary for RGE to complete the actions to be completed by RGE pursuant to this Agreement.
- (c) RGE is in compliance with or has performed all agreements, representations and warranties, and conditions in this Agreement that are required to be performed and complied with by RGE before or coincident with the Restatement Date.

ARTICLE VII FORCE MAJEURE EVENTS

7.1 Force Majeure Event

- (a) Any delay or failure in the performance by a Party, other than payment of undisputed amounts, shall be excused if and to the extent caused by the occurrence of a Force Majeure Event. A "Force Majeure Event" means acts of God, fires, floods, explosion, riots, wars, unusually inclement weather, sabotage, vandalism, terrorism, terroristic acts, restraint of government, governmental acts, changes in laws, regulations or orders or injunctions, labor strikes, breakage or accident of machinery or equipment resulting from an event or circumstance that would otherwise constitute a Force Majeure Event hereunder, and other like events or circumstances that are beyond the reasonable control of the Party affected thereby, despite such Party's commercially reasonable efforts to prevent, avoid, delay, or mitigate the effect of such acts, events or occurrences, and which events or the effects thereof are not attributable to a Party's negligence or failure to perform its obligations under this Agreement. In no event shall "Force Majeure Event" include economic hardship of any kind.

- (b) RGE's obligation to pay Ginna the Monthly Fixed Amount shall not be affected by the occurrence of a Force Majeure Event, but the amount of the Monthly Fixed Amount may be adjusted for a Force Majeure Outage pursuant to this Section 7.1(b). For each hour (or portion thereof) of a Force Majeure Outage (other than due to a Force Majeure Event with respect to the transmission or distribution systems of RGE or by equipment owned by RGE) that exceeds a total of seven hundred twenty (720) hours for the Term (such hour defined herein as an "Excess Force Majeure Outage Hour"), (i) a Force Majeure Performance Adjustment amount shall be credited against the Monthly Fixed Amount on the monthly invoice that is issued for the month in which such hour occurs and (ii) Ginna shall be entitled to retain, without credit to RGE, the Applicable Revenues relating to such hour.
- (c) The Party unable to perform by reason of a Force Majeure Event shall use commercially reasonable efforts to remedy its inability to perform and to mitigate the consequences of the Force Majeure Event as soon as reasonably practicable; provided that (i) no Party shall be required to settle any strike, walkout, lockout, or other labor dispute on terms which, in the Party's sole discretion, are contrary to its interests and (ii) the Party unable to perform shall, as soon as practicable, advise the other Party of the reason for its inability to perform, the nature of any corrective action needed to resolve performance, and its efforts to remedy its inability to perform and to mitigate the consequences of its inability to perform and shall advise the other Party of when it estimates it will be able to resume performance of its obligations under this Agreement.

ARTICLE VIII LIMITATIONS OF LIABILITY

8.1 Indemnification, Limitation of Liability

- (a) Each Party shall release, indemnify and hold harmless the other Party and its directors, managers, officers, agents, contractors, sub-contractors and representatives against and from any and all loss, claims, actions or suits, including costs and attorneys' fees, both at trial and on appeal, resulting from, or arising out of or in any way, the negligence or willful misconduct related to this Agreement or breach of this Agreement of the indemnifying Party and its directors, managers, officers, agents, contractors, sub-contractors and representatives, including, but not limited to, any loss, claim, action or suit, for or on account of injury or death of persons, or for damage to, or destruction or economic loss of, property, excepting only such loss, claim, action or suit as may be caused solely by the negligence or willful misconduct or breach of this Agreement of the Party seeking indemnification or its directors, managers, officers, agents, contractors, sub-contractors or representatives.
- (b) Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed to create any duty to, any standard of care with reference to, or any liability to any person not a party to this Agreement. No undertaking by one Party to the other under any provision of this

Agreement shall constitute the dedication of that Party's system or any portion thereof to the other Party or to the public.

- (c) Neither Party shall be liable to the other for incidental, consequential, special, indirect, multiple or punitive damages, loss of revenue, profits, fees or costs arising out of, or connected in any way to the performance or non-performance of a Party under this Agreement, whether arising from contract, tort (including negligence), strict liability or otherwise, unless such damages are the result of a Party's gross negligence or willful misconduct and except as may be included in the calculation of Unplanned Outage Performance Adjustments or Force Majeure Event Performance Adjustments.

ARTICLE IX REMEDIES

9.1 Termination for Default

If any Party shall fail to perform any material obligation imposed on it by this Agreement, and that obligation has not been suspended pursuant to the terms of this Agreement, the other Party, at its option, may terminate this Agreement by giving the Party in default written notice setting out specifically the circumstances constituting the default and declaring its intention to terminate this Agreement. If the Party receiving the notice does not within thirty (30) days after receiving the notice, remedy the default, the Party not in default shall be entitled by a further written notice to terminate this Agreement; provided that, if the default is reasonably expected to take more than thirty (30) days to remedy, the defaulting Party shall notify the non-defaulting Party of its plan for remedying the default and must take actions to begin remedying the default within thirty (30) days. The Party not in default shall have a duty to mitigate damages. If RGE terminates this Agreement pursuant to this Section 9.1, then no Default Termination Payment shall be owed to Ginna except that any unpaid balance of any Deferred Collection Amount shall, at RGE's option, (a) continue to be repaid by RGE in monthly installments in accordance with Section 4.1(b) or (b) be repaid in full upon termination of this Agreement. If Ginna terminates this Agreement pursuant to this Section 9.1, its damages shall be limited to the Default Termination Payment. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Section 9.1, termination of this Agreement pursuant to this Section 9.1 shall be without prejudice to the right of any Party to collect any amounts due to it prior to the time of termination.

9.2 Waiver

The failure to exercise any remedy or to enforce any right provided in this Agreement or Applicable Law shall not constitute a waiver of such remedy or right or of any other remedy or right. A Party shall be considered to have waived any remedies or rights only if the waiver is in writing and signed by the Party against whom such waiver is to be enforced.

9.3 Beneficiaries

Except as is specifically set forth in this Agreement, nothing in this Agreement, whether express or implied, confers any rights or remedies under, or by reason of, this Agreement on any persons other than the Parties and their respective successors and assigns, nor is anything in this

Agreement intended to relieve or discharge the obligations or liability of any third-party, nor give any third-person any rights of subrogation or action against any Party.

ARTICLE X MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

10.1 Assignment

Neither Party shall assign its rights or delegate its duties under this Agreement without the prior written consent of the other Party, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld, conditioned, or delayed; provided that, upon the occurrence of a Market or Regulatory Change, RGE may assign this Agreement to one or more parties that are the beneficiaries identified in the appropriate Governmental Authority's determination of benefits, subject to Ginna's approval of such party's creditworthiness, which shall not be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed and need not be equivalent to RGE's creditworthiness. Any such assignment or delegation made without such written consent shall be null and void. Upon any assignment made in compliance with this section, the assigning Party shall be relieved of liability under this Agreement and this Agreement shall inure to and be binding upon the successors and assigns for the assigning Parties. Without limiting the foregoing, Ginna may not sell or transfer the assets comprising substantially all of the RSS Unit unless the purchaser or transferee agrees in writing with RGE to assume all rights, obligations and liabilities under this Agreement.

10.2 Market or Regulatory Change

Upon the occurrence of a Market or Regulatory Change, the Parties shall modify the economic terms of this Agreement (which may include adjusting the Monthly Fixed Amount, the revenue sharing percentages set forth in Section 3.2, the Default Termination Payment, the Settlement Payment and/or the Capital Recovery Balance, as applicable) to preserve, to the maximum extent possible, each Party's economic bargain under this Agreement. Such modifications shall only serve to reallocate, but not limit, the economic costs covered by this Agreement in accordance with the appropriate Governmental Authority's determination of benefits. Any additional revenues received by Ginna due to a Market or Regulatory Change that do not constitute Ginna's entitlement to Energy Revenues and/or Capacity Revenues described in Section 3.2(b) and (c) shall be for RGE's account and shall be credited against the Monthly Fixed Amount, with any such revenues in excess of the Monthly Fixed Amount paid to RGE. Upon notice of a Market or Regulatory Change by one Party to another, the Parties shall negotiate in good faith to determine the required modifications to this Agreement.

10.3 Cost Recovery

- (a) In the event that, after the Rate Recovery Order is obtained, the NYPSC or other Governmental Authority subsequently disallows the recovery from RGE's customers of any amounts paid to Ginna under this Agreement due to the breach or inaccuracy of Ginna's representations and warranties set forth in Section 6.1(d), the Parties shall negotiate in good faith to address the basis for such disallowance and to mitigate the economic impact of such disallowance on RGE. If the Parties fail to agree upon and implement a mechanism or adjustment

to this Agreement to fully mitigate the economic effects of such disallowance on RGE, then Ginna shall refund to RGE any such disallowed amount to the extent such disallowance was not a direct result of the willful misconduct or gross negligence of RGE. Any such refund shall be payable by Ginna, at Ginna's option, by means of a cash payment to RGE or by crediting such amount against the next succeeding Fixed Monthly Amount(s).

- (b) If the NYPSC or other Governmental Authority does not allow cost recovery by RGE through the "RSSA surcharge" as described in Article 3.2 of the NYPSC Settlement Agreement and Article 3.2 of the FERC Settlement Agreement, then if the RSSA is not terminated pursuant to its terms, (i) the Monthly Fixed Amount shall be immediately reduced to the monthly amount that RGE is authorized to recover through the RSSA surcharge on a substantially current basis, plus the amount of rate credits that RGE applies to offset the costs under this Agreement pursuant to Article 3.2 of the NYPSC Settlement Agreement and Article 3.2 of the FERC Settlement Agreement; and (ii) additionally, the Parties shall modify the other economic terms of this Agreement (which may include adjusting the Default Termination Payment, the Settlement Payment and/or the Capital Recovery Balance, as applicable) to allow for payment of the unpaid balance of the Monthly Fixed Amount as such amounts are reasonably anticipated to be recovered by RGE through such surcharge (which may include payments made to Ginna after the expiration or termination of the Term) or offset by the rate credit amounts that RGE applies to offset the costs under this Agreement pursuant to Article 3.2 of the NYPSC Settlement Agreement and Article 3.2 of the FERC Settlement Agreement. Such modifications shall only serve to modify the timing of, but not limit, the amounts payable to Ginna by RGE under this Agreement. Ginna shall be entitled to financing or carrying costs in connection with such modifications only to the extent that RGE is permitted by the NYPSC or other Governmental Authority to recover such financing or carrying costs through such surcharge.

10.4 Notices and Correspondence

Except as otherwise expressly provided in this Agreement, permitted by NYISO rules or required by law, all invoices, notices, consents, requests, demands, approvals, authorizations and other communications provided for in this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be sent by email, followed by personal delivery, certified mail, return receipt requested, facsimile transmission, or by recognized overnight courier service, to the intended Party at such Party's address set forth below. All such notices shall be deemed to have been duly given and to have become effective: (i) upon receipt if delivered in person or facsimile; (ii) two (2) days after having been delivered to a courier for overnight delivery; or (iii) seven (7) days after having been deposited in the United States mail as certified or registered mail, return receipt requested, all fees pre-paid, addressed to the applicable addresses set forth below. Each Party's address for notices shall be as follows (subject to change by notice in accordance with the provisions of this Section):

TO GINNA:

R.E. Ginna Nuclear Power Plant, LLC
100 Constellation Way, Suite 500C
Baltimore, MD 21202
Attention: Senior Vice President
Telephone No.: 410-470-5133
Facsimile No.: 410-470-2600

With copies to:

R.E. Ginna Nuclear Power Plant, LLC
4300 Winfield Road
Warrenville, IL 60555
Attn: Brad Fewell, Senior Vice President and General Counsel
Telephone No.: 630-657-3752

And

R.E. Ginna Nuclear Power Plant, LLC
c/o Exelon Generation Company, LLC
100 Constellation Way, Suite 500
Baltimore, MD 21202
Attention: General Counsel
Telephone No.: 410-470-3121
Facsimile No.: 410-470-2600

TO RGE:

Rochester Gas and Electric Corporation
James A. Carrigg Center, 18 Link Drive
P.O. Box 5224
Binghamton, New York 13902-5224
Attention: David Kimiecik, Vice President - Energy Services
Telephone No.: (607) 762-8701

with a copy to:

Iberdrola USA Management Corporation
99 Washington Ave, Suite 2018
Albany, NY 12210
Attention: Noelle Kinsch, Deputy General Counsel
Telephone No.: (518) 434-4977

10.5 Parties' Representatives

Each Party to this Agreement shall ensure that throughout the Term duly appointed representatives are available for communications between the Parties. The representatives shall have full authority to deal with all day-to-day matters arising under this Agreement. Ginna and RGE shall be entitled to assume that the duly appointed representatives of the other Party are at all times acting within the limits of the authority given by the representatives' Party.

10.6 Taxes

- (a) Each Party shall use reasonable efforts to implement the provisions of and to administer this Agreement insofar as it applies to the Reliability Support Services in accordance with the intent of the Parties to minimize all taxes, so long as neither Party is materially adversely affected by such efforts. If any of the transactions hereunder are to be exempted from or not subject to any particular taxes, the Parties shall cooperate in good faith to promptly provide each other with all necessary documentation to evidence and qualify for such exemption.
- (b) RGE shall pay or cause to be paid all taxes, if any, on or with respect to the sale of the Reliability Support Services (other than ad valorem, franchise or income taxes, or similar taxes measured by or based upon net income, which are related to the sale of the Reliability Support Services and are, therefore, the responsibility of Ginna). In the event Ginna is required by Applicable Law to remit or pay taxes which are RGE's responsibility hereunder, RGE shall promptly reimburse Ginna for such taxes. If RGE is required by Applicable Law to remit or pay taxes which are Ginna's responsibility hereunder, RGE may deduct the amount of any such taxes from the sums due to Ginna under this Agreement. Nothing shall obligate or cause a Party to pay or be liable to pay any taxes for which it is exempt under Applicable Law.

