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RE: Kenneth C. Springirth v. National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation
Docket No. R-00061493C0001

Dear Secretary McNulty:

Enclosed, for filing, are an original and three (3) copies of National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation's Answer to Complaint in the above-referenced proceeding.

As indicated on the certificate of service, a copy as been provided to the Complaint in the manner indicated.

Respectfully submitted,

John H. Isom

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**BEFORE THE
PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION**

Kenneth C. Springirth

v.

National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation

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Docket No. R-00061493C0001

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ANSWER TO COMPLAINT

TO THE PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION:

National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation ("Distribution") hereby answers the above-captioned Complaint of Kenneth C. Springirth, as follows:

ANSWER

1. The averments of Paragraph No. 1 of the Complaint are admitted.
2. The averments of Paragraph No. 2 of the Complaint are admitted.
3. The averments of Paragraph No. 3 of the Complaint are admitted.
4. Distribution hereby answers each of the separately-designated subparagraphs of Paragraph No. 4 of the Complaint.

A. It is admitted that Mr. Springirth opposes Distribution's proposed rate increase that was filed with the Commission on May 31, 2006, at Docket No. R-00061493.

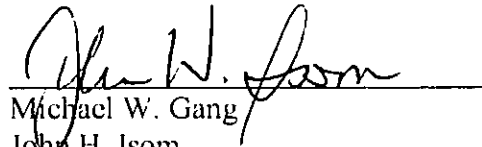
B. In response to subparagraph 4.B of the Complaint, it is admitted that on May 31, 2006, Distribution filed Supplement No. 61 to Tariff Gas — Pa. P.U.C. No. 9, together with supporting data. There, Distribution proposed to increase rates effective July 30, 2006, to produce an increase in annual operating revenues of approximately \$25,892,000 per year based upon a future test year ending January 31, 2007 as adjusted for ratemaking purposes. It is admitted further that,

in Supplement No. 61, Distribution has proposed to increase the monthly customer charge for residential customers from \$12.00 to \$20.64. Distribution clearly requires the substantial rate increase to be allowed a reasonable opportunity to achieve a fair rate of return. As show on Exhibit No. 102, Schedule 2, Sheet 1, Distribution's projected overall rate of return at present rates for the future test year ending January 31, 2007, as adjusted for ratemaking purposes, is 4.48%. At proposed rates, Distribution would have a reasonable opportunity to achieve an overall fair rate of return of 9.48%.

5. The averments of Paragraph No. 5 of the Complaint are requests for relief to which no response is required.

WHEREFORE, for all of the foregoing reasons, it is respectfully requested that the Complaint of Kenneth C. Springirth be denied.

Respectfully submitted,



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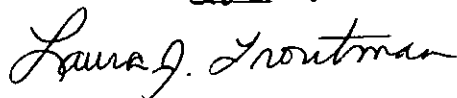
STATE OF NEW YORK :
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COUNTY OF ERIE :

Eric H. Meinel, being duly sworn according to law, deposes and states that he is General Manager of the Rates and Regulatory Affairs Department of National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation, that he is authorized to and does make this affidavit for National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation; and that the facts set forth in the foregoing Answer to Complaint are true and correct to the best of his knowledge, information and belief; and that he expects National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation to be able to prove the same at any hearing hereof.



Eric H. Meinel

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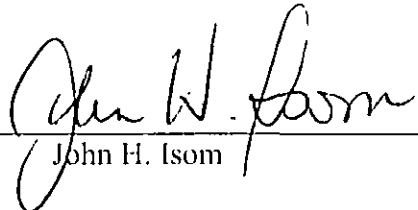
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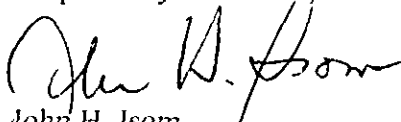
RE: Helen M. Elletson v. National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation
Docket No. R-00061493C0002

Dear Secretary McNulty:

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**BEFORE THE
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Helen M. Elletson

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National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation ("Distribution") hereby answers the above-captioned Complaint of Helen M. Elletson, as follows:

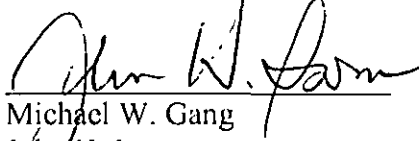
ANSWER

1. The averments of Paragraph No. 1 of the Complaint are admitted.
2. The averments of Paragraph No. 2 of the Complaint are admitted except that the complete name of the Respondent is National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation.
3. The averments of Paragraph No. 3 of the Complaint are admitted.
4. In response to Paragraph No. 4 of the Complaint, it is admitted that Ms. Elletson opposes Distribution's proposed increase in rates that was filed on May 31, 2006 at Docket Number R-00061493.
5. The averments of Paragraph No. 5 of the Complaint are requests for relief to which no response is required. By way of further response, however, information concerning the personal financial circumstances of Ms. Elletson and her husband is not reasonably available to Distribution and, therefore, such averments are denied.

WHEREFORE, for all of the foregoing reasons, National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation respectfully requests that the Complaint of Helen M. Elletson be denied.

