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Rosemary Chiavetta, Secretary
Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission
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400 North Street, 2nd Floor North
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**Re: Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission v. Peoples Natural Gas Company LLC
Docket No. R-2018-3006818
2019 Base Rate Case Filing**

Dear Secretary Chiavetta:

Enclosed for filing please find the 2019 Base Rate Case Filing (“Filing”) of Peoples Natural Gas Company LLC (“Peoples Natural Gas” or the “Company”). The Filing consists of Retail Tariff Gas – PA PUC No. 47, Supplier Tariff Gas – PA PUC No. S-3, responses to filing requirements and standard data requests, and supporting direct testimony and exhibits. In Retail Tariff Gas – PA PUC No. 47, Peoples Natural Gas proposes to combine the retail rates and tariffs of its Peoples and Equitable Divisions and proposes an overall net distribution rate increase of \$94.9 million per year. In Supplier Tariff Gas – PA PUC No. S-3, Peoples Natural Gas proposes to combine the supplier tariff provisions of its Peoples and Equitable Divisions. The proposed Retail and Supplier Tariffs are included in Volume 6 of the Filing.

If the Company’s entire request is approved, the total bill for a Peoples Division residential customer using 86 Mcf per year would increase from \$74.24 to \$84.73 per month or by 14.1%. The total bill for a Peoples Division commercial customer using 238 Mcf per year would increase from \$150.79 to \$172.56 per month or by 14.4%. The total bill for a Peoples Division industrial customer using 3,224 Mcf per year would increase from \$1,684.32 to \$1,957.16 or by 16.2%. The total bill for an Equitable Division residential customer using 86 Mcf per year would increase from \$70.79 to \$84.73 per month or by 19.7%. The total bill for an Equitable Division commercial customer using 238 Mcf per year would increase from \$158.79 to \$172.56

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per month or by 8.7%. The total bill for an Equitable Division industrial customer using 3,224 Mcf per year would decrease from \$2,140.64 to \$2,050.63 per month or by 4.2%.

The Filing is organized into the following twelve (12) volumes:

Volume 1 – Exhibits 1 through 4.

Volume 2 – Exhibit 5.

Volume 3 – Exhibits 6 through 10.

Volume 4 – Exhibit 11.

Volume 5 – Exhibits 12 through 13.

Volume 6 – Exhibit 14.

Volume 7 – Exhibits 15 through 16.

Volume 8 – Exhibits 17 through 19.

Volume 9 – Peoples Statement Nos. 1 through 9.

Volume 10 – Peoples Statement No. 10.

Volume 11 – Peoples Statement No. 11.

Volume 12 – CONFIDENTIAL Materials.

Pursuant to 52 Pa. Code § 1.37(a)(5), also enclosed is a CD containing electronic versions of the documents contained in Volumes 1 through 11. Volume 12 is not included on the CD because it contains confidential documents.

By this Letter, Peoples Natural Gas respectfully requests that, in accordance with the standard operating procedure of the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission, Volume 12 be afforded confidential treatment and not be placed in a public folder or on the Commission's website. Volume 12 is being provided in a sealed envelope marked CONFIDENTIAL.

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In accordance with 52 Pa. Code § 1.24(b)(1), please enter the appearances of the following counsel for Peoples Natural Gas:

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The above-listed counsel are authorized to accept service on behalf of Peoples Natural Gas in this matter. To the extent that service must be limited to one address, please serve the undersigned counsel from Post & Schell, P.C. Nevertheless, the Company requests that electronic service be made upon all listed counsel.

As required by 52 Pa. Code § 53.45(b)(4)(viii), please be advised that Peoples Natural Gas has elected to use the "Alternative Method" of customer notification. Under the Alternative Method, customers will receive notice of the rate request by bill insert.

Copies of the Filing have been served upon the Office of Consumer Advocate, the Office of Small Business Advocate, and the Commission's Bureau of Investigation & Enforcement as indicated on the attached Certificate of Service. Copies also have been served on Commission personnel as indicated below. Further, Peoples Natural Gas has served copies of the Filing on the active parties from Peoples Natural Gas's and Equitable Gas Company's previous base rate cases at Docket Nos. R-2012-2285985 and R-2008-2029325, respectively.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

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Respectfully submitted,



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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing has been served upon the following persons, in the manner indicated, in accordance with the requirements of 52 Pa. Code § 1.54 (relating to service by a participant).

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