10.7 Independent Parties

Nothing contained herein shall constitute the Parties as joint venturers, partners, employees or agents of one another, and neither Party shall have the right or power to bind or obligate the other. Nothing herein will be construed as making either Party responsible or liable for the obligations and undertakings of the other Party. Except for provisions herein expressly authorizing a Party to act for another, nothing in this Agreement shall constitute a Party as a legal representative or agent of the other Party, nor shall a Party have the right or authority to assume, create or incur any liability or any obligation of any kind, express or implied, against or in the name or on behalf of the other Party unless otherwise expressly permitted by such other Party. Except as otherwise expressly provided in this Agreement, no Party undertakes to perform any obligation of the other Party.

10.8 Choice of Law

This Agreement shall be interpreted and enforced in accordance with the laws of the State of New York, excluding any choice of law provisions or rules which may direct the application of the laws of another jurisdiction.

10.9 Effect of Invalidation, Modification, or Condition

Each covenant, condition, restriction, and other term of this Agreement is intended to be, and shall be construed as, independent and severable from each other covenant, condition, restriction, and other term. If any covenant, condition, restriction, or other term of this Agreement is held to be invalid or otherwise modified or conditioned by any Governmental Authority, the invalidity, modification, or condition of such covenant, condition, restriction, or other term shall not affect the validity of the remaining covenants, conditions, restrictions, or other terms hereof. If an invalidity, modification, or condition has a material impact on the rights and obligations of the Parties, the Parties shall make a good faith effort to renegotiate and restore the benefits and burdens of this Agreement as they existed prior to the determination of the invalidity, modification, or condition. If the Parties fail to reach agreement, then the Party whose rights and obligations have been adversely affected may, in its sole discretion, terminate this Agreement.

10.10 Amendments

Any amendments or modifications of this Agreement shall be made only in writing and duly executed by all Parties to this Agreement. Such amendments or modifications shall become effective only after the Parties have received any authorizations required from FERC for the amendment or modification. The Parties agree to negotiate in good faith any amendments to this Agreement that are needed to reflect the intent of the Parties as expressed herein and to reflect any changes to the design of the New York markets that are approved by FERC from time to time.

10.11 Dispute Resolution

Except where otherwise provided for in this Agreement, disputes under this Agreement shall be submitted to representatives of each Party for resolution. If the dispute remains unresolved after forty-five (45) days, either Party may pursue any legal remedies available to it by law.

10.12 Injunctive Relief

In addition to any other remedy to which a Party may be entitled by reason of the other Party's breach of this Agreement, the Party not in default shall be entitled to seek temporary, preliminary and permanent injunctive relief from any court of competent jurisdiction restraining the other Party from committing or continuing any breach of this Agreement.

10.13 Entire Agreement

This Agreement consists of the terms and conditions set forth herein, as well as the Exhibits hereto, which are incorporated by reference herein and made a part hereof. This Agreement contains the entire agreement between the Parties with respect to the matters set forth herein and supersedes all prior negotiations, undertakings, agreements and business term sheets.

10.14 Confidentiality

Information provided by any Party to the other pursuant to this Agreement may, at the Party's discretion, be provided subject to the terms of the Confidentiality Agreement dated January 23, 2014, between Exelon Generation Company, LLC, an affiliate of Ginna, and RGE ("Confidentiality Agreement"). RGE may disclose information provided under Section 4.8 to the NYPSC and Staff pursuant to regulatory requests received in the ordinary course of RGE's business, and shall use at least the same degree of care (which in no event shall be less than reasonable care) in connection with demands or requests for the disclosure of any confidential information of Ginna as RGE uses to protect its own similar confidential information in connection with similar regulatory requests. Disclosure of such information pursuant to regulatory requests not received in the ordinary course of business shall remain subject to all of the terms and conditions of Section 4 of the Confidentiality Agreement. All information provided to either Party in connection with the negotiations regarding this Agreement shall remain subject to the provisions of such Confidentiality Agreement.

10.15 Communications; Press Releases

The Parties shall reasonably cooperate and coordinate with each other with regard to any communications in respect of the Reliability Support Services or the transactions contemplated by this Agreement with state and local community organizations and groups or the public generally, whether through press releases or otherwise. Each Party agrees to inform the other Party with respect to all such matters and shall promptly provide the other Party with copies of any communications sent, delivered or received; provided that nothing in the foregoing shall operate to prevent a Party from complying with Applicable Law or the requirements of any Governmental Authority concerning such matters.

10.16 FERC Proceedings

Ginna agrees to not seek a reliability must-run agreement (or similar agreement) from FERC with respect to the RSS Unit that would become effective prior to the end of the Term. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Parties agree that Ginna will seek the FERC Authorization in accordance with Section 2.1.

10.17 Standard of Review

The standard of review for any modifications to this Agreement requested by a Party will be subject to the "public interest" standard of review set forth in United Gas Pipe Line Company v. Mobile Gas Service Corporation, 350 U.S. 332 (1956), and Federal Power Commission v. Sierra Pacific Power Company, 350 U.S. 348 (1956). See also Morgan Stanley Capital Group Inc. v. Public Util. Dist. No. 1 of Snohomish County, 554 U.S. 527 (2008). The standard of review for any modifications to this Agreement requested by a non-party to this Agreement or initiated by FERC will be the most stringent standard permissible under applicable law. See NRG Power Mktg., LLC v. Maine Pub. Utils. Comm'n, 558 U.S. 165 (2010).

10.18 Counterparts

This Agreement may be executed in several counterparts, each of which is an original and all of which constitute one and the same instrument. Facsimile or PDF signature shall be an acceptable form of execution.

10.19 Amendment and Restatement

From and after the Restatement Date, this Agreement amends and restates in its entirety the Existing Agreement and the Existing Agreement shall thereafter be of no further force and effect.


(SIGNATURE PAGE FOLLOWS)

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have executed this Agreement as of the Restatement Date, but effective as of the Effective Date.

ROCHESTER GAS AND ELECTRIC CORPORATION

By: 

Name: Mark S. Lynch
Title: President & Chief Executive Officer

By: 

Name: Joseph J. Syta
Title: Vice President, Controller & Treasurer

R.E. GINNA NUCLEAR POWER PLANT, LLC

By: _____

Name:
Title:

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have executed this Agreement as of the Restatement Date, but effective as of the Effective Date.

ROCHESTER GAS AND ELECTRIC CORPORATION

By: _____

Name:
Title:

By: _____

Name:
Title:

R.E. GINNA NUCLEAR POWER PLANT, LLC

By: *Bruce G. Wilson*

Name: *Bruce G. Wilson*
Title: *Secretary*

Exhibit 1
to
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Between Rochester Gas and Electric Corporation and R.E. Ginna Nuclear Power Plant,
LLC

Default Termination Payment

Default Termination Month	Default Termination Payment
Apr-16	\$ 43,604,186.91
May-16	\$ 41,036,836.08
Jun-16	\$ 38,089,342.20
Jul-16	\$ 35,479,110.20
Aug-16	\$ 32,846,981.24
Sep-16	\$ 30,044,584.25
Oct-16	\$ 27,613,402.77
Nov-16	\$ 24,610,419.03
Dec-16	\$ 22,006,732.50
Jan-17	\$ 18,671,045.00
Feb-17	\$ 14,092,324.63
Mar-17	\$ 11,458,030.70

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LLC

Billing and Payment

Billing Period. As designated in Section 4.1, 4.3, 4.4 or Section 4.5(a), as applicable.

Timeliness of Payment. Unless otherwise agreed by the Parties in a transaction contemplated by this Agreement, all invoices under this Agreement shall be due and payable in accordance with each Party's invoice instructions on or before the later of the last day of each month, or tenth (10th) day after receipt of the invoice or, if such day is not a business day, then on the next business day. Each Party shall make payments by electronic funds transfer, or by other mutually agreeable method(s), to the account designated by the other Party. Any amounts not paid by the due date will be deemed delinquent and will accrue interest at the Interest Rate, such interest to be calculated from and including the due date to but excluding the date the delinquent amount is paid in full.

Interest Rate. "Interest Rate" shall mean, for any date, the lesser of (a) the per annum rate of interest equal to the prime lending rate as may from time to time be published in *The Wall Street Journal* under "Money Rates" on such day (or if not published on such day on the most recent preceding day on which published), plus two percent (2%) and (b) the maximum rate permitted by applicable law.

Disputes and Adjustments of Invoices. A Party may, in good faith, dispute the correctness of any invoice or any adjustment to an invoice, rendered under this Agreement or adjust any invoice for any arithmetic or computational error within twelve (12) months of the date the invoice, or adjustment to an invoice, was rendered. In the event an invoice or portion thereof, or any other claim or adjustment arising hereunder, is disputed, payment of the undisputed portion of the invoice shall be required to be made when due, with notice of the objection given to the other Party. Any invoice dispute or invoice adjustment shall be in writing and shall state the basis for the dispute or adjustment. Payment of the disputed amount shall not be required until the dispute is resolved. Upon resolution of the dispute, any required payment shall be made within two (2) Business Days of such resolution along with interest accrued at the Interest Rate from and including the due date to but excluding the date paid. Inadvertent overpayments shall be returned upon request or deducted by the Party receiving such overpayment from subsequent payments, with interest accrued at the Interest Rate from and including the date of such overpayment to but excluding the date repaid or deducted by the Party receiving such overpayment. Any dispute with respect to an invoice is waived unless the other Party is notified in accordance with this section within twelve (12) months after the invoice is rendered or any specific adjustment to the invoice is made. If an invoice is not rendered within twelve (12) months after the close of the month during which performance of a transaction contemplated by this Agreement occurred, the right to payment for such performance is waived.

Netting of Payments. The Parties hereby agree that they shall discharge mutual debts and payment obligations due and owing to each other on the same date pursuant to all transactions applicable to this Agreement through netting, in which case all amounts owed by each Party to the other Party for the purchase and sale of products during the monthly billing period under this Agreement, interest, and payments or credits, shall be netted so that only the excess amount remaining due shall be paid by the Party who owes it.

Payment Obligation Absent Netting. If no mutual debts or payment obligations exist and only one Party owes a debt or obligation to the other during the monthly billing period, that Party shall pay such sum in full when due.

US Federal Tax Forms. Each Party to this Agreement shall upon signing provide the other Party a completed W-9.

Dollars. Unless otherwise stated all dollars in this Agreement refer to U.S. Currency.

Exhibit 3
to
Amended and Restated Reliability Support Services Agreement
Between Rochester Gas and Electric Corporation and R.E. Ginna Nuclear Power Plant,
LLC

Planned Outage Schedule

REDACTED

CONTAINS

CRITICAL ENERGY INFRASTRUCTURE INFORMATION
AS DEFINED IN 18 C.F.R. § 388.113 (2015)

Exhibit 4
to
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Between Rochester Gas and Electric Corporation and R.E. Ginna Nuclear Power Plant, LLC

Monthly Report
R.E. Ginna Nuclear Power Plant LLC

Historical Information	Past Month Daily Average	Past Month	Year-to-Date
Generation (Historical)			
Gross Generation			
Net Generation			
Station Service			
Station Service as % of Generation			
Fuel Consumption			
Availability (Historical)			
Equivalent Availability Factor			
Capacity Factor			

Projections	Current Month	[+ 1]	[+ 2]	[+ 3]	[+ 4]	[+ 5]	[+ 6]
Generation							
Gross Generation							
Net Generation							
Station Service							

Station Service as % of Generation							
Fuel Consumption							
Availability							
Equivalent Availability Factor							
Capacity Factor							

Planned Outage Schedule (current month plus next six months):

Other Items of Note:

Exhibit 5
to
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Between Rochester Gas and Electric Corporation and R.E. Ginna Nuclear Power Plant,
LLC
Ginna Affidavit

[Attached]

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
BEFORE THE
FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION

R.E. Ginna Nuclear Power Plant, LLC)
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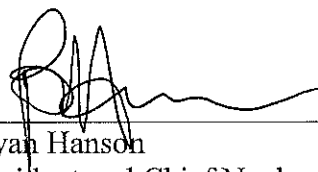
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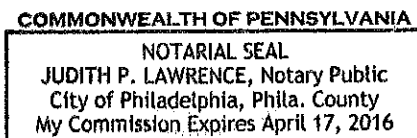
I, the undersigned, being duly sworn, depose and say that I am President and Chief Nuclear Officer of Exelon Nuclear, a division of Exelon Generation, LLC, and that to the best of my knowledge, information and belief, the cost of service materials and supporting data submitted by R.E. Ginna Nuclear Power Plant, LLC ("Ginna") in support of the Existing Agreement are true, correct, accurate and complete, and current representations of Ginna's actual historical costs for the years 2011, 2012 and 2013, and estimated costs for the years 2014, 2015, 2016, and 2017.



Bryan Hanson
President and Chief Nuclear Officer, Exelon
Nuclear, a division of Exelon Generation, LLC

Subscribed and sworn to before me
this 21 day of October, 2015



Notary Public

ATTACHMENT B

AMENDED AND RESTATED
RELIABILITY SUPPORT SERVICES AGREEMENT

~~dated~~ **effective** as of February 13, 2015,

between

R.E. Ginna Nuclear Power Plant, LLC

and

Rochester Gas and Electric Corporation

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AMENDED AND RESTATED
RELIABILITY SUPPORT SERVICES AGREEMENT

Pursuant to the rates, terms and conditions of this **Amended and Restated** Reliability Support Services Agreement (this “Agreement”), ~~dated~~**made as of October 20, 2015 (the “Restatement Date”), but effective** as of February 13, 2015 (the “Effective Date”), R.E. Ginna Nuclear Power Plant, LLC (“Ginna”) shall provide reliability support services to Rochester Gas and Electric Corporation (“RGE,” and together with Ginna, the “Parties”) from the R.E. Ginna Nuclear Power Plant which is interconnected with RGE’s transmission system.