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Respectfully submitted,



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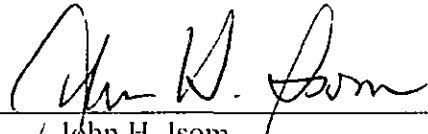
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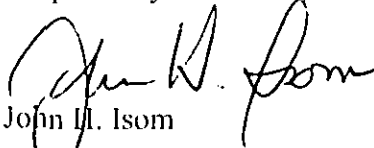
RE: Irwin A. Popowsky v. National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation
Docket No. R-00061493C0003

Dear Secretary McNulty:

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Respectfully submitted,


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**BEFORE THE
PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION**

Irwin A. Popowsky

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ANSWER TO COMPLAINT

TO THE PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION:

National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation ("Distribution") hereby answers the above-captioned Complaint of Irwin A. Popowsky, as follows:

ANSWER

1. The averments of Paragraph No. 1 of the Complaint are admitted.
2. In response to the averments of Paragraph No. 2 of the Complaint, it is admitted that Mr. Popowsky's Complaint is being filed against the rate increase proposed by National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation on May 31, 2006, at Docket No. R-00061493.
3. The averments of Paragraph No. 3 of the Complaint are admitted.
4. Distribution hereby answers each of these separately-designated subparagraphs of Paragraph No. 4 of the Complaint, as follows:
 - A. The averments of Subparagraph 4.A of the Complaint admitted.
 - B. The averments of Subparagraph 4.B of the Complaint are admitted.
 - C. The averments of Subparagraph 4.C of the Complaint are admitted.
 - D. The averments of Subparagraph 4.D of the Complaint are admitted.
 - E. The averments of Subparagraph 4.E of the Complaint are conclusions of law to which no response is required.

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F. The averments of Subparagraph 4.F of the Complaint are conclusions of law to which no response is required. By way of further response, however, such averments are denied. To the contrary, rates, rules and regulations proposed by Distribution in Supplement No. 61 to Tariff Gas — Pa. P.U.C. No. 9 are just and reasonable, comply fully with all applicable provisions of the Public Utility Code and will produce only a reasonable opportunity to achieve a fair rate of return.

G. The averments of Subparagraph 4.G of the Complaint are conclusions of law to which no response is required. By way of further response, however, such averments are denied. To the contrary, the rates, rules and regulations contained in Supplement No. 61 are not unreasonably discriminatory, comply fully with all applicable provisions of the Public Utility Code, and are consistent with sound ratemaking principles and public policy.

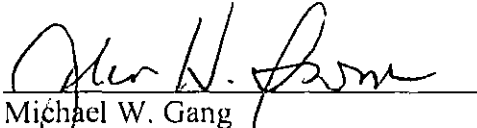
H. The averments of Subparagraph 4.H of the Complaint consist of speculation about possible conclusions of law based upon a “preliminary examination and review.” As such, they are not averments of fact. Therefore, no response is required. By way of further response, however, Distribution’s present rates, rules and regulations are just and reasonable and comply with all applicable provisions of the Public Utility Code and sound rate making principles except that present rates they are inadequate to produce a fair rate of return.

I. The averments of Subparagraph 4.I of the Complaint are a statement of the subjective intent of the Consumer Advocate in filing of the Complaint. As such, they are not averments of fact and, therefore, no response is required.

5. The averments of Paragraph No. 5 of the Complaint are requests for relief to which no response is required.

WHEREFORE, for all of the foregoing reasons, it is respectfully requested that the Complaint of Irwin A. Popowsky, consumer advocate, be denied.

Respectfully submitted,



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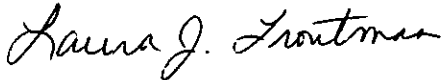
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COUNTY OF ERIE :

Eric H. Meini, being duly sworn according to law, deposes and states that he is General Manager in the Rates and Regulatory Affairs Department of National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation, that he is authorized to and does make this affidavit for National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation; and that the facts set forth in the foregoing Answer to Complaint are true and correct to the best of his knowledge, information and belief; and that he expects National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation to be able to prove the same at any hearing hereof.


Eric H. Meini

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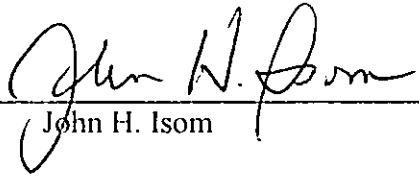
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RE: Patricia Cartwright v. National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation
Docket No. R-00061493C0004

Dear Secretary McNulty:

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BEFORE THE
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Patricia Cartwright

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ANSWER TO COMPLAINT

TO THE PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION:


National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation ("Distribution") hereby answers the above-captioned Complaint of Patricia Cartwright, as follows:

ANSWER

1. The averments of Paragraph No. 1 of the Complaint are admitted.
2. The averments of Paragraph No. 2 of the Complaint are admitted except that the complete name of the Respondent is National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation.
3. The averments of Paragraph No. 3 of the Complaint are admitted.
4. In response to Paragraph No. 4 of the Complaint, it is admitted that Ms. Cartwright opposes Distribution's proposed rate increase that was filed with the Commission on May 31, 2006, at Docket No. R-00061493. It is admitted further that Ms. Cartwright wishes the Commission to hold a public hearing concerning the proposed increase in rates in Dubois, Pennsylvania. At this time, however, because this proceeding is in its early stages, Distribution has not been able to determine whether there is sufficient public interest in the proposed increase in rates in Dubois, Pennsylvania, to justify holding a public input hearing in that city. Therefore, such averments are denied at this time.
5. The averments of Paragraph No. 5 of the Complaint are requests for relief for which no response is required.

WHEREFORE, for all of the foregoing reasons, it is respectfully requested that the Complaint of Patricia Cartwright be denied.

Respectfully submitted,



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Eric H. Meini, being duly sworn according to law, deposes and states that he is General Manager of the Rates and Regulatory Affairs Department of National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation, that he is authorized to and does make this affidavit for National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation; and that the facts set forth in the foregoing Answer to Complaint are true and correct to the best of his knowledge, information and belief; and that he expects National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation to be able to prove the same at any hearing hereof.

