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Jacklyn A. Brilling, Secretary  
State of New York, Public Service Commission  
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Albany, NY 12223

Re: Case 11-G-0280 Proceeding on Motion of the Commission as to the Rate, Changes,  
Rules and Regulations of Corning Natural Gas Corporation for Gas Service

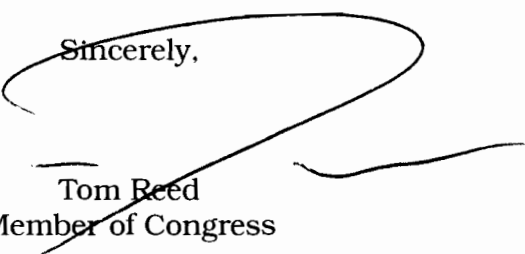
Dear Secretary Brilling,

I have been informed that the commission is considering Affiliate Standards for Corning Natural Gas Corporation. Corning Natural Gas Corporation (CNGC), headquartered within my Congressional District, distributes low-cost, locally-produced gas to homes and businesses in its approved service area. This low cost gas is beneficial to residential owners and a distinct competitive advantage for business customers who are faced with a struggling economy. The substantial capital construction program of Corning Natural Gas (the core utility), and its Leatherstocking subsidiary, are providing employment and economic opportunities in our service territory and throughout the Southern Tier.

CNGC's subsidiary, Leatherstocking, is actively acquiring franchises in order to bring natural gas service to unserved areas. The availability of low-cost, locally-produced gas in communities previously neglected will assuredly have a positive impact on affected communities, the regional economy and the Corning area.

Corning is a significant regional asset whose growth can be a powerful driver for economic development over a broad swath of upstate New York. I ask that the final Affiliate Standards for CNGC encourage the growth and expansion of both CNGC and its Leatherstocking Subsidiary.

Sincerely,

  
Tom Reed  
Member of Congress

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cc: Corning Natural Gas

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