RECITALS

WHEREAS, Ginna owns the R.E. Ginna Nuclear Power Plant, a nuclear generating station located in Ontario, New York, which consists of one (1) pressurized water reactor unit (PTID 23603) with a capacity of 581 MW (the “RSS Unit,” and together with all appurtenant facilities, the “Facility”). Since being placed into service, the RSS Unit has supplied energy, capacity and ancillary services in New York;

WHEREAS, RGE is the transmission owner to which the Facility is interconnected;

WHEREAS, in January 2014, Ginna communicated to the New York State Independent System Operator (“NYISO”) and RGE its intent to potentially retire the RSS Unit due to insufficient revenues projected to be earned by the Facility;

WHEREAS, the NYISO and RGE conducted a reliability study, dated as of May 12, 2014, which determined that retirement of the RSS Unit would result in bulk transmission system and non-bulk local distribution system reliability violations in 2015 and 2018;

WHEREAS, on July 11, 2014, Ginna submitted a petition to the New York State Public Service Commission (“NYPSC”) requesting that the NYPSC direct RGE and Ginna to negotiate and file an agreement by which Ginna would provide Reliability Support Services from the RSS Unit to Ginna;

WHEREAS, on November 14, 2014, the NYPSC ~~ordered RGE and Ginna to negotiate and file~~**directed RGE “to participate in ... negotiations with Ginna” regarding** an agreement with the NYPSC by which Ginna would provide Reliability Support Services from the RSS Unit to RGE; and **to file such agreement with the NYPSC;**

WHEREAS, ~~both Parties desire~~ to ensure that the RSS Unit remains available to support system reliability in New York until certain transmission upgrades are completed or other reliability remedies are identified and implemented, **the Parties entered into the Reliability Support Services Agreement, dated as of February 13, 2015 (as amended and supplemented prior to the Restatement Date, including by Amendment No. 1 to Reliability Support Services Agreement, effective as of May 14, 2015, Amendment No. 2 to Reliability Support Services Agreement, effective as of July 31, 2015, Amendment No. 3 to Reliability Support Services Agreement, effective as of August 17, 2015, Amendment No. 4 to Reliability Support Services Agreement, effective as of August 27, 2015, Amendment No. 5 to Reliability Support Services Agreement, effective as of September 11, 2015, and Amendment**

No. 6 to Reliability Support Services Agreement, effective as of October 2, 2015 (the “Existing Agreement”);

WHEREAS, on February 13, 2015, and thereafter with respect to subsequent amendments, RGE filed the Existing Agreement with the NYPSC and Ginna filed the Existing Agreement with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (“FERC”);

WHEREAS, the NYPSC established proceedings to address, among other things, RGE’s request for recovery of the costs of the Existing Agreement and FERC established proceedings to address, among other things, the justness and reasonableness of the Existing Agreement;

WHEREAS, to concurrently resolve all issues raised by the NYPSC and FERC proceedings relating to the Existing Agreement, the Parties, the NYPSC, the New York Utility Intervention Unit and Multiple Intervenors entered into (i) the Joint Proposal, dated October 20, 2015 (the “NYPSC Settlement Agreement”) and (ii) the Settlement Agreement and Offer of Settlement, dated October 20, 2015 (the “FERC Settlement Agreement”) pursuant to which, among other things, the Parties agreed to amend and restate the Existing Agreement as set forth herein.

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual agreements and covenants set forth herein, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, and intending to be legally bound by this Agreement, the Parties ~~covenant and agree~~ that the Existing Agreement is hereby amended and restated in its entirety as follows:

ARTICLE I DEFINITIONS

1.1 Definitions. Unless otherwise stated in this Agreement, the following terms shall have the following meanings:

- (a) “**Acceptance Date**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.1(a).
- (b) “**Agreement**” shall have the meaning set forth in the Preamble.
- (c) “**Ancillary Service Revenues**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 3.2(d).
- (d) “**Applicable Laws**” shall mean all applicable provisions of all constitutions, treaties, statutes, laws (including the common law), rules, regulations, ordinances, and codes and any order, writ, injunction, decree, judgment, award, decision or ~~determination~~ of any court or any federal, state, municipal or other governmental department, commission, board, bureau, agency, authority or instrumentality.
- (e) ~~ation of any court or any federal, state, municipal or other governmental department, commission, board, bureau, agency, authority or instrumentality.~~

- (e) ~~(f)~~ “**Applicable Revenues**” shall mean RGE’s ~~eighty-five~~seventy percent (85~~70~~70%) share of any Energy Revenues, RGE’s ~~eighty-five~~seventy percent (85~~70~~70%) share of any Capacity Revenues and one hundred percent (100%) of any Ancillary Service Revenues, subject to Ginna’s right to retain such Applicable Revenues under the circumstances described in Section 5.3(b) and in Section 7.1(b).
- (f) ~~(g)~~ “**Capacity Revenues**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 3.2(c).
- (g) ~~(h)~~ “**Capital Recovery Balance**” shall mean ~~the applicable amount set forth in Exhibit 5 for the applicable date of termination or expiration of this Agreement,~~ \$20,140,090.97, as such amount may be adjusted pursuant to the last sentence of Section 4.~~3~~4.5(a).
- (h) ~~(i)~~ “**Confidentiality Agreement**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 10.14.
- (i) “**Default Termination Payment**” shall mean the applicable amount set forth in Exhibit 1 for the applicable date of early termination of this Agreement plus any unpaid balance of any Deferred Collection Amount.
- (j) “**Deferred Collection Amount**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 4.1(b).
- (k) “**Effective Date**” shall have the meaning set forth in the Preamble.
- (l) “**Energy Revenues**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 3.2(b).
- (m) “**Environmental Laws**” shall mean any and all federal, state, or local, statutes, laws, judicial decisions, regulations, ordinances, rules, judgments, orders, decrees, plans, injunctions, permits, concessions, grants, franchises, licenses, agreements and other governmental restrictions relating to (i) the protection of the environment, (ii) the effect of the environment on human health, (iii) emissions, discharges or releases of hazardous materials or wastes into surface water, ground water or land, or (iv) the manufacturing, processing, distribution, use, treatment, storage, disposal, transport or handling of hazardous materials or wastes or the cleanup or other remediation thereof.
- (n) “**EPT**” shall mean the prevailing time in the eastern time zone of the United States.
- (o) “**Excess Force Majeure Outage Hour**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 7.1(b).
- (p) “**Existing Agreement**” shall have the meaning set forth in the Recitals.
- (q) ~~(p)~~ “**Facility**” shall have the meaning set forth in the Recitals.

- (r) ~~(q)~~ “**FERC**” shall mean ~~the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission~~ have the meaning set forth in the Recitals.
- (s) ~~(r)~~ “**FERC Authorization**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.1(a).
- (t) ~~(s)~~ “**FERC Settlement Agreement**” shall have the meaning set forth in the Recitals.
- (u) ~~(t)~~ “**Force Majeure Event**” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 7.1(a).
- (v) ~~(u)~~ “**Force Majeure Outage**” shall mean the condition, other than during any period of Planned Outage or Unplanned Outage, in which due to a Force Majeure Event the RSS Unit is unavailable or available at an hourly average capacity level that is less than 400 megawatts.
- (w) ~~(v)~~ “**Force Majeure Performance Adjustment**” shall mean, for a given hour in a month, an amount equal to the pro-rata portion of the Monthly Fixed Payment, equivalent to the ratio of one (1) hour to the total amount of hours in such month.
- (x) ~~(w)~~ “**FPA**” shall mean the Federal Power Act.
- (y) ~~(x)~~ “**GAAP**” shall mean the generally accepted accounting principles in the United States, as in effect from time to time.
- (z) ~~(y)~~ “**Generation Attributes**” means any and all attributes associated with the capability of the RSS Unit or the Facility to produce capacity, energy or ancillary services or the generation of energy by the RSS Unit, including current or future credits, credit privileges, emissions reductions, offsets, allowances and other benefits, rights, powers or privileges, however denominated, including as such may be provided for in any currently existing or subsequently enacted Applicable Laws, attributable to the RSS Unit or the Facility. Examples of Generation Attributes include, but are not limited to: (i) renewable energy credits, offsets or other similar benefits allocated, assigned or otherwise awarded by any Governmental Authority, program administrator or other certification board and (ii) the avoidance of the emission of any gas, chemical or other substance into the air, soil or water, or the reduction, displacement or offset of emissions resulting from fuel combustion at another location pursuant to any federal, state or local legislation or regulation addressing “greenhouse gases” or similar emissions as well as environmental or renewable energy credit trading program or any similar program currently existing or subsequently enacted under Applicable Laws. “Generation Attributes” shall not include energy, capacity and ancillary services produced by the RSS Unit.
- (aa) ~~(z)~~ “**Ginna**” shall have the meaning set forth in the Preamble.
- (bb) ~~(aa)~~ “**Ginna UCAP**” shall mean the RSS Unit’s “Unforced Capacity” as determined in accordance with the NYISO Tariffs.

- (cc) ~~(aa)~~ “**Good Utility Practice**” shall mean any of the practices, methods or acts engaged in or approved by a significant portion of the electric utility industry during the relevant time period, or any of the practices, methods or acts which, in the exercise of reasonable judgment in light of the facts known at the time the decision was made, could have been expected to accomplish the desired result at a reasonable cost consistent with good business practices, reliability, safety and expedition. Good Utility Practice is not intended to be limited to the optimum practice or method, or act to the exclusion of all others, but rather to delineate acceptable practices, methods, or acts generally accepted in the region. Without limitation of the foregoing, “Good Utility Practices” shall include the applicable operating policies, standards, criteria, practices and/or guidelines of FERC, NERC, NYISO, NYSRC, NPCC, NRC and any other Governmental Authority, including those practices required by FPA Section 215(a)(4).
- (dd) ~~(bb)~~ “**Governmental Authority**” shall mean the government of any nation, state or other political subdivision thereof, including any entity lawfully exercising executive, military, legislative, judicial, regulatory, or administrative functions of or pertaining to a government, including FERC, NERC, NYISO, NYSRC, NPCC and NRC.
- (ee) ~~“Initial Term”~~ shall ~~have the meaning set forth in Section 2.2(a).~~
- (ee) ~~(dd)~~ “**Interconnection Agreement**” means the Interconnection Agreement, dated November 24, 2003, as amended, restated or supplemented, between RGE and Ginna (as successor to Constellation Generation Group, LLC by assignment).
- (ff) ~~(ee)~~ “**Interest Rate**” shall have the meaning set forth in Exhibit 2.
- (gg) ~~(ff)~~ “**Market or Regulatory Change**” shall mean any action by the NYPSC, NYISO, FERC or any successor Governmental Authority that is not subject to a stay and would cause supplemental capacity payments or other additional payments, revenues or credits to be provided with respect to the RSS Unit or the Facility due to (i) the RSS Unit being deemed to run partly or wholly for the benefit of additional constituencies (e.g., the State of New York or the region) and not exclusively for the benefit of RGE’s customers or (ii) the RSS Unit’s status as a nuclear generator or the nature of its energy, capacity, ancillary services or other Generation Attributes having been generated by a nuclear generator.
- (hh) ~~(gg)~~ “**Monthly Fixed Amount**” shall mean ~~\$17,504,118.25~~ **15,420,000.00** for each month during the ~~Initial Term and \$18,402,166.16 for each month during any Necessary Extension, in each case~~ **Term**, prorated for any partial month, as such amounts may be adjusted in accordance with Section 4.1.
- (hh) ~~“Necessary Extension” shall mean, if elected by RGE in accordance with a Notice of Necessary Extension pursuant to Section 2.3, the period of time from the start of the hour ending at 0100 EPT on October 1, 2018 through the hour ending at 2400 EPT on March 31, 2020.~~

- (ii) “NERC” shall mean the North American Electric Reliability Corporation.
- ~~(jj)~~ ~~“Notice of Necessary Extension” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.3.~~
- (jj) ~~(kk)~~ “NPCC” shall mean the Northeast Power Coordinating Council, Inc.
- (kk) ~~(ll)~~ “NRC” shall mean the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.
- (ll) ~~(mm)~~ “NYISO” shall mean the New York Independent System Operator, Inc., or successor organization charged with operating the transmission system and markets in the State of New York.
- (mm) ~~(nn)~~ “NYISO Day-Ahead Energy Market” shall mean the NYISO-administered day-ahead energy market.
- (nn) ~~(oo)~~ “NYISO ICAP Spot Market Auction” shall mean the “ICAP Spot Market Auction” as defined in the NYISO Tariffs.
- (oo) ~~(pp)~~ “NYISO Outage Scheduling Manual” shall mean the “Outage Scheduling Manual” published by the NYISO.
- (pp) ~~(qq)~~ “NYISO Tariffs” shall mean, collectively, the published tariffs of the NYISO, including the Open Access Transmission Tariff and the Market Administration and Control Area Services Tariff, as such tariffs may be amended by the NYISO.
- (qq) ~~(rr)~~ “NYPSC” shall have the meaning set forth in the Recitals.
- (rr) **“NYPSC Settlement Agreement” shall have the meaning set forth in the Recitals.**
- (ss) “NYSRC” shall mean the New York State Reliability Council, L.L.C.
- (tt) “Party” shall mean either Ginna or RGE. “Parties” means both Ginna and RGE.
- (uu) “Planned Outage” shall mean a planned interruption, in whole or in part, in the electrical output of a generating unit to permit Ginna to perform maintenance and repair of the RSS Unit, pursuant to the process for providers and suppliers of installed capacity set forth in the NYISO Tariffs and NYISO Outage Scheduling Manual.
- (vv) “Property Taxes” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 4.1(d).
- (ww) “Quarterly Installment Payment” shall have the meaning set forth in Section ~~4.34.5~~4.5(a).
- (xx) “Rate Recovery Order” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.1(a).

