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Mary L. Cottrell, Secretary
Department of Telecommunications and Energy
One South Station, 2nd Floor
Boston, MA 02110

Re: NSTAR Electric/NSTAR Gas, D.T.E. 05-85

Dear Ms. Cottrell:

In compliance with the Department of Telecommunications and Energy's (the "Department") December 30, 2005 order (the "Order") approving the Settlement Agreement (the "Settlement Agreement") in the above-referenced matter, enclosed for filing are an original and 5 copies of the tariffs of Boston Edison Company ("Boston Edison"), Cambridge Electric Light Company ("Cambridge"), Commonwealth Electric Company ("Commonwealth") (together, "NSTAR Electric"), and NSTAR Gas Company ("NSTAR Gas", collectively with NSTAR Electric, the "Companies"). The NSTAR Electric tariffs are the final versions of the pro-forma tariffs filed with the Companies' December 6, 2005 Settlement Agreement (Exhibit NSTAR-3 (Settlement), Exhibit NSTAR-10 (Settlement) and Exhibit NSTAR-17 (Settlement)), each with an effective date of January 1, 2006. In addition, the Companies are filing herewith two revised NSTAR Gas tariffs in compliance with the Department's Order and with Chapter 140 of the Acts of 2005.

A complete listing of the tariffs included in this filing is set forth below:

BOSTON EDISON COMPANY	**Rate**	**M.D.T.E. No.**
Default Service	DS	103L
Default Service Adjustment	DSA	104D
Residential	R-1	120E
Residential Assistance	R-2	121E
Residential Space Heating	R-3	122E
Optional Residential Time of Use	R-4	123E
General Service	G-1	130E
General Service	G-2	131E
General Service Time of Use	G-3	132E
Optional General Time of Use	T-1	133E

Time of Use Rate	T-2	134E
MWRA	WR	135E
Street Lighting	S-1	140E
Street Lighting Energy Rate	S-2	141E
Outdoor Lighting Rate	S-3	142E

CAMBRIDGE ELECTRIC LIGHT COMPANY	**Rate**	**M.D.T.E. No.**
Default Service	DS	203L
Default Service Adjustment	DSA	204D
Residential	R-1	220F
Residential Assistance	R-2	221F
Residential Space Heating	R-3	222F
Residential Assistance Space Heating	R-4	223F
Optional Residential Time-of-Use	R-5	224F
Optional Residential Space Heating Time-of-Use	R-6	225F
General (Non-Demand)	G-0	230F
General	G-1	231F
Large General Time-of-Use/Secondary Service	G-2	232F
Large General Time-of-Use/13.8kV Service	G-3	233F
Optional General Time-of-Use	G-4	234F
Commercial Space Heating (Closed)	G-5	235F
Optional General Time-of-Use (Non-Demand)	G-6	236F
Standby Service/13.8kV	SB-1	237G
Maintenance Service/13.8kV	MS-1	238G
Supplemental Service/13.8kV	SS-1	239E
Outdoor Lighting	S-1	240F
Street Lighting-Customer Owned	S-2	241E

COMMONWEALTH ELECTRIC COMPANY	**Rate**	**M.D.T.E. No.**
Default Service	DS	303L
Default Service Adjustment	DSA	304D
Residential	R-1	320E
Residential Assistance	R-2	321E
Residential Space Heating	R-3	322E
Optional Residential Time of Use	R-4	323E
Controlled Water Heating (Closed)	R-5	324E
Optional Residential Time-of-Use	R-6	325E
General Service	G-1	330E
General Service	G-2	331E
General Service Time of Use	G-3	332E
General Power (Closed)	G-4	333E
Commercial Space Heating (Closed)	G-5	334E
All Electric School (Closed)	G-6	335E
Optional General Time-of-Use	G-7	336E

Outdoor Lighting	S-1	340E
Street Lighting-Customer Owned	S-2	341F

NSTAR GAS COMPANY	**Rate**	**M.D.T.E. No.**
Residential Assistance	R-2	421A
Residential Space Heating	R-4	423A