Eric H. Meini
Eric H. Meini

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before me this 26th day of June, 2006

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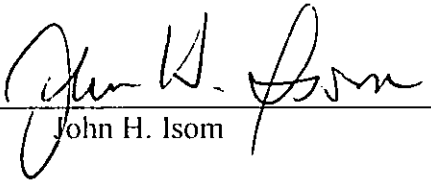
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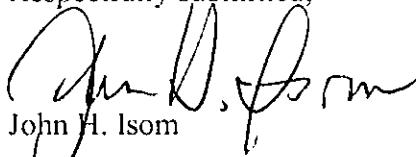
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**RE: Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission v.
National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation
Docket No. R-00061493C0005**

Dear Secretary McNulty:

Enclosed, for filing, are an original and three (3) copies of the Answer of National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation to the Complaint of the Small Business Advocate in the above-referenced proceeding.

Respectfully submitted,



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BEFORE THE
PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

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Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission,
William R. Lloyd, Jr.,
Small Business Advocate

Docket No. R-00061493C0005

v.

National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation

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ANSWER OF NATIONAL FUEL GAS DISTRIBUTION CORPORATION TO THE
COMPLAINT OF THE SMALL BUSINESS ADVOCATE

TO THE PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION:

National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation ("Distribution") hereby answers the above-captioned Complaint of the Small Business Advocate as follows:

1. The averments of Paragraph No. 1 of the Complaint are admitted.
2. The averments of Paragraph No. 2 of the Complaint are admitted.
3. The averments of Paragraph No. 3 of the Complaint are admitted.
4. The averments of Paragraph No. 4 of the Complaint are admitted.
5. The averments of Paragraph No. 5 of the Complaint are conclusions of law to

which no response is required.

6. In response to Paragraph No. 6 of the Complaint, it is admitted that on May 31, 2006, Distribution filed with the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission ("Commission") Supplement No. 61 to Tariff Gas – Pa. P.U.C. No. 9, together with supporting data. There, Distribution proposed an increase in base rates designed to produce approximately \$25.8 million of additional operating revenues based upon a future test year ending January 31, 2007, an increase of approximately 6.1%. It is admitted further that Distribution's proposed rates are

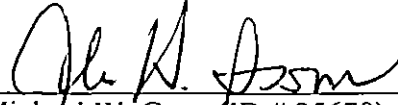
designed to produce an overall rate of return of 9.48% and 12.25% on common equity. The remaining averments of Paragraph No. 6 of the Complaint are conclusions of law to which no response is required. By way of further response, however, such averments are denied. To the contrary, materials filed with Supplement No. 61 fully justify the proposed increase in rates and demonstrate that the proposed rates, rules and regulations are just and reasonable, are not unduly discriminatory and comply with all applicable provisions of the Public Utility Code. Further, as demonstrated by the materials submitted in support of Supplement No. 61, present rates are just and reasonable, are not unduly discriminatory and comply with all applicable provisions of the Public Utility Code except that they are inadequate to provide to Distribution a reasonable opportunity to achieve a fair rate of return.

7. The averments of Paragraph No. 7 of the Complaint are conclusions of law to which no response is required. By way of further response, however, such averments are denied. To the contrary, as demonstrated by the materials filed in support of Supplement No. 61, Distribution's proposed rates, rate design and revenue allocation are just and reasonable, are not unduly discriminatory and comply fully with all applicable provisions of the Public Utility Code including Sections 1301 and 1304, 66 Pa.C.S. §§ 1301 and 1304. Further, Distribution's proposed rates, rate design and cost and revenue allocations are consistent with appropriate public policy and sound ratemaking principles.

8. The averments of Paragraph No. 8 of the Complaint are requests for relief to which no response is required.

WHEREFORE, for all the foregoing reasons, National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation respectfully requests that the Complaint of William R. Lloyd, Jr., Small Business Advocate, be denied.

Respectfully submitted,



Michael W. Gang (ID # 25670)

John H. Isom (ID # 16569)

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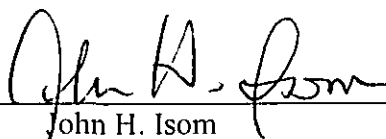
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**RE: Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission, Carol Cole v.
National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation
Docket No. R-00061493C0006**

Dear Secretary McNulty:

Enclosed, for filing, are an original and three (3) copies of National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation's Answer to Complaint in the above-referenced proceeding.

Respectfully submitted,

John H. Isom

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BEFORE THE
PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

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Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission,
Carol Cole

Docket No. R-00061493C0006

v.

National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation

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ANSWER TO COMPLAINT

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TO THE PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION:

National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation ("Distribution") hereby answers the above-captioned Complaint of Carol Cole as follows:

1. The averments of Paragraph No. 1 of the Complaint are admitted.
2. The averments of Paragraph No. 2 of the Complaint are admitted except that the complete name of the Respondent is National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation.
3. The averments of Paragraph No. 3 of the Complaint are admitted.
4. Distribution responds to each of the separately designated sub-paragraphs of Paragraph No. 4 of the Complaint as follows:

A. In response to sub-paragraph 4.A. of the Complaint, it is admitted that Ms. Cole opposes Distribution's proposed rate increase.

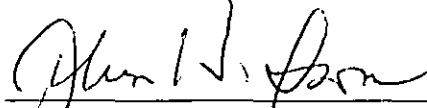
B. The averments of sub-paragraph 4.B. of the Complaint are denied. To the contrary, the bill sent to Ms. Cole in June, 2006 by Distribution for gas service was not pro rated. The usage on which the bill was calculated, however, was estimated.

5. The remaining averments of the Complaint are requests for relief to which no response is required.

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WHEREFORE, for all the foregoing reasons, National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation respectfully requests that the Complaint of Carol Cole be denied.