- (yy) **“Reliability Support Services”** shall mean the services required to be provided by Ginna to RGE pursuant to this Agreement and shall include but not be limited to Ginna (a) keeping the RSS Unit available, capable of being committed and operating for reliability purposes as requested by RGE or the NYISO, (b) offering the RSS Unit’s energy into the NYISO Day-Ahead Energy Market and capacity into NYISO ICAP Spot Market Auctions, and (c) providing reactive power consistent with the capability of the RSS Unit pursuant to the Interconnection Agreement and the procedures specified under voltage support service provisions of the NYISO Tariffs.
- (zz) **“~~RGE~~Restatement Date”** shall have the meaning set forth in the Preamble.
- (aaa) “RGE” shall have the meaning set forth in the Preamble.**
- (bbb)** ~~(aaa)~~ **“RSS Unit”** shall have the meaning set forth in the Recitals.
- (ccc)** ~~(bbb)~~ **“Scheduling, System Control and Dispatch Charge”** shall mean the charges attributable to the RSS Unit for scheduling, system control and dispatch service calculated in accordance with Schedule 1 of the NYISO Open Access Transmission Tariff and Schedule 1 of the NYISO Market Administration and Control Area Services Tariff.
- (ddd) “Settlement Agreements” shall mean the NYPSC Settlement Agreement and the FERC Settlement Agreement.**
- (eee) “Settlement Cap Amount” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 4.3(a).**
- (fff) “Settlement Floor Amount” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 4.3(b).**
- (ggg)** ~~(eee)~~ **“Settlement Payment”** shall ~~mean the applicable amount set forth in Exhibit 1 for the applicable date of early termination of this Agreement plus any unpaid balance of any Deferred Collection Amount.~~ **have the meaning set forth in Section 4.4.**
- (hhh)** ~~(ddd)~~ **“Staff”** shall mean the staff of the New York State Department of Public Service.
- (iii)** ~~(eee)~~ **“Term”** shall mean the Initial Term, together with any Necessary Extension unless such period is decreased upon the termination of the Agreement ~~pursuant to Section 2.1(e), Section 2.2(e) or Section 9.1.~~ **have the meaning set forth in Section 2.2(a).**
- (jjj) “Total Revenues” shall mean the sum of all revenues received by Ginna relating to ownership and operation of the Facility, including the Monthly Fixed Payments (without consideration of any adjustment made pursuant to Section 4.1(c)), the Deferred Collection Amount, Ginna’s thirty percent (30%) share of any Energy Revenues, Ginna’s thirty percent (30%) share of**

any Capacity Revenues, any Settlement Payment, any Default Termination Payment, and any of the Applicable Revenues that Ginna has the right to retain under the circumstances described in Section 5.3(b) and in Section 7.1(b).

(kkk) ~~(fff)~~ “Unplanned Outage” shall mean the condition, other than during any period of Planned Outage or Force Majeure Outage, in which due to unanticipated failure the RSS Unit is unavailable or available at an hourly average capacity level that is less than 400 megawatts.

(lll) ~~(ggg)~~ “Unplanned Outage Performance Adjustment” shall mean, for a given hour in a month, an amount equal to the pro-rata portion of the Monthly Fixed Payment, equivalent to the ratio of one (1) hour to the total amount of hours in such month.

ARTICLE II CONDITIONS TO PAYMENT OBLIGATIONS; TERM; SURVIVAL OF OBLIGATIONS

2.1 Conditions to Payment Obligations

- (a) The Parties’ obligations with respect to payment of the Monthly Fixed Amount (including the obligation to net Applicable Revenues, any Unplanned Outage Performance Adjustments, any Force Majeure Event Performance Adjustments and any other amounts payable by Ginna under this Agreement) shall be subject to the Parties obtaining the following:
- (i) the issuance on or after the Restatement Date by FERC of an order accepting this Agreement under Section 205 of the Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. §824d and the regulations promulgated thereunder, without modifying or imposing any term or condition in a manner that is adverse in any material respect to a Party as determined in the affected Party’s reasonable discretion (“FERC Authorization”); and
 - (ii) the issuance on or after the Restatement Date by the NYPSA of an order (A) accepting this Agreement and (B) approving ~~full and immediate cost recovery by RGE through a customer surcharge (without offset or deferral including with respect to items unrelated to this Agreement) of all amounts payable to Ginna under this Agreement on a substantially current basis that coincides with the timing of all payments made by RGE to Ginna hereunder~~ the “RSSA surcharge” described in Article 3.2 of the NYPSA Settlement Agreement and Article 3.2 of the FERC Settlement Agreement on the terms and conditions set forth therein, in each case, without modifying or imposing any term or condition in a manner that is adverse in any material respect to a Party as determined in the affected Party’s reasonable discretion (the “Rate Recovery Order”).

The date, if any, upon which ~~each~~**both** of the foregoing conditions precedent set forth in clauses (i) and (ii) above are satisfied or waived by the Parties shall be referred to herein as the "Acceptance Date." **If clauses (i) and (ii) above are satisfied or waived on different dates, the later date shall be the Acceptance Date.**

- (b) Each of the Parties shall use commercially reasonable efforts to take, or cause to be taken, all actions, and to do, or cause to be done, all things necessary, proper or advisable under Applicable Laws to cause the FERC Authorization and the Rate Recovery Order to be obtained as expeditiously as possible. Each of the Parties shall cooperate with each other, and execute and deliver such additional documents, as may be reasonably required in order to achieve the Acceptance Date in accordance with Section 2.1(a) as expeditiously as possible.
- (c) Ginna shall have the right to terminate this Agreement without liability upon ten (10) days' prior written notice if the Acceptance Date is not achieved by ~~July~~**March** 1, 2015-~~2016~~, but such a termination notice may not be issued later than ~~August 1, 2015~~-**April 30, 2016**. Without limiting the immediately foregoing sentence, during the process to obtain the FERC Authorization or the Rate Recovery Order, if a Governmental Authority modifies or imposes any term or condition that is adverse in any material respect to a Party, as determined in the affected Party's reasonable discretion, then such adversely affected Party shall have the right to terminate this Agreement without liability upon ten (10) days' prior written notice, but such a termination notice may not be issued later than thirty (30) days after the date of such ~~final~~ modification or imposition by a Governmental Authority. Without limiting the foregoing sentences of this Section 2.1(c), **either RGE or Ginna shall each** have the right to terminate this Agreement without liability upon ten (10) days' prior written notice if ~~RGE~~**either Party** reasonably determines that the Rate Recovery Order does not ~~provide full and immediate~~**approve** cost recovery to RGE through a customer surcharge (without offset or deferral including with respect to items unrelated to this Agreement) of all amounts payable to Ginna under this Agreement on a substantially current basis that coincides with the timing of all payments made by RGE to Ginna hereunder **by RGE through the "RSSA surcharge" described in Article 3.2 of the NYPSC Settlement Agreement and Article 3.2 of the FERC Settlement Agreement on the terms and conditions set forth therein,** but such a termination notice may not be issued later than thirty (30) days after the date of the issuance by the NYPSC of the Rate Recovery Order; provided, that ~~RGE~~**a Party**'s failure to exercise such termination right within such thirty (30) day period shall be deemed to constitute ~~RGE~~**that Party**'s acknowledgement that the Rate Recovery Order satisfies the condition precedent set forth in Section 2.1(a)(ii)- **with respect to that Party.**
- (d) The Parties expressly acknowledge, except for the payment obligations described in Section 2.1(a), the other rights and obligations of the Parties under this Agreement, including Ginna's obligation to provide the Reliability Support Obligations during the ~~Initial~~ Term, are not contingent upon satisfaction of the

conditions precedent set forth in Section 2.1(a). In consideration for RGE executing this Agreement prior to the Acceptance Date, Ginna expressly agrees to accept the risk that, unless and until this Agreement is terminated in accordance with Section 2.1(c) or otherwise, Ginna may perform the Reliability Support Obligations in accordance with this Agreement without any compensation, or with reduced compensation, if the FERC Authorization or Rate Recovery Order are not received in accordance with Section 2.1(a). Ginna hereby waives to the fullest extent possible any rights under this Agreement and at law and in equity (including under any theory of unjust enrichment, restitution, quantum meruit or similar legal theory or any claim under the Federal Power Act, the New York Public Service Law or the rules and regulations of the NYPSC) to recover the Monthly Fixed Amount from RGE with respect to the Term in the event that this Agreement is terminated without achievement of the Acceptance Date. This Section 2.1(d) shall survive any termination of this Agreement.

2.2 Term

- (a) Reliability Support Services shall be provided commencing at the start of the hour ending 0100 EPT on April 1, 2015 and remain in effect through the hour ending 2400 EPT on ~~September 30, 2018~~, March 31, 2017, unless the Agreement is otherwise terminated pursuant to Section 2.1(c), ~~Section 2.2(e)~~ or Section 9.1 (the ~~“Initial Term”~~).
- (b) This Agreement shall be effective as of the Effective Date and no provision of this Agreement shall terminate earlier than the expiration of the ~~Initial Term~~, except as otherwise provided in Section 2.1(e), ~~Section 2.2(c)~~ or pursuant to the provisions relating to Termination for Default (Section 9.1).
- (e) ~~Upon at least twelve (12) months’ prior written notice, RGE, in its sole discretion, may terminate this Agreement prior to the expiration of the Initial Term. Upon the provision of such written termination notice, RGE no longer shall have the right to require a Necessary Extension pursuant to Section 2.3. Upon the termination date specified in such notice, RGE shall pay to Ginna the Settlement Payment and shall have no further liability to Ginna under this Agreement except for liabilities incurred prior to such termination date.~~

2.3 Necessary Extension

~~RGE may provide written notice to Ginna (“Notice of Necessary Extension”) indicating that RGE has reasonably determined, in consultation with the NYISO and the NYPSC and subject to any order or requirement of the NYPSC, that the continued operation of the RSS Unit is required for reliability purposes after the expiration of the Initial Term and any such extension shall be for a period of eighteen (18) months (“Necessary Extension”). Such Notice of a Necessary Extension shall be provided no later than January 31, 2017. Ginna shall acknowledge receipt of the Notice of Necessary Extension in writing to RGE within five (5) business days of receipt. Upon RGE sending such Notice of Necessary Extension, the Term shall be extended by a period of eighteen (18) months through the hour ending at 2400 EPT on March 31, 2020.~~

2.3 2.4 Survival of Obligations

Notwithstanding the termination of this Agreement, the Parties shall continue to be bound by the provisions of this Agreement that by their nature are intended to, and shall, survive such termination.

ARTICLE III OBLIGATIONS AND OPERATIONS

3.1 Scheduling and Bidding

- (a) Ginna shall cause the RSS Unit and the Facility to be fueled, operated and maintained in accordance with Good Utility Practice and the NYISO Tariffs and with due regard for the reliability purpose of this Agreement.
- (b) Ginna shall interface and comply with NYISO scheduling deadlines and requirements for maintaining the Facility and the RSS Unit as eligible energy, capacity and ancillary services providers, as well as comply with the NYISO's dispatch instructions and the Interconnection Agreement. The Parties acknowledge that the Reliability Support Services shall not include the purchase by RGE of any physical energy-related products or services (energy, capacity or ancillary services); provided that Ginna shall be obligated to provide such energy products and services to the NYISO as described in this Agreement, with the Applicable Revenues derived therefrom to be applied as a credit against RGE's obligation for the Monthly Fixed Amount in accordance with Section 3.2.
- (c) The Parties acknowledge that as a consequence of the provision of the Reliability Support Services under this Agreement, Ginna will need to run the RSS Unit for testing and diagnostic purposes, including for demonstrating the RSS Unit's Dependable Maximum Net Capability (as defined in the NYISO Tariffs) and relative accuracy test audit testing, reactive capability testing, environmental compliance testing, or as otherwise required by plant management for health, safety, environmental or operational reasons. As permitted under the NYISO Tariffs and as warranted by system conditions, the Parties shall coordinate the scheduling of the RSS Unit for these purposes so that RGE will either designate the related RSS Unit as the Day-Ahead Reliability Unit (as defined in the NYISO Tariffs) or commit that RSS Unit pursuant to the Supplemental Resource Evaluation (as defined in the NYISO Tariffs). Such designation shall be coordinated between the Parties so that the most appropriate designation is selected. Ginna shall use reasonable best efforts to perform these tests during periods already scheduled by RGE or the NYISO. Ginna shall coordinate with RGE to schedule any testing required to meet operational requirements. In the event that such testing cannot be accomplished during a period of time the RSS Unit is in operation, Ginna shall provide RGE with at least fourteen (14) days advance written notice requesting written authorization from RGE for Ginna to self-commit the RSS Unit. Authorization by RGE shall not be unreasonably withheld.

3.2 Energy, Capacity and Ancillary Services

- (a) Ginna shall at all times bid the RSS Unit in compliance with NYISO market rules.
- (b) Ginna shall offer the full amount of the RSS Unit's expected hourly output into the NYISO Day-Ahead Energy Market consistent with past practice, subject to compliance with NYISO market rules. Ginna shall comply with any dispatch instruction issued by the NYISO under established NYISO protocols or by RGE under the Interconnection Agreement, to the extent such dispatch instructions are consistent with the operating parameters of the RSS Unit and are in accordance with the NYISO Tariffs. All monthly energy revenues, net of the Scheduling, System Control and Dispatch Charge, paid by the NYISO for the account of the RSS Unit ("Energy Revenues") shall be shared such that RGE shall be entitled to ~~eighty-five~~seventy percent (~~85~~70%) of Energy Revenues and Ginna shall be entitled to ~~fifteen~~thirty percent (~~15~~30%) of Energy Revenues, subject to Ginna's right to retain all Energy Revenues under the circumstances described in Section 5.3(b) and Section 7.1(b); **and the Settlement Cap Amount and the Settlement Floor Amount described in Section 4.3.**
- (c) Ginna shall offer Ginna UCAP into the NYISO ICAP Spot Market Auction; such offers shall be consistent with Ginna's prior offers into such auction and be subject to compliance with NYISO market rules. All monthly capacity revenues paid by the NYISO for the account of the RSS Unit ("Capacity Revenues") shall be shared such that RGE shall be entitled to ~~eighty-five~~seventy (70) percent (~~85~~70%) of Capacity Revenues and Ginna shall be entitled to ~~fifteen~~thirty percent (~~15~~30%) of Capacity Revenues, subject to Ginna's right to retain all Capacity Revenues under the circumstances described in Section 5.3(b) and Section 7.1(b); **and the Settlement Cap Amount and the Settlement Floor Amount described in Section 4.3.**
- (d) RGE shall be entitled to one hundred percent (100%) of any ancillary service (including reactive power) revenues paid for the account of the RSS Unit ("Ancillary Service Revenues"), subject to Ginna's right to retain all Ancillary Service Revenues under the circumstances described in Section 5.3(b) and Section 7.1(b); **and the Settlement Cap Amount and the Settlement Floor Amount described in Section 4.3.**
- (e) Ginna shall use commercially reasonable efforts, consistent with Good Utility Practice, to maximize the Energy Revenues, Capacity Revenues and Ancillary Service Revenues.
- (f) The Applicable Revenues shall be (i) credited against the Monthly Fixed Amount for the applicable delivery month, with any Applicable Revenues in excess of the Monthly Fixed Amount paid to RGE, and (ii) reflected on the monthly invoice relating to such delivery month in accordance with Section 4.1(a).