These final tariffs have been changed from the pro-forma tariffs filed on December 6, 2005 in the following manner:

- each tariff has a filing date of January 3, 2006;

- Boston Edison Company Rate WR (M.D.T.E. No. 135E) has been revised to reflect the correct Transition Cost Adjustment of (0.281) cents per kilowatt-hour, consistent with the response to Information Request DTE-3-8 in this proceeding;

- Boston Edison Company Rate S-1 (M.D.T.E. No. 140E) has been revised on page 4 to correct a transcription error in the Basic Monthly Distribution rate for High Pressure Sodium Vapor Lamps, 25,000 Lumens. The correct rate is $23.92, instead of $23.90, as included in the pro-forma version of this tariff filed with the Settlement Agreement;

- Cambridge Electric Light Company Rate G-3 (M.D.T.E. No. 233F) has been revised on page 1 to correct a transcription error. The Delivery Services rate should reflect a "Distribution (Energy)" charge of (0.003) cents per kilowatt-hour, consistent with Exhibit NSTAR-12 (Settlement), page 8; and

- the Residential Assistance rates for Boston Edison Company (Rate R-2, M.D.T.E. No. 121E), Cambridge Electric Light Company (Rate R-2, M.D.T.E. No. 221F and Rate R-4, M.D.T.E. No. 223F), Commonwealth Electric Company (Rate R-2, M.D.T.E. No. 321E and Rate R-4, M.D.T.E. No. 323E) and NSTAR Gas Company (Rate R-2, M.D.T.E. No. 421A and Rate R-4, M.D.T.E. No. 423A) have each been revised to comply with Chapter 140 of the Acts of 2005, which requires residential assistance rates to be available to customers who are eligible for means-tested public benefit programs for which eligibility does not exceed 200 percent of the federal poverty level (rather than the 175 percent threshold previously in effect).

In addition, in accordance with the terms of paragraph 2.14 of the Settlement Agreement, NSTAR Gas files herewith its Gas Adjustment Factor ("GAF") effective January 1, 2006, pursuant to: (1) Standard Cost of Gas Adjustment Regulations, 220 C.M.R. 6.00 et seq.; and (2) NSTAR Gas' Seasonal Cost of Gas Adjustment Clause ("CGAC"), Rate Schedule M.D.T.E. No. 401.

The adjusted peak season GAF will be applicable to all customers taking Default Service for a four-month period commencing with the billing month of January 2006 (the "Settled 2005-06 Peak GAF"). The GAF to be applied to customer bills is $1.3955 per therm (approximately 4 percent lower than the GAF approved by the Department on November 1, 2005). This revision implements the Settlement Agreement's provision to cap the GAF and defer recovery of costs that result in CGA rates that are set no higher than 140 percent of those previously in effect on November 1, 2004 (the approved GAF was $0.9968 per therm).[1] Please see table below:

Description		Approved GAF
Approved GAF @ 11/1/04		$ 0.9968
GAF Cap Adjuster per Settlement (Paragraph 2.14)	40%	0.3987
GAF Settlement Rate Cap effective 1/1/06		$ 1.3955

NSTAR Gas proposes the following Bill Message for its January 2006 bills:

> Beginning with your January bill, your rate reflects a decrease in the cost of gas. For any gas usage after January 1, your cost of gas decreased from $1.4570 per Therm to $1.3955 per Therm. If your bill contains any gas usage prior to January 1, your cost of gas will reflect pricing from both periods.

NSTAR Gas will continue to provide the Department with monthly information in the form of its reconciliation account update reports filed pursuant to the Department's regulations. NSTAR Gas would be pleased to provide additional information regarding its GAF upon request.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

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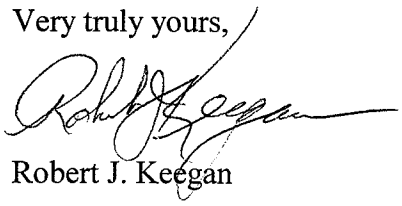
1 Amounts deferred will be collected in the GAF over a twelve-month period beginning May 1, 2006, with a carrying charge based upon the Prime Rate.

Very truly yours,



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