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## VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

Hon. Michelle L. PhillipsSecretary to the CommissionNew York Department of Public Service3 Empire State PlazaAlbany, New York 12223-1350

Re: Case No. 19-E-0538, Minor Rate Filing of Village of Freeport to Increase Its Annual Revenues by about \$1,259,574 or 4.65% - Deferral of Effective Date of Rate Increase

Dear Secretary Phillips:

On August 7, 2019, the Village of Freeport, Freeport Electric ("Freeport" or "Village") filed with the Commission draft revised tariff leaves for PSC No. 9, Electricity containing revisions to rates and charges as contained in the following:

Leaf No. 57, Revision 4 Leaf No. 58, Revision 5 Leaf No. 59, Revision 3 Leaf No. 60, Revision 5 Leaf No. 62, Revision 3 Leaf No. 64, Revision 3

The tariff amendments were filed with an effective date of January 1, 2020. Newspaper publication regarding this filing was made in accordance with the Commission's regulations in the local newspaper. In consultations with Staff and to allow for a thorough review of the

Village's application, the Village filed a series supplements to postpone the effective date. The current effective date of the Village's tariff amendments is May 1, 2020.

In light of the tragedy that all New Yorkers are addressing with the coronavirus pandemic and for the support of Village residents, the Village respectfully requests the deferral of the effective date of the rate increase to October 1, 2020, with a "make-whole" provision. The Village requests that the "make-whole" provision include the amounts that Freeport would have collected in the increased rates for May 1, 2020 through September 30, 2020, deferring only that amount for collection via a surcharge to be levied on Village bills from May 1, 2021 through April 30, 2022.

Respectfully submitted,

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