- (g) The Parties shall credit or otherwise reimburse each other for any under or overpayments of Energy Revenues, Capacity Revenues and/or Ancillary Service Revenues if any such revenues for any month are modified in the NYISO's close-out invoicing process. This provision shall survive termination of this Agreement until the NYISO has issued a final close-out invoice for every month of the Term.
- (h) Ginna (or its affiliates with respect to any portion of the Facility owned by affiliates of Ginna) shall be solely responsible, without contribution from RGE, for any penalties, fines or imbalance charges that relate to the bidding, scheduling and operation of the RSS Unit or the operations of the Facility.
- (i) During the Term, Ginna shall not engage in any hedging activities other than non-speculative hedging activities relating to the projected volumes associated with Ginna's ~~fifteen~~thirty percent (~~15~~30%) share of any Energy Revenues and ~~fifteen~~thirty percent (~~15~~30%) share of any Capacity Revenues. No revenues or losses from any such hedging activities shall be included in the calculation of Energy Revenues, Capacity Revenues or Ancillary Service Revenues. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the provisions of this Section 3.2(i) shall not serve to limit the ability of Ginna's affiliates to enter into any hedging activities so long as Ginna is not obligated under or financially impacted by such hedging activities.
- (j) Each Party shall bear its own bad debt losses under the NYISO Tariffs.

3.3 Generation Attributes

Any Generation Attributes and revenues (including any revenues paid by the NYISO) associated therewith (other than energy, capacity and ancillary services and revenues and losses resulting from hedging activities), whether financially settled or otherwise, shall accrue to RGE's benefit, either as a credit to the Monthly Fixed Amount or as a transfer of title of such Generation Attributes to RGE for the duration of the Term, as Ginna may elect. Ginna shall use commercially reasonable efforts, consistent with Good Utility Practice, to maximize such Generation Attributes and revenues associated therewith.

3.4 Operating Characteristics and Environmental Compliance

Ginna shall have no obligation to cause the RSS Unit to be operated in a manner that would be inconsistent with or in violation of the NYISO Tariffs, NERC, NPCC, NRC or NYSRC rules or would cause Ginna to violate the terms of any applicable environmental regulations, restrictions, orders or decrees or any operating permit, which determination shall be made by Ginna in its reasonable discretion. Ginna shall have the obligation to ensure that the RSS Unit is operated in accordance with the NYISO Tariffs, NERC, NPCC, NRC or NYSRC rules and

consistently with the terms of any applicable environmental regulations, restrictions, orders or decrees or any required operating permits.

3.5 Reactive Power

Except when the RSS Unit is unavailable, the RSS Unit shall provide reactive power consistent with the capability of the RSS Unit and in accordance with the Interconnection Agreement and the procedures specified under the NYISO's Voltage Support Service.

3.6 Retirement of RSS Unit

Ginna shall be entitled to undertake any actions during the Term that are necessary or advisable to retire the RSS Unit after the Term so long as such actions do not unreasonably interfere with, limit or diminish Ginna's provision of the Reliability Support Services during the Term, subject to compliance with the Settlement Agreements.

ARTICLE IV PRICING

4.1 Monthly Fixed Amount

- (a) The billing period during the Term shall be each calendar month. Not later than the twentieth (20th) day of each month, Ginna shall prepare and provide to RGE an invoice showing for the preceding month the Monthly Fixed Amount (prorated for any partial month), the Applicable Revenues, any Unplanned Outage Performance Adjustments, any Force Majeure Event Performance Adjustments and any other amounts payable by either Party under this Agreement, together with reasonable documentation supporting the invoiced amounts (including the relevant NYISO invoices detailing the revenues and charges related to the RSS Unit). RGE shall pay Ginna the Monthly Fixed Amount (net of Applicable Revenues, any Unplanned Outage Performance Adjustments, any Force Majeure Event Performance Adjustments and any other amounts payable by Ginna under this Agreement) for each month during the Term, subject to the Settlement Cap Amount and the Settlement Floor Amount described in Section 4.3.
- (b) In the event that the Acceptance Date is achieved after April 1, 2015, (i) Ginna shall track the net amount that would have been owed to or by Ginna under this Agreement had the Acceptance Date been achieved by April 1, 2015 (*i.e.* the Monthly Fixed Amount, net of Applicable Revenues, any Unplanned Outage Performance Adjustments, any Force Majeure Event Performance Adjustments and any other amounts payable by Ginna under this Agreement) for each calendar month (or any partial month) until the day immediately prior to the Acceptance Date (such cumulative net amount for such calendar months, the "Deferred Collection Amount"), (ii) Ginna shall prepare and provide to RGE as soon as reasonably practicable, but not later than the twentieth (20th) day of the month after the Acceptance Date is achieved, a calculation of the Deferred Collection Amount, together with reasonable documentation supporting such amount and

(iii) RGE or Ginna, as the case may be, shall pay the Deferred Collection Amount, plus interest on the unpaid balance thereof at the NYPSC-published interest rate for customer-provided capital that is applicable to investor-owned utilities, in equal monthly installments as part of Ginna's monthly invoice amounts such that the final monthly installment of the Deferred Collection Amount is scheduled to be paid on the invoice relating to March ~~2017~~**2017, subject to the Settlement Cap Amount and the Settlement Floor Amount described in Section 4.3.** Ginna shall recalculate the Deferred Collection Amount and the monthly installment payments thereof if any component of the

Deferred Collection Amount is subsequently adjusted by any final close-out

invoice issued by the NYISO. For the avoidance of doubt, any Deferred Collection Amount shall not be considered to be part of the Monthly Fixed Amount for purposes of determining any Unplanned Outage Performance Adjustments or any Force Majeure Event Performance Adjustments for periods on and after the Acceptance Date. **RGE will use deferred rate credit amounts (regulatory liabilities) to offset the full amount of the Deferred Collection Amount (including carrying costs), plus credit amounts to offset all RSSA costs that exceed \$2.25 million per month, not to exceed a total use of credits in the amount of \$110 million, applicable through June 30, 2017.**

- (c) In the event that the nuclear waste fee established under the Nuclear Waste Policy Act of 1982 is reinstated during the Term (including the establishment of a fee covering time periods prior to the Term that is payable based upon the operation of the RSS Unit during the Term), the Monthly Fixed Amount shall be increased during the period during the Term in which such nuclear waste fee is in effect by the monthly amount of the nuclear waste fee applicable to the RSS Unit, as calculated based on the actual monthly generation output of the RSS Unit. For the avoidance of doubt, no amount shall be payable by RGE for any such nuclear waste fee that is reinstated after the Term that applies retroactively to the Term.
- (d) In the event that Ginna pays (i) annual property tax payments or (ii) in lieu of tax payments applicable to the Facility ((i) and (ii) defined herein as "Property Taxes") in amounts that are lower than \$8.41 Million in 2015, \$7.25 Million in 2016, or \$7.39 Million in 2017 or \$7.54 Million in 2018, (as appropriately prorated for the partial year 2017), respectively, then the Monthly Fixed Amount shall be decreased during the applicable calendar year in the ~~Initial~~ Term by an amount equal to one-twelfth (1/12) of the difference between the amount set forth above for such year and the paid Property Taxes applicable to such year, **subject to the Settlement Floor Amount described in Section 4.3. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any reduction in Property Taxes for 2017 that is the result of a decision by Ginna to permanently cease delivering energy to the NYISO transmission system and making available capacity to**

the NYISO markets after the expiration of the Term on March 31, 2017 shall not be taken into consideration for purposes of the preceding sentence.

4.2 Capital Expenditures and Operating Costs

In consideration of the Monthly Fixed Amount and the revenues retained by Ginna pursuant to Section 3.2, Ginna shall be responsible, at its sole cost and without additional payment from RGE, for all capital expenditures and operating costs (including fuel), whether or not currently anticipated, required to operate and maintain the RSS Unit in accordance with Good Utility Practice, including, but not limited to the projected expenditures described in Exhibit 65 (if required) and any capital expenditures or operating costs (including fuel) attributable to the enactment of any Applicable Laws, or any changes in existing Applicable Laws, after the date hereof. The Parties acknowledge that the economic terms of this Agreement, including the Fixed Monthly Amount, **the Settlement Cap Amount, the Settlement Floor Amount** and the revenues retained by Ginna pursuant to Section 3.2, have been established based upon an estimate of such capital expenditures and operating costs (including fuel) and the Parties have agreed that Ginna shall bear the risk and retain the benefit of any savings related to estimated capital expenditures and operating costs during the Term.

4.3 Settlement Cap Amount and Settlement Floor Amount

- (a) **Ginna's Total Revenues will be capped so as not to exceed \$510,000,000.00 in the aggregate (the "Settlement Cap Amount"). If Ginna's Total Revenues exceed the Settlement Cap Amount, Ginna shall prepare and issue to RGE an invoice not later than June 20, 2017 for, and Ginna shall make a payment to RGE on or prior to June 30, 2017 of, an amount equal to the difference between Ginna's Total Revenues received and the Settlement Cap Amount. Any such amounts will be preserved by RGE with carrying charges for the benefit of ratepayers. The Settlement Cap Amount will be reduced, dollar-for-dollar, for any Performance Adjustment(s) assessed pursuant to Section 5.3.**
- (b) **Ginna's Total Revenues will be subject to a floor so as not to be less than \$425,000,000.00 in the aggregate (the "Settlement Floor Amount"). If Ginna's Total Revenues are less than the Settlement Floor Amount, Ginna shall prepare and issue to RGE an invoice not later than June 20, 2017 for, and RGE shall make an additional payment to Ginna on or prior to June 30, 2017 of, an amount equal to the difference between Ginna's Total Revenues received and the Settlement Floor Amount. Should ratepayer credits remain, recovery by RGE from ratepayers of the difference between Ginna's Total Revenues and the Settlement Floor Amount will be offset by such credits. To the extent that any such payments are not offset with ratepayer credits, they will be deferred with carrying charges for future recovery by RGE. The Settlement Floor Amount will be reduced, dollar-for-dollar, for any Performance Adjustment(s) assessed pursuant to Section 5.3.**

(c) The Parties shall reimburse each other for any under or overpayments under this Section 4.3 if the Energy Revenues, Capacity Revenues and/or Ancillary Service Revenues for any month are modified in the NYISO's close-out invoicing process, consistent with any adjustments made pursuant to Section 3.2(g), subject to the Settlement Cap Amount and the Settlement Floor Amount described in Section 4.3. This provision shall survive termination of this Agreement until the NYISO has issued a final close-out invoice for every month of the Term.

4.4 Settlement Payment

In the month following the expiration of the Term on March 31, 2017, Ginna shall prepare and issue an invoice to RGE for, and RGE shall pay to Ginna, a one-time payment in the amount of \$11,458,030.70 (the "Settlement Payment"). For the avoidance of doubt, no Settlement Payment shall be owed by RGE if this Agreement is terminated early pursuant to Section 2.1(c) or Section 9.1.

4.5 4.3 Payment of Capital Recovery Balance

(a) If the RSS Unit delivers energy to the NYISO transmission system or makes available capacity to the NYISO markets after seventy-five (75) days following ~~the end of the Term,~~ March 31, 2017, Ginna shall pay RGE the Capital Recovery Balance as more particularly described in this Section ~~4.34.5~~ 4.5(a). The quarterly installment payments of the Capital Recovery Balance shall be calculated according to the following formula:

$$\text{Quarterly Installment Payment} = (i \times B \times (1+i)^n) / ((1+i)^n - 1)$$

Where:

i = the quarterly compounded equivalent of RGE's then-NYPSC approved weighted average cost of capital

B = the applicable Capital Recovery Balance ~~as specified in Exhibit 5~~

n = the total quarters over which the Capital Recovery Balance is to be recovered (i.e., ~~24 if the capital recovery balance is less than \$50M, 28 if the capital recovery balance is greater than \$50M~~ 8, as may be reduced for purposes of any prepayment recalculation as set forth in the following paragraph)

Such payments (i) shall only include periods after the seventy-five (75) day period following ~~the end of the Term~~ March 31, 2017 and (ii) shall be prorated for any partial calendar quarter. Ginna's payment obligation under this Section ~~4.34.5~~ shall survive the termination of this Agreement until the earlier of (i) the

completion of ~~twenty four (24) Quarterly Installment Payments, if the Capital Recovery Balance is less than or equal to \$50 million, or twenty eight (28)~~eight (8) Quarterly Installment Payments, ~~if the capital recovery balance is greater than \$50 million,~~ and (ii) such time that the RSS Unit permanently ceases delivering energy to the NYISO transmission system and making available capacity to the NYISO markets. Ginna shall invoice amounts due by Ginna to RGE under this Section ~~4.34.5(a)~~ on the tenth (10th) business day following the end of each calendar quarter. Ginna shall be entitled to remit prepayments of all or any portion of the Capital Recovery Balance, foregoing the requirement to pay any interest on such amount, and, upon such prepayment, (w) the Capital Recovery Balance shall be decreased by the prepayment amount, (x) Ginna shall not be required to resume making Quarterly Installment Payments until after the equivalent number of prepayment amount quarters has passed, (y) the Quarterly Installment Payment shall be recalculated in accordance with the above formula such that the remaining, post-prepayment Capital Recovery Balance will be recovered over the remaining number of Quarterly Installment Payments after Ginna is required to resume making Quarterly Installment Payments and (z) the remaining Capital Recovery Balance shall continue to accrue interest until repaid.