Respectfully submitted,



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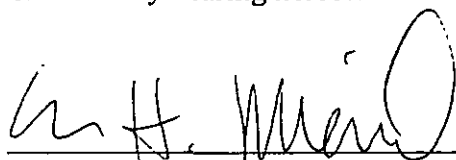
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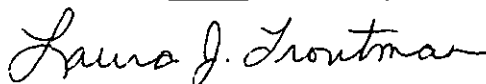
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SS.

Eric H. Meinl, being duly sworn according to law, deposes and states that he is General Manager of the Rates and Regulatory Affairs Department of National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation, that he is authorized to and does make this affidavit for National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation; and that the facts set forth in the foregoing Answer to Complaint are true and correct to the best of his knowledge, information and belief; and that he expects National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation to be able to prove the same at any hearing hereof.


Eric H. Meinl

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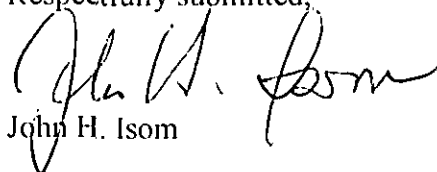
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**RE: Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission, Gregg Heindol v.
National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation
Docket No. R-00061493C0007**

Dear Secretary McNulty:

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Respectfully submitted,


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Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission,
Gregg Heinold

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Docket No. R-00061493C0007

v.

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National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation

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ANSWER TO COMPLAINT

ORIGINAL

TO THE PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION:

National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation ("Distribution") hereby answers the above-captioned Complaint of Gregg Heinold as follows:

1. The averments of Paragraph No. 1 of the Complaint are admitted.
2. The averments of Paragraph No. 2 of the Complaint are admitted except that the complete name of the Respondent is National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation.
3. The averments of Paragraph No. 3 of the Complaint are admitted.
4. Distribution responds to each of the separately designated sub-paragraphs of Paragraph No. 4 of the Complaint as follows:

A. In response to sub-paragraph 4.A. of the Complaint, it is admitted that Mr. Heinold opposes Distribution's proposed rate increase.

B. In response to sub-paragraph 4.B. of the Complaint, it is admitted that on May 31, 2006, Distribution filed with the Commission Supplement No. 61 to Tariff Gas - Pa. P.U.C. No. 9, together with supporting data. There, Distribution proposed increases in rates designed to produce approximately \$25.892 million in additional annual

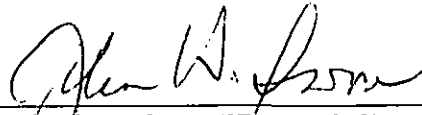
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operating revenues. It is admitted further that, in Supplement No. 61, Distribution proposed a revenue decoupling mechanism in order to remove disincentives for natural gas distribution utilities for promoting conservation of natural gas.

5. The averments of Paragraph No. 5 of the Complaint are re requests for relief to which no response is required.

WHEREFORE, for all the foregoing reasons, National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation respectfully requests that the Complaint of Gregg Heinold be denied.

Respectfully submitted,



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

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Date: July 18, 2006



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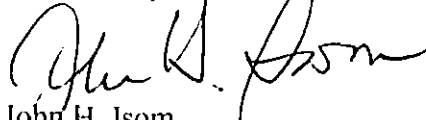
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**RE: Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission, Robert J. Zaksheske v.
National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation
Docket No. R-00061493C0008**

Dear Secretary McNulty:

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Respectfully submitted,


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BEFORE THE
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Robert J. Zaksheske :
 : Docket No. R-00061493C0008
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National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation :

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TO THE PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION:

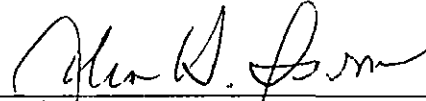
National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation ("Distribution") hereby answers the above-captioned Complaint of Robert J. Zaksheske as follows:

1. The averments of Paragraph No. 1 of the Complaint are admitted.
2. The averments of Paragraph No. 2 of the Complaint are admitted except that the complete name of the Respondent is National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation.
3. The averments of Paragraph No. 3 of the Complaint are admitted.
4. In response to Paragraph No. 4 of the Complaint, it is admitted that Mr. Zaksheske opposes Distribution's proposed rate increase.
5. The averments of Paragraph No. 5 of the Complaint are requests for relief to which no response is required.

WHEREFORE, for all the foregoing reasons, National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation respectfully requests that the Complaint of Robert J. Zaksheske be denied.

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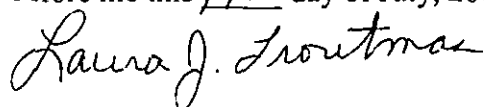
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Eric H. Meini, being duly sworn according to law, deposes and states that he is General Manager of the Rates and Regulatory Affairs Department of National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation, that he is authorized to and does make this affidavit for National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation; and that the facts set forth in the foregoing Answer to Complaint are true and correct to the best of his knowledge, information and belief; and that he expects National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation to be able to prove the same at any hearing hereof.



Eric H. Meini

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED
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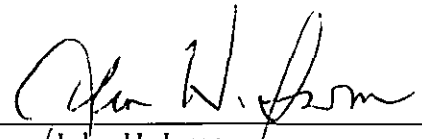
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I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing Answer to Complaint has been served upon the following persons, in the manner indicated, in accordance with the requirements of § 1.54 (relating to service by a participant).