- (b) If the RSS Unit permanently ceases delivering energy to the NYISO transmission system and making available capacity to the NYISO markets prior to seventy-five (75) days following ~~the end of the Term,~~March 31, 2017, Ginna's compensation and payment obligations set forth in Section ~~4.34.5(a)~~ shall not apply, but such obligations shall be reinstated if the RSS Unit subsequently resumes delivering energy to the NYISO transmission system or making available capacity to the NYISO markets.
- (c) For each hour in a given month in which an Unplanned Outage Performance Adjustment or Force Majeure Performance Adjustment amount is credited against the Monthly Fixed Amount as specified in Section 5.3(b) or Section 7.1(b), the Capital Recovery Balance shall be reduced by the following amount:

$$\text{Capital Recovery Balance Reduction} = (\text{FH}/\text{H}) * (\text{P} - \text{R}) * \text{RATIO}$$

Where:

FH = hours in such month that are subject to an Unplanned Outage Performance Adjustment or a Force Majeure Performance Adjustment

H = total hours in a given month

P = Fixed Monthly Payment

R= The amount of Applicable Revenues retained by Ginna applicable to such hour, pursuant to Section 5.3(b) or Section 7.1(b)

~~RATIO = 4.21% for the period April 1, 2015 – September 30, 2018 and 2.66% for the period October 1, 2018 – March 31, 2020~~

The Capital Recovery Balance Reduction shall never be less than zero (0).

- (d) In the event that Ginna is selected pursuant to Article 4.1 of the NYPSC Settlement Agreement and Article 4.1 of the Settlement Agreement to provide reliability service beyond the Term, the calculation and recovery of the Capital Recovery Balance shall be governed by Article 2.4 of the NYPSC Settlement Agreement and Article 2.4 of the FERC Settlement Agreement.**

4.6 4.4 Billing and Payment

Billing and payment terms for invoices issued under Sections ~~4.14.1, 4.3, 4.4~~ and ~~4.3~~**4.5**(a) shall be as set forth in Exhibit 2.

4.7 4.5 Other Costs

Each Party shall bear its own attorneys' and consultants' fees incurred in connection with the preparation, negotiation, regulatory approval and administration of this Agreement.

4.8 4.6 Books and Records

RGE shall have the right to reasonable access to, review of, and audit of Ginna's books and records for the purpose of proper administration of this Agreement, including the satisfaction of any inquiry of RGE by a Governmental Authority relating to this Agreement, subject to Applicable Laws. Notwithstanding the foregoing, RGE shall not be entitled to review any Safeguards Information (as defined in 10 C.F.R. §73.2) relating to the Facility or any information relating to the Facility that is classified as National Security Information or Restricted Data or information or records concerning the Facility's physical protection, classified matter protection, or material control and accounting program for special nuclear material not otherwise designated as Safeguards Information or classified as National Security Information or Restricted Data (as discussed in 10 C.F.R. § 2.390(d)(1)) unless (a) Ginna determines in its reasonable discretion that RGE has reason to know such information and the requested information is related to the administration of this Agreement and (b) each individual determined by RGE to have reason to know such information satisfies any security checks required by and other regulatory requirements of any Governmental Authority or generally required by the Facility prior to and/or as a condition of being granted access to, review of, or audit of such information.

**ARTICLE V
OUTAGES AND MAINTENANCE; ACCESS**

5.1 Planned Outages

- (a) The schedule of Planned Outages for the Term is set forth in Exhibit 3. Ginna shall provide to RGE a detailed major outage plan and schedule involving maintenance or restoration of the RSS Unit from a Planned Outage. Upon reasonable notice to RGE, Ginna may alter the commencement and/or completion dates for Planned Outages, provided that increasing the duration of a Planned Outage beyond the applicable duration set forth in Exhibit 3 shall be subject to Section 5.3(a).

- (b) Ginna shall be permitted to take the RSS Unit out of operation, or reduce the capability of the RSS Unit, during Planned Outages as permitted by the NYISO Tariffs and policies and the Interconnection Agreement.
- (c) Ginna shall provide RGE a monthly report on the tenth (10th) business day of each successive month of the Term on the current and projected operating status of the RSS Unit and any upcoming items of note, including any forecasted changes to the Planned Outage schedule, substantially in the form set forth in Exhibit 4. Such reports shall not serve to amend Exhibit 3 for purposes of determining Unplanned Outage Performance Adjustments in accordance with Section 5.3.

5.2 Unplanned Outages

In the event of an Unplanned Outage, Ginna shall notify RGE, pursuant to established practice under the NYISO Outage Scheduling Manual, of the nature and expected duration of such Unplanned Outage as soon as practicable and shall keep RGE timely advised of any developments associated with such Unplanned Outage and the estimated timing of the return of the RSS Unit to full capability. Ginna shall use commercially reasonable efforts to remedy and to mitigate the consequences of an Unplanned Outage as soon as reasonably practicable. An Unplanned Outage that occurs and continues for a period of ninety (90) consecutive days or more shall be considered a failure to perform a material obligation under this Agreement by Ginna that is subject to termination for default pursuant to Section 9.1.

5.3 Unplanned Outage Performance Adjustment

- (a) Ginna's failure to return the RSS Unit to service from a Planned Outage within the allotted duration set forth in Exhibit 3 shall result in the excess hours associated with such Planned Outage being treated as an Unplanned Outage and the application of the Unplanned Outage Performance Adjustment as set forth in Section 5.3(b) below, but shall not be deemed a failure to perform a material obligation under this Agreement under Section 9.1 unless Ginna fails to exercise Good Utility Practices and act in accordance with the NYISO Tariffs in returning the RSS Unit to service.
- (b) For each hour (or portion thereof) of an Unplanned Outage that exceeds a total of 195 hours for a calendar year (pro-rated for any partial years) during the Term, (i) an Unplanned Outage Performance Adjustment amount shall be credited against the Monthly Fixed Amount on the monthly invoice that is issued for the month in which such hour occurs and (ii) Ginna shall be entitled to retain, without credit to RGE, the Applicable Revenues relating to such hour.

5.4 Access

RGE shall be entitled to have one individual who shall serve as RGE's representative or agent and who shall not be an employee of Ginna or its affiliates located in a work space at the Facility's training building, with badge access (*i.e.* authorized access at all times without escort) to the training building. Such RGE representative or agent shall be given access to the internet

at such work space, if so requested, but shall not be entitled to access to any computer system of Ginna or its affiliates. RGE shall be entitled to have its on-site representative or agent given visitor (escorted) access to the other areas of the Facility and a reasonable number of additional representatives or agents given visitor (escorted) access to the Facility, subject to such representatives' or agents' satisfaction of any security and regulatory requirements and other protocols generally required of visitors to the Facility and upon reasonable advance notice to Ginna. RGE's representatives and agents shall at all times comply with all requirements and instructions of Facility personnel while present at the Facility, including but not limited to any requirements of any Governmental Authority. Such access to the Facility shall not unreasonably interfere with the operations of the Facility. RGE shall be solely responsible for, and shall indemnify and hold harmless Ginna for, the acts of or any employment related claims or other claims brought by RGE's employees, representatives or agents, including any loss, claim, action or suit for or on account of injury or death of persons, or for damage to, or destruction or economic loss of, property associated with any (a) injury sustained by RGE's employees, representatives or agents or (b) acts or omissions of any of RGE's representatives or agents while present at the Facility's training building or at the Facility.

ARTICLE VI REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES

6.1 Representations and Covenants of Ginna

Ginna hereby represents and warrants to RGE as of the ~~Effective~~ **Restatement** Date and covenants to RGE that:

- (a) Ginna is a limited liability company duly organized, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the State of Maryland. Ginna has full limited liability company power and authority to own and lease all of the properties and assets it now owns and leases and to carry on its business as now being conducted. To the knowledge of Ginna, Ginna is in substantial compliance with Applicable Laws.
- (b) Ginna has full power and authority (limited liability company and otherwise) to execute, deliver and perform this Agreement (including execution, delivery and performance of the operative documents to which Ginna is a party) and to consummate the transactions contemplated herein, subject to the conditions set forth in this Agreement. The execution and delivery by Ginna of this Agreement and the operative documents, and the consummation of the transactions will not violate Ginna's organizational documents or other obligations, and no other proceedings on the part of Ginna are necessary with respect thereto and no additional consents or approvals other than those provided for herein are required. This Agreement has been duly and validly executed and delivered by Ginna and constitutes the legal, valid and binding obligation of Ginna enforceable against Ginna in accordance with its terms except as the same may be limited by bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, arrangement, fraudulent conveyance, moratorium or other similar laws relating to or affecting the rights of creditors generally, or by general equitable principles (regardless of whether enforcement is considered in a proceeding at law or in equity). Ginna shall take, and cause to

be taken, all action that is necessary for Ginna to complete the actions to be completed by Ginna pursuant to this Agreement.

- (c) There are no known issues, defects, problems or other issues involving or related to the ownership and/or operation of the RSS Unit and the Facility as a whole that would preclude or prevent Ginna from fully performing its duties and obligations in accordance with this Agreement.
- (d) The calculation of operating and maintenance costs and capital expenditures anticipated to be incurred by Ginna over the Term included in the cost of service materials and supporting data referenced in the affidavit submitted by Ginna to FERC in connection with its application for approval of this Agreement, attached hereto as Exhibit ~~6.5~~, (i) have been prepared by Ginna in good faith consistent with its historical practices, (ii) represent Ginna's best estimate of such costs consistent with historical practices and the projected operations of the Facility during the Term and (iii) are consistent with the prevailing cost estimates and operating plans presented to the board of directors of Constellation Energy Nuclear Group, LLC on December 9, 2014.
- (e) No citations, fines, or penalties have been asserted against Ginna under any Environmental Law or by the regulatory authority or jurisdiction in which Ginna operates. Ginna has not received notice (verbal or written) of, nor is it aware of, any person making allegations that all or any part of the RSS Unit or the Facility as a whole, or the use, operation or ownership thereof, are in violation of any applicable Environmental Law.
- (f) Ginna shall keep in force all existing policies of insurance, or comparable replacement policies of insurance at existing levels of coverage related to the RSS Unit and the Facility, including the ownership and operation thereof, throughout the duration of the Term.
- (g) Ginna is in compliance with or has performed all agreements, representations and warranties, and conditions in this Agreement that are required to be performed and complied with by Ginna before or coincident with the ~~Effective~~**Restatement** Date.

6.2 Representations and Covenants of RGE

RGE hereby represents and warrants to Ginna as of the ~~Effective~~**Restatement** Date and covenants that:

- (a) RGE is a corporation duly organized, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the State of New York, with full corporate power and authority to own property and carry on its business as now being conducted.
- (b) RGE has full power and authority (corporate and otherwise) to execute, deliver and perform this Agreement (including execution, delivery and performance of the operative documents to which RGE is a party) and to consummate the

transactions contemplated herein, subject to the conditions set forth in this Agreement. The execution and delivery by RGE of this Agreement and the operative documents, and the consummation of the transactions will not violate RGE's organizational documents or other obligations, and no other corporate proceedings on the part of RGE are necessary with respect thereto and no additional consents or approvals other than those provided for herein are required. This Agreement has been duly and validly executed and delivered by RGE and constitutes the legal, valid and binding obligation of RGE enforceable against RGE in accordance with its terms except as the same may be limited by bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, arrangement, fraudulent conveyance, moratorium or other similar laws relating to or affecting the rights of creditors generally, or by general equitable principles (regardless of whether enforcement is considered in a proceeding at law or in equity). RGE shall take, and cause to be taken, all corporate action that is necessary for RGE to complete the actions to be completed by RGE pursuant to this Agreement.

- (c) RGE is in compliance with or has performed all agreements, representations and warranties, and conditions in this Agreement that are required to be performed and complied with by RGE before or coincident with the ~~Effective~~Restatement Date.

ARTICLE VII FORCE MAJEURE EVENTS

7.1 Force Majeure Event

- (a) Any delay or failure in the performance by a Party, other than payment of undisputed amounts, shall be excused if and to the extent caused by the occurrence of a Force Majeure Event. A "Force Majeure Event" means acts of God, fires, floods, explosion, riots, wars, unusually inclement weather, sabotage, vandalism, terrorism, terroristic acts, restraint of government, governmental acts, changes in laws, regulations or orders or injunctions, labor strikes, breakage or accident of machinery or equipment resulting from an event or circumstance that would otherwise constitute a Force Majeure Event hereunder, and other like events or circumstances that are beyond the reasonable control of the Party affected thereby, despite such Party's commercially reasonable efforts to prevent, avoid, delay, or mitigate the effect of such acts, events or occurrences, and which events or the effects thereof are not attributable to a Party's negligence or failure to perform its obligations under this Agreement. In no event shall "Force Majeure Event" include economic hardship of any kind.
- (b) RGE's obligation to pay Ginna the Monthly Fixed Amount shall not be affected by the occurrence of a Force Majeure Event, but the amount of the Monthly Fixed Amount may be adjusted for a Force Majeure Outage pursuant to this Section 7.1(b). For each hour (or portion thereof) of a Force Majeure Outage (other than due to a Force Majeure Event with respect to the transmission or distribution systems of RGE or by equipment owned by RGE) that exceeds a total of seven

hundred twenty (720) hours for the ~~Initial~~ Term (such hour defined herein as an “Excess Force Majeure Outage Hour”), (i) a Force Majeure Performance Adjustment amount shall be credited against the Monthly Fixed Amount on the monthly invoice that is issued for the month in which such hour occurs and (ii) Ginna shall be entitled to retain, without credit to RGE, the Applicable Revenues relating to such hour. ~~Upon the commencement of a Necessary Extension, the amount of Force Majeure Outage hours that can occur prior to the occurrence of an Excess Force Majeure Outage Hour shall be reset to the higher of (i) an amount equal to (x) seven hundred twenty (720) hours minus (y) the number of hours during which Force Majeure Outage(s) occurred during the Initial Term and (ii) three hundred and nine (309) hours.~~

- (c) The Party unable to perform by reason of a Force Majeure Event shall use commercially reasonable efforts to remedy its inability to perform and to mitigate the consequences of the Force Majeure Event as soon as reasonably practicable; provided that (i) no Party shall be required to settle any strike, walkout, lockout, or other labor dispute on terms which, in the Party’s sole discretion, are contrary to its interests and (ii) the Party unable to perform shall, as soon as practicable, advise the other Party of the reason for its inability to perform, the nature of any corrective action needed to resolve performance, and its efforts to remedy its inability to perform and to mitigate the consequences of its inability to perform and shall advise the other Party of when it estimates it will be able to resume performance of its obligations under this Agreement.

ARTICLE VIII LIMITATIONS OF LIABILITY

8.1 Indemnification, Limitation of Liability

- (a) Each Party shall release, indemnify and hold harmless the other Party and its directors, managers, officers, agents, contractors, sub-contractors and representatives against and from any and all loss, claims, actions or suits, including costs and attorneys’ fees, both at trial and on appeal, resulting from, or arising out of or in any way, the negligence or willful misconduct related to this Agreement or breach of this Agreement of the indemnifying Party and its directors, managers, officers, agents, contractors, sub-contractors and representatives, including, but not limited to, any loss, claim, action or suit, for or on account of injury or death of persons, or for damage to, or destruction or economic loss of, property, excepting only such loss, claim, action or suit as may be caused solely by the negligence or willful misconduct or breach of this Agreement of the Party seeking indemnification or its directors, managers, officers, agents, contractors, sub-contractors or representatives.
- (b) Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed to create any duty to, any standard of care with reference to, or any liability to any person not a party to this Agreement. No undertaking by one Party to the other under any provision of this

Agreement shall constitute the dedication of that Party's system or any portion thereof to the other Party or to the public.

- (c) Neither Party shall be liable to the other for incidental, consequential, special, indirect, multiple or punitive damages, loss of revenue, profits, fees or costs arising out of, or connected in any way to the performance or non-performance of a Party under this Agreement, whether arising from contract, tort (including negligence), strict liability or otherwise, unless such damages are the result of a Party's gross negligence or willful misconduct and except as may be included in the calculation of Unplanned Outage Performance Adjustments or Force Majeure Event Performance Adjustments.

ARTICLE IX REMEDIES

9.1 Termination for Default

If any Party shall fail to perform any material obligation imposed on it by this Agreement, and that obligation has not been suspended pursuant to the terms of this Agreement, the other Party, at its option, may terminate this Agreement by giving the Party in default written notice setting out specifically the circumstances constituting the default and declaring its intention to terminate this Agreement. If the Party receiving the notice does not within thirty (30) days after receiving the notice, remedy the default, the Party not in default shall be entitled by a further written notice to terminate this Agreement; provided that, if the default is reasonably expected to take more than thirty (30) days to remedy, the defaulting Party shall notify the non-defaulting Party of its plan for remedying the default and must take actions to begin remedying the default within thirty (30) days. The Party not in default shall have a duty to mitigate damages. If RGE terminates this Agreement pursuant to this Section 9.1, then no ~~Settlement~~ **Default Termination** Payment shall be owed to Ginna except that any unpaid balance of any Deferred Collection Amount shall, at RGE's option, (a) continue to be repaid by RGE in monthly installments in accordance with Section 4.1(b) or (b) be repaid in full upon termination of this Agreement. If Ginna terminates this Agreement pursuant to this Section 9.1, its damages shall be limited to the ~~Settlement~~ **Default Termination** Payment. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Section 9.1, termination of this Agreement pursuant to this Section 9.1 shall be without prejudice to the right of any Party to collect any amounts due to it prior to the time of termination.

9.2 Waiver

The failure to exercise any remedy or to enforce any right provided in this Agreement or Applicable Law shall not constitute a waiver of such remedy or right or of any other remedy or right. A Party shall be considered to have waived any remedies or rights only if the waiver is in writing and signed by the Party against whom such waiver is to be enforced.

9.3 Beneficiaries

Except as is specifically set forth in this Agreement, nothing in this Agreement, whether express or implied, confers any rights or remedies under, or by reason of, this Agreement on any persons other than the Parties and their respective successors and assigns, nor is anything in this Agreement intended to relieve or discharge the obligations or liability of any third-party, nor give any third-person any rights of subrogation or action against any Party.

ARTICLE X MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

10.1 Assignment

Neither Party shall assign its rights or delegate its duties under this Agreement without the prior written consent of the other Party, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld, conditioned, or delayed; provided that, upon the occurrence of a Market or Regulatory Change, RGE may assign this Agreement to one or more parties that are the beneficiaries identified in the appropriate Governmental Authority's determination of benefits, subject to Ginna's approval of such party's creditworthiness, which shall not be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed and need not be equivalent to RGE's creditworthiness. Any such assignment or delegation made without such written consent shall be null and void. Upon any assignment made in compliance with this section, the assigning Party shall be relieved of liability under this Agreement and this Agreement shall inure to and be binding upon the successors and assigns for the assigning Parties. Without limiting the foregoing, Ginna may not sell or transfer the assets comprising substantially all of the RSS Unit unless the purchaser or transferee agrees in writing with RGE to assume all rights, obligations and liabilities under this Agreement.

10.2 Market or Regulatory Change

Upon the occurrence of a Market or Regulatory Change, the Parties shall modify the economic terms of this Agreement (which may include adjusting the Monthly Fixed Amount, the revenue sharing percentages set forth in Section 3.2, ~~Exhibit 1 and/or Exhibit 5,~~ **the Default Termination Payment, the Settlement Payment and/or the Capital Recovery Balance**, as applicable) to preserve, to the maximum extent possible, each Party's economic bargain under this Agreement. Such modifications shall only serve to reallocate, but not limit, the economic costs covered by this Agreement in accordance with the appropriate Governmental Authority's determination of benefits. Any additional revenues received by Ginna due to a Market or Regulatory Change that do not constitute Ginna's entitlement to Energy Revenues and/or Capacity Revenues described in Section 3.2(b) and (c) shall be for RGE's account and shall be credited against the Monthly Fixed Amount, with any such revenues in excess of the Monthly Fixed Amount paid to RGE. Upon notice of a Market or Regulatory Change by one Party to another, the Parties shall negotiate in good faith to determine the required modifications to this Agreement.

10.3 Cost Recovery

- (a) In the event that, after the Rate Recovery Order is obtained, the NYPSC or other Governmental Authority subsequently disallows the recovery from RGE's customers of any amounts paid to Ginna under this Agreement due to the breach or inaccuracy of Ginna's representations and warranties set forth in Section 6.1(d), the Parties shall negotiate in good faith to address the basis for such disallowance and to mitigate the economic impact of such disallowance on RGE. If the Parties fail to agree upon and implement a mechanism or adjustment to this Agreement to fully mitigate the economic effects of such disallowance on RGE, then Ginna shall refund to RGE any such disallowed amount to the extent such disallowance was not a direct result of the willful misconduct or gross negligence of RGE. Any such refund shall be payable by Ginna, at Ginna's option, by means of a cash payment to RGE or by crediting such amount against the next succeeding Fixed Monthly Amount(s).
- (b) If the NYPSC or other Governmental Authority ~~implements a rate recovery mechanism that does not allow~~ cost recovery by RGE to fully recover through a customer surcharge (without offset or deferral including with respect to items unrelated to this Agreement) amounts paid to Ginna under this Agreement on a substantially current basis that coincides with the payments made by RGE to Ginna hereunder, then through the "RSSA surcharge" as described in Article 3.2 of the NYPSC Settlement Agreement and Article 3.2 of the FERC Settlement Agreement, then if the RSSA is not terminated pursuant to its terms, (i) the Monthly Fixed Amount shall be immediately reduced to be equal to the monthly amount that RGE is ~~reasonably anticipated~~ authorized to recover through such ~~the RSSA~~ surcharge on a substantially current basis ~~and~~ (ii), plus the amount of rate credits that RGE applies to offset the costs under this Agreement pursuant to Article 3.2 of the NYPSC Settlement Agreement and Article 3.2 of the FERC Settlement Agreement; and (ii) additionally, the Parties shall modify the other economic terms of this Agreement (which may include adjusting ~~Exhibit 1 and/or Exhibit 5,~~ the Default Termination Payment, the Settlement Payment and/or the Capital Recovery Balance, as applicable) to allow for payment of the unpaid balance of the Monthly Fixed Amount as such amounts are reasonably anticipated to be recovered by RGE through such surcharge (which may include payments made to Ginna after the expiration or termination of the Term) or offset by the rate credit amounts that RGE applies to offset the costs under this Agreement pursuant to Article 3.2 of the NYPSC Settlement Agreement and Article 3.2 of the FERC Settlement Agreement. Such modifications shall only serve to modify the timing of, but not limit, the amounts payable to Ginna by RGE under this Agreement. Ginna shall be entitled to financing or carrying costs in connection with such modifications only to the extent that RGE is permitted by the NYPSC or other Governmental Authority to recover such financing or carrying costs through such surcharge.

10.4 Notices and Correspondence

Except as otherwise expressly provided in this Agreement, permitted by NYISO rules or required by law, all invoices, notices, consents, requests, demands, approvals, authorizations and other communications provided for in this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be sent by email, followed by personal delivery, certified mail, return receipt requested, facsimile transmission, or by recognized overnight courier service, to the intended Party at such Party's address set forth below. All such notices shall be deemed to have been duly given and to have become effective: (i) upon receipt if delivered in person or facsimile; (ii) two (2) days after having been delivered to a courier for overnight delivery; or (iii) seven (7) days after having been deposited in the United States mail as certified or registered mail, return receipt requested, all fees pre-paid, addressed to the applicable addresses set forth below. Each Party's address for notices shall be as follows (subject to change by notice in accordance with the provisions of this Section):

TO GINNA:

R.E. Ginna Nuclear Power Plant, LLC
100 Constellation Way, Suite 500C
Baltimore, MD 21202
Attention: Senior Vice President
Telephone No.: 410-470-5133
Facsimile No.: 410-470-2600

With copies to:

R.E. Ginna Nuclear Power Plant, LLC
4300 Winfield Road
Warrenville, IL 60555
Attn: Brad Fewell, Senior Vice President and General Counsel
Telephone No.: 630-657-3752

And

R.E. Ginna Nuclear Power Plant, LLC
c/o Exelon Generation Company, LLC
100 Constellation Way, Suite 500
Baltimore, MD 21202
Attention: General Counsel
Telephone No.: 410-470-3121
Facsimile No.: 410-470-2600

TO RGE:

Rochester Gas and Electric Corporation
James A. Carrigg Center, 18 Link Drive
P.O. Box 5224
Binghamton, New York 13902-5224
Attention: David Kimiecik, Vice President - Energy Services
Telephone No.: (607) 762-8701

with a copy to:

Iberdrola USA Management Corporation
99 Washington Ave, Suite 2018
Albany, NY 12210
Attention: Noelle Kinsch, Deputy General Counsel
Telephone No.: (518) 434-4977

10.5 Parties' Representatives

Each Party to this Agreement shall ensure that throughout the Term duly appointed representatives are available for communications between the Parties. The representatives shall have full authority to deal with all day-to-day matters arising under this Agreement. Ginna and RGE shall be entitled to assume that the duly appointed representatives of the other Party are at all times acting within the limits of the authority given by the representatives' Party.

10.6 Taxes

- (a) Each Party shall use reasonable efforts to implement the provisions of and to administer this Agreement insofar as it applies to the Reliability Support Services in accordance with the intent of the Parties to minimize all taxes, so long as neither Party is materially adversely affected by such efforts. If any of the transactions hereunder are to be exempted from or not subject to any particular taxes, the Parties shall cooperate in good faith to promptly provide each other with all necessary documentation to evidence and qualify for such exemption.
- (b) RGE shall pay or cause to be paid all taxes, if any, on or with respect to the sale of the Reliability Support Services (other than ad valorem, franchise or income taxes, or similar taxes measured by or based upon net income, which are related to the sale of the Reliability Support Services and are, therefore, the responsibility of Ginna). In the event Ginna is required by Applicable Law to remit or pay taxes which are RGE's responsibility hereunder, RGE shall promptly reimburse Ginna for such taxes. If RGE is required by Applicable Law to remit or pay taxes which are Ginna's responsibility hereunder, RGE may deduct the amount of any such taxes from the sums due to Ginna under this Agreement. Nothing shall obligate or cause a Party to pay or be liable to pay any taxes for which it is exempt under Applicable Law.

10.7 Independent Parties

Nothing contained herein shall constitute the Parties as joint venturers, partners, employees or agents of one another, and neither Party shall have the right or power to bind or obligate the other. Nothing herein will be construed as making either Party responsible or liable for the obligations and undertakings of the other Party. Except for provisions herein expressly authorizing a Party to act for another, nothing in this Agreement shall constitute a Party as a legal representative or agent of the other Party, nor shall a Party have the right or authority to assume, create or incur any liability or any obligation of any kind, express or implied, against or in the name or on behalf of the other Party unless otherwise expressly permitted by such other Party. Except as otherwise expressly provided in this Agreement, no Party undertakes to perform any obligation of the other Party.

10.8 Choice of Law

This Agreement shall be interpreted and enforced in accordance with the laws of the State of New York, excluding any choice of law provisions or rules which may direct the application of the laws of another jurisdiction.

10.9 Effect of Invalidation, Modification, or Condition

Each covenant, condition, restriction, and other term of this Agreement is intended to be, and shall be construed as, independent and severable from each other covenant, condition, restriction, and other term. If any covenant, condition, restriction, or other term of this Agreement is held to be invalid or otherwise modified or conditioned by any Governmental Authority, the invalidity, modification, or condition of such covenant, condition, restriction, or other term shall not affect the validity of the remaining covenants, conditions, restrictions, or other terms hereof. If an invalidity, modification, or condition has a material impact on the rights and obligations of the Parties, the Parties shall make a good faith effort to renegotiate and restore the benefits and burdens of this Agreement as they existed prior to the determination of the invalidity, modification, or condition. If the Parties fail to reach agreement, then the Party whose rights and obligations have been adversely affected may, in its sole discretion, terminate this Agreement.

10.10 Amendments

Any amendments or modifications of this Agreement shall be made only in writing and duly executed by all Parties to this Agreement. Such amendments or modifications shall become effective only after the Parties have received any authorizations required from FERC for the amendment or modification. The Parties agree to negotiate in good faith any amendments to this Agreement that are needed to reflect the intent of the Parties as expressed herein and to reflect any changes to the design of the New York markets that are approved by FERC from time to time.

10.11 Dispute Resolution

Except where otherwise provided for in this Agreement, disputes under this Agreement shall be submitted to representatives of each Party for resolution. If the dispute remains

unresolved after forty-five (45) days, either Party may pursue any legal remedies available to it by law.

10.12 Injunctive Relief

In addition to any other remedy to which a Party may be entitled by reason of the other Party's breach of this Agreement, the Party not in default shall be entitled to seek temporary, preliminary and permanent injunctive relief from any court of competent jurisdiction restraining the other Party from committing or continuing any breach of this Agreement.