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Robert J. Zaksheske
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Date: July 18, 2006



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**RE: Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission, Stephanie A. Shaw v.
National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation
Docket No. R-00061493C0009**

Dear Secretary McNulty:

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Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission, :
Stephanie A. Shaw :
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 : Docket No. R-00061493C0009
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 National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation :

ANSWER TO COMPLAINT

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TO THE PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION:

National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation ("Distribution") hereby answers the above-captioned Complaint of Stephanie A. Shaw as follows:

1. The averments of Paragraph No. 1 of the Complaint are admitted.
2. The averments of Paragraph No. 2 of the Complaint are admitted except that the complete name of the Respondent is National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation.
3. The averments of Paragraph No. 3 of the Complaint are admitted.
4. Distribution hereby answers each of the separately identified sub-paragraphs of Paragraph No. 4 of the Complaint as follows:

A. In response to sub-paragraph 4.A. of the Complaint, it is admitted that Ms. Shaw opposes Distribution's proposed rate increase.

B. In response to sub-paragraph 4.B. of the Complaint, it is admitted that, in recent months, rates for recovery of purchased gas costs have increased as a result of increases in the commodity costs of natural gas in the competitive marketplace. The remaining averments of sub-paragraph 4.B. of the Complaint are denied. To the contrary, rates proposed in Supplement No. 61 to Tariff Gas - Pa. P.U.C. No. 9 are just and

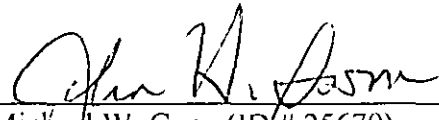
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reasonable and are designed to produce no more than a reasonable opportunity to achieve a fair rate of return.

5. The averments of Paragraph No. 5 of the Complaint are requests for relief to which no response is required.

WHEREFORE, for all the foregoing reasons, National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation respectfully requests that the Complaint of Stephanie A. Shaw be denied.

Respectfully submitted,



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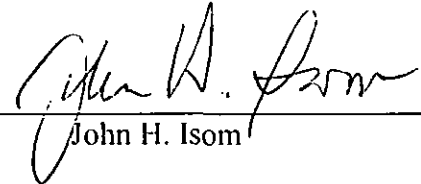
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Eric, PA 16508

Date: July 18, 2006



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**RE: Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission, Harold W. McElhatten v.
National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation
Docket No. R-00061493C0010**

Dear Secretary McNulty:

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Respectfully submitted,

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National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation :

ANSWER TO COMPLAINT

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TO THE PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation ("Distribution") hereby answers the above-captioned Complaint of Harold W. McElhatten as follows:

1. The averments of Paragraph No. 1 of the Complaint are admitted.
2. The averments of Paragraph No. 2 of the Complaint are admitted except that the complete name of the Respondent is National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation.
3. The averments of Paragraph No. 3 of the Complaint are admitted.
4. Distribution responds to each of the separately designated sub-paragraphs of Paragraph No. 4 of the Complaint as follows:

A. In response to sub-paragraph 4.A. of the Complaint, it is admitted that Mr. McElhatten opposes Distribution's proposed rate increase.

B. The averments of sub -paragraph 4.B. of the Complaint are denied. To the contrary, rates proposed in Supplement No. 61 to Tariff Gas – Pa. P.U.C. No. 9 are just and reasonable and are designed to produce only a reasonable opportunity to achieve a fair rate of return.

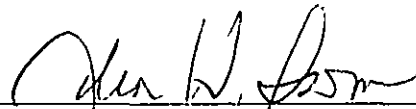
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It is admitted that, in Supplement No. 61, Distribution is proposing a revenue decoupling mechanism in order to remove disincentives that discourage natural gas distribution utilities from promoting conservation of natural gas.

5. The averments of Paragraph No. 5 of the Compliant are requests for relief to which no response is required.

WHEREFORE, for all the foregoing reasons, National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation respectfully requests that the Complaint of Harold W. McElhatten be denied.

Respectfully submitted,



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Date: July 18, 2006

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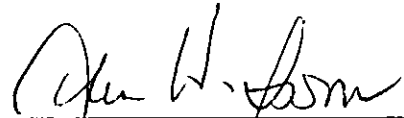
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Date: July 18, 2006



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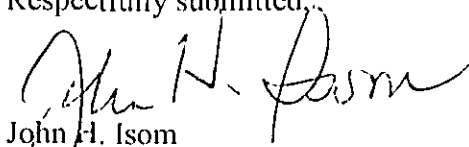
**RE: Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission, Donald J. Herbstritt
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Docket No. R-00061493C0011**

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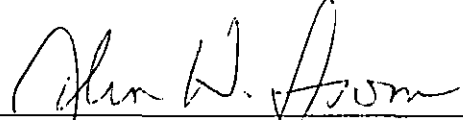
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3. The averments of Paragraph No. 3 of the Complaint are admitted.
4. In response to Paragraph No. 4 of the Complaint, it is admitted that Mr. Herbstritt opposes the proposed increase in base rates that was contained in Supplement No. 61 to Tariff Gas – Pa. P.U.C. No. 9, which was filed with the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission on May 31, 2006.
5. The averments of Paragraph No. 5 of the Complaint are requests for relief to which no response is required.

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WHEREFORE, for all the foregoing reasons, National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation respectfully requests that the Complaint of Donald J. Herbstritt be denied.

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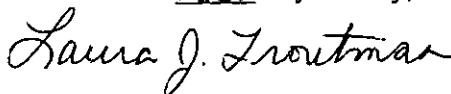
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Eric H. Meinel

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED
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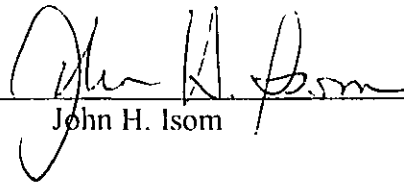
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**RE: Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission, Charles W. Gochring
v. National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation
Docket No. R-00061493C0012**

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**BEFORE THE
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Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission, :
Charles W. Gochring :

Docket No. R-00061493C0012

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ANSWER TO COMPLAINT

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National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation ("Distribution") hereby answers the above-captioned Complaint of Charles W. Gochring as follows:

1. The averments of Paragraph No. 1 of the Complaint are admitted.
2. The averments of Paragraph No. 2 of the Complaint are admitted except that the complete name of the Respondent is National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation.
3. The averments of Paragraph No. 3 of the Complaint are admitted.
4. Distribution hereby answers each of the separately-designated sub-paragraphs of

Paragraph No. 4 of the Complaint as follows:

A. In response to sub-paragraph 4.A. of the Complaint, it is admitted that Mr. Gochring opposes Distribution's proposed rate increase that is set forth in Supplement No. 61 to Tariff Gas - Pa. P.U.C. No. 9, which was filed with the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission on May 31, 2006.

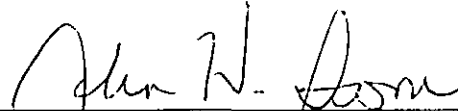
B. In response to sub-paragraph 4.B. of the Complaint, it is admitted that in Supplement No. 61 to Tariff Gas - Pa. P.U.C. No. 9, Distribution proposed a general increase in base rates designed to produce \$25.892 million of additional operating

revenues based upon a future test year ending January 31, 2007, as adjusted for ratemaking purposes. It is admitted further that, in Supplement No. 61, contains an Enhanced Energy Efficiency Program Costs Recovery Tariff Rider, the purpose of which is to reduce the disincentives for Distribution to encourage conservation of natural gas by its customers. The remaining averments of sub-paragraph 4.B. of the Complaint are denied. To the contrary, rates, rules and regulations in Supplement No. 61 are just and reasonable, comply with all applicable provisions of the Public Utility Code, comply with all applicable decisions of the Pennsylvania appellate courts and will produce only a reasonable opportunity for Distribution to achieve a fair rate of return.

5. The averments of Paragraph No. 5 of the Complaint are requests for relief to which no response is required.

WHEREFORE, for all the foregoing reasons, National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation respectfully requests that the Complaint of Charles W. Gochring be denied.

Respectfully submitted,



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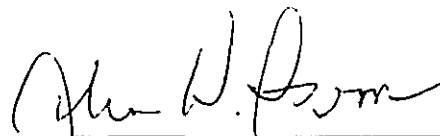
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Date: July 24, 2006



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**RE: Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission, Patricia D. Wolfgang
v. National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation
Docket No. R-00061493C0013**

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TO THE PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION:

National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation ("Distribution") hereby answers the above-captioned Complaint of Patricia D. Wolfgang as follows:

1. The averments of Paragraph No. 1 of the Complaint are admitted.
2. The averments of Paragraph No. 2 of the Complaint are admitted except that the complete name of the Respondent is National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation.
3. The averments of Paragraph No. 3 of the Complaint are admitted.
4. Distribution hereby answers each of the separately-designated sub-paragraphs of Paragraph No. 4 of the Complaint as follows:

A. In response to sub-paragraph 4.A. of the Complaint, it is admitted that Ms. Wolfgang opposes Distribution's proposed rate increase that is set forth in Supplement No. 61 to Tariff Gas – Pa. P.U.C. No. 9, which was filed with the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission on May 31, 2006.

B. In response to sub-paragraph 4.B. of the Complaint, it is admitted that Distribution has proposed, in Supplement No. 61 to Tariff Gas – Pa. P.U.C. No. 9, an Enhanced Energy Efficiency Program Cost Recovery Tariff Rider. The purpose of the

tariff rider is to reduce disincentives for Distribution to encourage its customers to conserve use of natural gas. The remaining averments of sub-paragraph 4.B. of the Complaint are denied. To the contrary, Distribution's proposed rates, including the Enhanced Energy Efficiency Program Cost Recovery Tariff Rider are just and reasonable, not unduly discriminatory, consistent with sound ratemaking principles, consistent with applicable provisions of the Public Utility Code and decisions of the Pennsylvania appellate courts.

5. The averments of Paragraph No. 5 of the Complaint are requests for relief to which no response is required.

WHEREFORE, for all the foregoing reasons, National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation respectfully requests that the Complaint of Patricia D. Wolfgang be denied.

Respectfully submitted,



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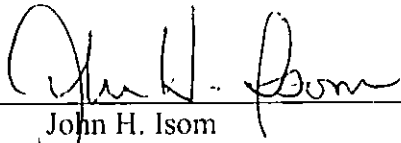
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Patricia D. Wolfgang
RR 3, Box 3264A
Russell, PA 16345

Date: July 24, 2006



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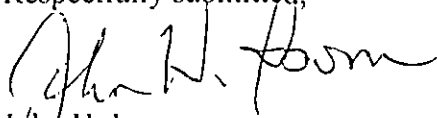
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Docket No. R-00061493C0014**

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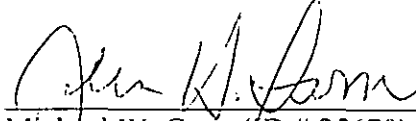
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3. The averments of Paragraph No. 3 of the Complaint are admitted.
4. In response to Paragraph No. 4 of the Complaint, it is admitted that Mr. Greene opposes Distribution's proposed increase in rates, including the proposed Enhanced Energy Efficiency Program Cost Recovery Rider, that is set forth in Supplement No. 61 to Tariff Gas - Pa. P.U.C. No. 9, which was filed with the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission on May 31, 2006.
5. The averments of Paragraph No. 5 of the Complaint are requests for relief to which no response is required.

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WHEREFORE, for all the foregoing reasons, National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation respectfully requests that the Complaint of Michael T. Greene be denied.