10.13 Entire Agreement

This Agreement consists of the terms and conditions set forth herein, as well as the Exhibits hereto, which are incorporated by reference herein and made a part hereof. This Agreement contains the entire agreement between the Parties with respect to the matters set forth herein and supersedes all prior negotiations, undertakings, agreements and business term sheets.

10.14 Confidentiality

Information provided by any Party to the other pursuant to this Agreement may, at the Party's discretion, be provided subject to the terms of the Confidentiality Agreement dated January 23, 2014, between Exelon Generation Company, LLC, an affiliate of Ginna, and RGE ("Confidentiality Agreement"). RGE may disclose information provided under Section 4.64.8 to the NYPSC and Staff pursuant to regulatory requests received in the ordinary course of RGE's business, and shall use at least the same degree of care (which in no event shall be less than reasonable care) in connection with demands or requests for the disclosure of any confidential information of Ginna as RGE uses to protect its own similar confidential information in connection with similar regulatory requests. Disclosure of such information pursuant to regulatory requests not received in the ordinary course of business shall remain subject to all of the terms and conditions of Section 4 of the Confidentiality Agreement. All information provided to either Party in connection with the negotiations regarding this Agreement shall remain subject to the provisions of such Confidentiality Agreement.

10.15 Communications; Press Releases

The Parties shall reasonably cooperate and coordinate with each other with regard to any communications in respect of the Reliability Support Services or the transactions contemplated by this Agreement with state and local community organizations and groups or the public generally, whether through press releases or otherwise. Each Party agrees to inform the other Party with respect to all such matters and shall promptly provide the other Party with copies of any communications sent, delivered or received; provided that nothing in the foregoing shall operate to prevent a Party from complying with Applicable Law or the requirements of any Governmental Authority concerning such matters.

10.16 FERC Proceedings

Ginna agrees to not seek a reliability must-run agreement (or similar agreement) from FERC with respect to the RSS Unit during that would become effective prior to the end of the

Term. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Parties agree that Ginna will seek the FERC Authorization in accordance with Section 2.1.

10.17 Standard of Review

The standard of review for any modifications to this Agreement requested by a Party will be subject to the “public interest” standard of review set forth in United Gas Pipe Line Company v. Mobile Gas Service Corporation, 350 U.S. 332 (1956), and Federal Power Commission v. Sierra Pacific Power Company, 350 U.S. 348 (1956). See also Morgan Stanley Capital Group Inc. v. Public Util. Dist. No. 1 of Snohomish County, 554 U.S. 527 (2008). The standard of review for any modifications to this Agreement requested by a non-party to this Agreement or initiated by FERC will be the most stringent standard permissible under applicable law. See NRG Power Mktg., LLC v. Maine Pub. Utils. Comm’n, 558 U.S. 165 (2010).

10.18 Counterparts

This Agreement may be executed in several counterparts, each of which is an original and all of which constitute one and the same instrument. Facsimile or PDF signature shall be an acceptable form of execution.

10.19 Amendment and Restatement

From and after the Restatement Date, this Agreement amends and restates in its entirety the Existing Agreement and the Existing Agreement shall thereafter be of no further force and effect.

(SIGNATURE PAGE FOLLOWS)

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have executed this Agreement as of the **Restatement Date, but effective as of the** Effective Date.

ROCHESTER GAS AND ELECTRIC CORPORATION

By: _____

Name:

Title:

By: _____

Name:

Title:

R.E. GINNA NUCLEAR POWER PLANT, LLC

By: _____

Name:

Title:

Exhibit 1
to
Amended and Restated Reliability Support Services Agreement
Between Rochester Gas and Electric Corporation and R.E. Ginna Nuclear Power Plant,
LLC

Settlement Default Termination Payment

<u>Default Termination-Announcement Month</u>	<u>Termination-Date</u>	<u>Settlement Default Termination Payment</u>
Apr-15	Apr-16	\$ 43,604,186.91
May-15	May-16	\$ 41,036,836.08
Jun-15	Jun-16	\$ 38,089,342.20
Jul-15	Jul-16	\$ 35,479,110.20
Aug-15	Aug-16	\$ 32,846,981.24
Sep-15	Sep-16	\$ 30,044,584.25
Oct-15	Oct-16	\$ 27,613,402.77
Nov-15	Nov-16	\$ 24,610,419.03
Dec-15	Dec-16	\$ 22,006,732.50
Jan-16	Jan-17	\$ 18,671,045.00
Feb-16	Feb-17	\$ 14,092,324.63
Mar-16	Mar-17	\$ 11,458,030.70
Apr-16	Apr-17	\$ 55,220,372.72
May-16	May-17	\$ 55,045,483.09
Jun-16	Jun-17	\$ 52,185,430.19
Jul-16	Jul-17	\$ 49,030,608.43
Aug-16	Aug-17	\$ 45,845,195.62
Sep-16	Sep-17	\$ 42,255,186.15
Oct-16	Oct-17	\$ 39,033,331.04
Nov-16	Nov-17	\$ 35,381,359.62
Dec-16	Dec-17	\$ 32,096,975.27
Jan-17	Jan-18	\$ 29,066,148.93
Feb-17	Feb-18	\$ 24,487,197.52
Mar-17	Mar-18	\$ 21,164,488.51
Apr-17	Apr-18	\$ 17,344,839.27
May-17	May-18	\$ 14,510,011.86
Jun-17	Jun-18	\$ 10,685,706.68
Jul-17	Jul-18	\$ 7,282,019.75
Aug-17	Aug-18	\$ 3,844,384.87

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Billing and Payment

Billing Period. As designated in Section ~~4.14.1, 4.3, 4.4~~ or Section ~~4.34.5~~(a), as applicable.

Timeliness of Payment. Unless otherwise agreed by the Parties in a transaction contemplated by this Agreement, all invoices under this Agreement shall be due and payable in accordance with each Party's invoice instructions on or before the later of the last day of each month, or tenth (10th) day after receipt of the invoice or, if such day is not a business day, then on the next business day. Each Party shall make payments by electronic funds transfer, or by other mutually agreeable method(s), to the account designated by the other Party. Any amounts not paid by the due date will be deemed delinquent and will accrue interest at the Interest Rate, such interest to be calculated from and including the due date to but excluding the date the delinquent amount is paid in full.

Interest Rate. "Interest Rate" shall mean, for any date, the lesser of (a) the per annum rate of interest equal to the prime lending rate as may from time to time be published in *The Wall Street Journal* under "Money Rates" on such day (or if not published on such day on the most recent preceding day on which published), plus two percent (2%) and (b) the maximum rate permitted by applicable law.

Disputes and Adjustments of Invoices. A Party may, in good faith, dispute the correctness of any invoice or any adjustment to an invoice, rendered under this Agreement or adjust any invoice for any arithmetic or computational error within twelve (12) months of the date the invoice, or adjustment to an invoice, was rendered. In the event an invoice or portion thereof, or any other claim or adjustment arising hereunder, is disputed, payment of the undisputed portion of the invoice shall be required to be made when due, with notice of the objection given to the other Party. Any invoice dispute or invoice adjustment shall be in writing and shall state the basis for the dispute or adjustment. Payment of the disputed amount shall not be required until the dispute is resolved. Upon resolution of the dispute, any required payment shall be made within two (2) Business Days of such resolution along with interest accrued at the Interest Rate from and including the due date to but excluding the date paid. Inadvertent overpayments shall be returned upon request or deducted by the Party receiving such overpayment from subsequent payments, with interest accrued at the Interest Rate from and including the date of such overpayment to but excluding the date repaid or deducted by the Party receiving such overpayment. Any dispute with respect to an invoice is waived unless the other Party is notified in accordance with this section within twelve (12) months after the invoice is rendered or any specific adjustment to the invoice is made. If an invoice is not rendered within twelve (12) months after the close of the month during which performance of a transaction contemplated by this Agreement occurred, the right to payment for such performance is waived.

Netting of Payments. The Parties hereby agree that they shall discharge mutual debts and payment obligations due and owing to each other on the same date pursuant to all transactions applicable to this Agreement through netting, in which case all amounts owed by each Party to the other Party for the purchase and sale of products during the monthly billing period under this Agreement, interest, and payments or credits, shall be netted so that only the excess amount remaining due shall be paid by the Party who owes it.

Payment Obligation Absent Netting. If no mutual debts or payment obligations exist and only one Party owes a debt or obligation to the other during the monthly billing period, that Party shall pay such sum in full when due.

US Federal Tax Forms. Each Party to this Agreement shall upon signing provide the other Party a completed W-9.

Dollars. Unless otherwise stated all dollars in this Agreement refer to U.S. Currency.

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Planned Outage Schedule

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~~CONTAINS~~
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~~CRITICAL ENERGY INFRASTRUCTURE INFORMATION~~
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~~AS DEFINED IN 18 C.F.R. § 388.113 (2014)~~
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Monthly Report
R.E. Ginna Nuclear Power Plant LLC

Historical Information	Past Month Daily Average	Past Month	Year-to-Date
Generation (Historical)			
Gross Generation			
Net Generation			
Station Service			
Station Service as % of Generation			
Fuel Consumption			
Availability (Historical)			
Equivalent Availability Factor			
Capacity Factor			

Projections	Current Month	[+ 1]	[+ 2]	[+ 3]	[+ 4]	[+ 5]	[+ 6]
Generation							
Gross Generation							
Net Generation							
Station Service							
Station Service as % of Generation							

Fuel Consumption							
Availability							
Equivalent Availability Factor							
Capacity Factor							

Planned Outage Schedule (current month plus next six months):

Other Items of Note:

Exhibit 5
to
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Capital Recovery Balance

Date of Agreement Expiration or Termination	Capital Recovery Balance
Apr 16	\$ 47,171,814.97
May 16	\$ 44,988,890.37
Jun 16	\$ 42,439,709.70
Jul 16	\$ 40,240,300.88
Aug 16	\$ 38,031,964.40
Sep 16	\$ 35,677,111.03
Oct 16	\$ 33,717,350.03
Nov 16	\$ 31,204,487.16
Dec 16	\$ 29,110,989.71
Jan 17	\$ 26,273,952.76
Feb 17	\$ 22,208,206.23
Mar 17	\$ 20,140,090.97
Apr 17	\$ 64,581,539.99
May 17	\$ 65,266,227.71
Jun 17	\$ 63,315,124.89
Jul 17	\$ 61,077,979.80
Aug 17	\$ 58,820,241.06
Sep 17	\$ 56,171,301.91
Oct 17	\$ 53,905,809.85
Nov 17	\$ 51,227,769.98
Dec 17	\$ 48,937,658.66
Jan 18	\$ 46,977,224.76
Feb 18	\$ 43,517,902.17
Mar 18	\$ 41,379,654.89
Apr 18	\$ 38,813,619.77
May 18	\$ 37,435,063.36
Jun 18	\$ 35,188,156.89
Jul 18	\$ 33,540,151.32
Aug 18	\$ 32,135,490.83
Sep 18	\$ 30,952,564.39
Mar 20	\$ 39,773,599.49

Exhibit 6

to

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Ginna Affidavit

[Attached]

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
BEFORE THE
FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION

R.E. Ginna Nuclear Power Plant, LLC)
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Docket No. Nos. ER15-~~1047~~-000

STATE OF MARYLAND

BALTIMORE CITY

ATTESTATION

I, the undersigned, being duly sworn, depose and say that I am ~~Senior Vice-President and~~ Chief Nuclear Officer for ~~R.E. Ginna Nuclear Power Plant, LLC (“Ginna” or the “Company”)~~ of Exelon Nuclear, a division of Exelon Generation, LLC, and that to the best of my knowledge, information and belief, the cost of service materials and supporting data submitted by ~~Ginna as part of this filing~~ R.E. Ginna Nuclear Power Plant, LLC (“Ginna”) in support of the Existing Agreement are true, correct, accurate and complete, and current representations of ~~the Company~~ Ginna’s actual historical costs for the years 2011, 2012 and 2013, and estimated costs for the years 2014, 2015, 2016, ~~2017~~ and ~~2018~~ 2017.

~~Mary G. Korsniak~~ Bryan Hanson
~~Senior Vice-President and Chief Nuclear Officer,~~
Exelon Nuclear, a division of Exelon Generation,
LLC

Subscribed and sworn to before me
this 13th day of ~~February~~ October, 2015

Notary Public

SUBJECT: Filing by ROCHESTER GAS AND ELECTRIC CORPORATION

Amendments to Schedule P.S.C. No. 18- Electricity

Original Leaf No. 11.0.1
Fifth Revised Leaf No. 45.4
Sixth Revised Leaf No. 39
Seventh Revised Leaf No. 26.1.1
Eighth Revised Leaves Nos. 37.1.1, 45.1.1
Ninth Revised Leaf No. 30

Suspension Supplement Nos. 10, 12, 14

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First Revised Leaf No. 11.0.1
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Seventh Revised Leaf No. 45.4
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Reliability Support Services Surcharge
Statement No. 1 (RSSS)

Amendments to Schedule P.S.C. No. 19 - Electricity

Original Revised Leaf No. 243.2
Second Revised Leaves Nos. 81.1.1, 243.1
Fifth Revised Leaves Nos. 161.2.1
Sixth Revised Leaves Nos. 187.3, 210.5
Seventh Revised Leaves Nos. 166.4, 190.4, 194.2,
195.2
Eighth Revised Leaves Nos. 164.1.1, 166.1.1, 189
Ninth Revised Leaves Nos. 164.4, 218
Tenth Revised Leaves Nos. 174.3, 190.3, 210.2
Eleventh Revised Leaves Nos. 161.1, 187, 194,
Twelfth Revised Leaves Nos. 161.2, 176
Thirteenth Revised Leaf No. 210
Fourteenth Revised Leaves Nos. 164, 166, 190, 224
Sixteenth Revised Leaves Nos. 174

Suspension Supplement Nos. 44, 47, 50

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166.1.1
Twelfth Revised Leaf No. 218
Thirteenth Revised Leaves Nos. 174.3, 190.3,
210.2
Fourteenth Revised Leaves Nos. 161.1, 187, 194
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Sixteenth Revised Leaves Nos. 210, 224
Seventeenth Revised Leaves Nos. 164, 166, 190
Nineteenth Revised Leaf No. 174

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