Respectfully submitted,



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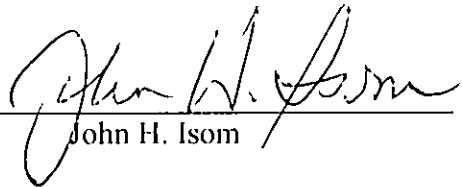
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3304 W. 38th Street
Eric, PA 16506

Date: July 24, 2006



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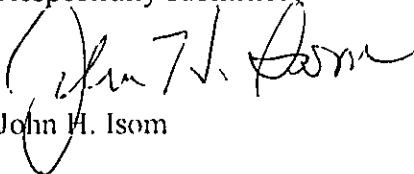
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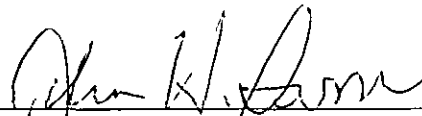
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Efficiency Program Cost Recovery Tariff Rider. The purpose of the rider is to decrease disincentives for Distribution to encourage conservation of natural gas by customers.

5. The averments of Paragraph No. 5 of the Complaint are requests for relief to which no response is required.

WHEREFORE, for all the foregoing reasons, National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation respectfully requests that the Complaint of Jan Alspaugh be denied.

Respectfully submitted,



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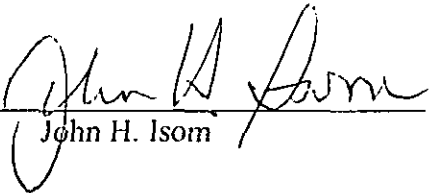
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Shirley Alvino
15 Elm Street
Warren, PA 16365

Date: July 24, 2006



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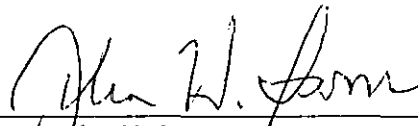
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3092 A. Stanton Hill Road
Russell, PA 16345

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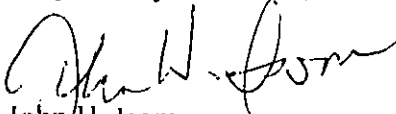
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Docket No. R-00061493C0016**

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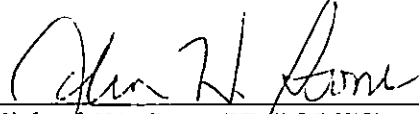
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3. The averments of Paragraph No. 3 of the Complaint are admitted.
4. In response to Paragraph No. 4 of the Complaint, it is admitted that Ms. Alvino opposes Distribution's proposed increase in base rates that is set forth in Supplement No. 61 to Tariff Gas – Pa. P.U.C. No. 9, which was filed with the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission on May 31, 2006.
5. The averments of Paragraph No. 5 of the Complaint are requests for relief to which no response is required.

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WHEREFORE, for all the foregoing reasons, National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation respectfully requests that the Complaint of Shirley Alvino be denied.

Respectfully submitted,



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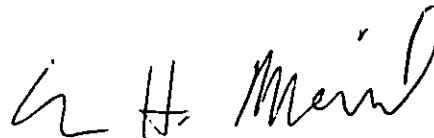
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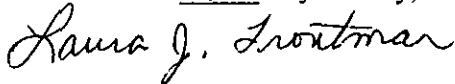
SS.

Eric H. Meini, being duly sworn according to law, deposes and states that he is General Manager of the Rates and Regulatory Affairs Department of National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation, that he is authorized to and does make this affidavit for National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation; and that the facts set forth in the foregoing Answer to Complaint are true and correct to the best of his knowledge, information and belief; and that he expects National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation to be able to prove the same at any hearing hereof.



Eric H. Meini

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED
before me this 21st day of July, 2006



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My Commission Expires March 30, 2010.

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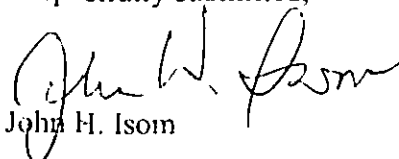
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Docket No. R-00061493C0017**

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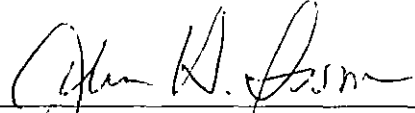
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3. The averments of Paragraph No. 3 of the Complaint are admitted.
4. In response to Paragraph No. 4 of the Complaint, it is admitted that Ms. Spencer opposes the increase in rates proposed by Distribution in Supplement No. 61 to Tariff Gas – Pa.P.U.C. No. 9, which was filed with the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission on May 31, 2006. It is admitted further that Ms. Spencer opposes the Enhanced Energy Efficiency Program Cost Recovery tariff rider, which is designed to reduce disincentives for Distribution to promote conservation of natural gas by its customers. In response to the remaining averments of the Complaint, information concerning Ms. Spencer's personal financial circumstances is not reasonably available to Distribution, and therefore, such averments are denied.

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5. The averments of Paragraph No. 5 of the Complaint are requests for relief to which no response is required.

WHEREFORE, for all the foregoing reasons, National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation respectfully requests that the Complaint of Priscilla Spencer be denied.

Respectfully submitted,



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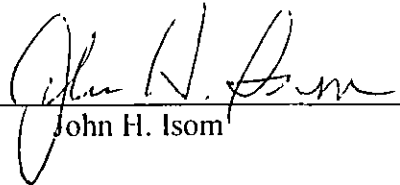
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Priscilla Spencer
26 South Main Street
Chandlers Valley, PA 16312

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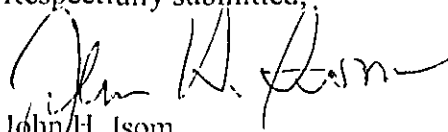
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**RE: Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission, Donald Frye
v. National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation
Docket No. R-00061493C0018**

Dear Secretary McNulty:

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Respectfully submitted,


John H. Isom

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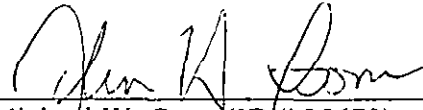
National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation ("Distribution") hereby answers the above-captioned Complaint of Donald Frye as follows:

1. The averments of Paragraph No. 1 of the Complaint are admitted.
2. The averments of Paragraph No. 2 of the Complaint are admitted.
3. The averments of Paragraph No. 3 of the Complaint are admitted.
4. In response to Paragraph No. 4 of the Complaint, it is admitted that Mr. Frye opposes Distribution's proposed rate increase that is set forth in Supplement No. 61 to Tariff Gas - Pa.P.U.C. No. 9, which was filed with the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission on May 31, 2006. It is admitted further that Mr. Frye opposes the Enhanced Energy Efficiency Program Cost Recovery tariff rate, which is designed to reduce disincentives for Distribution to encourage its customers to conserve natural gas supplies. The Enhanced Energy Efficiency Program Cost Recovery tariff rider also is set forth in Supplement No. 61.
5. The averments of Paragraph No. 5 of the Complaint are requests for relief to which no response is required.

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WHEREFORE, for all the foregoing reasons, National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation respectfully requests that the Complaint of Donald Frye be denied.

Respectfully submitted,



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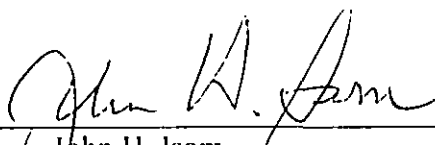
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I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing Answer to Complaint has been served upon the following persons, in the manner indicated, in accordance with the requirements of § 1.54 (relating to service by a participant).

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11 Rumbarger Avenue
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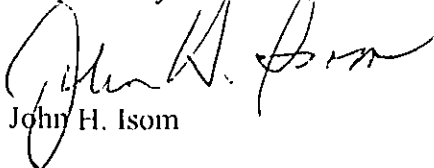
**RE: Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission, Nancy McKee
v. National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation
Docket No. R-00061493C0019**

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Dear Secretary McNulty:

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Respectfully submitted,


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National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation ("Distribution") hereby answers the above-captioned Complaint of Nancy McKee as follows:

1. The averments of Paragraph No. 1 of the Complaint are admitted.
2. The averments of Paragraph No. 2 of the Complaint are admitted except that the complete name of the Respondent is National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation.
3. The averments of Paragraph No. 3 of the Complaint are admitted.
4. Distribution responds to each of the separately designated subparagraphs of Paragraph No. 4 of the Complaint as follows:

A. In response to subparagraph 4.A of the Complaint, it is admitted that Ms. McKee opposes Distribution's proposed increase in rates that is set forth in Supplement No. 61 to Tariff Gas - Pa.P.U.C. No. 9, which was filed with the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission on May 31, 2006.

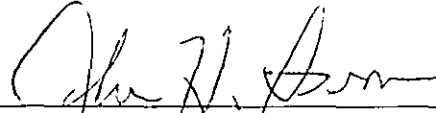
B. The averments of subparagraph 4.B of the Complaint are denied. To the contrary, rates proposed in Supplement No. 61 are just and reasonable and

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will provide Distribution only with a reasonable opportunity to achieve a fair rate of return.

WHEREFORE, for all the foregoing reasons, National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation respectfully requests that the Complaint of Nancy McKee be denied.

Respectfully submitted,



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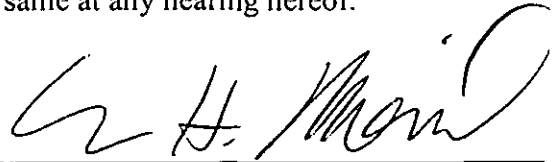
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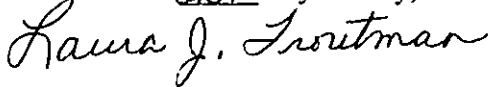
STATE OF NEW YORK :
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COUNTY OF ERIE : SS.

Eric H. Meini, being duly sworn according to law, deposes and states that he is General Manager of the Rates and Regulatory Affairs Department of National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation, that he is authorized to and does make this affidavit for National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation; and that the facts set forth in the foregoing Answer to Complaint are true and correct to the best of his knowledge, information and belief; and that he expects National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation to be able to prove the same at any hearing hereof.



Eric H. Meini

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED
before me this 21st day of July, 2006



LAURA J. TROUTMAN
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My Commission Expires March 30, 2010.

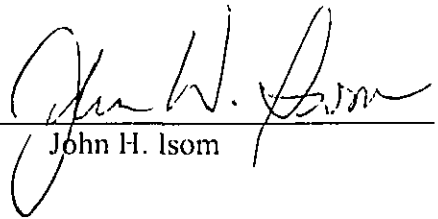
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**RE: Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission, Harry Clark
v. National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation
Docket No. R-00061493C0020**

Dear Secretary McNulty:

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Respectfully submitted,

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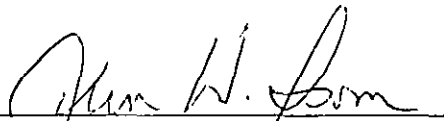
National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation ("Distribution") hereby answers the above-captioned Complaint of Harry Clark as follows:

1. The averments of Paragraph No. 1 of the Complaint are admitted.
2. The averments of Paragraph No. 2 of the Complaint are admitted except that the complete name of the Respondent is National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation.
3. The averments of Paragraph No. 3 of the Complaint are admitted.
4. In response to Paragraph No. 4 of the Complaint, it is admitted that Mr. Clark opposes Distribution's proposed increase in base rates that is set forth in Supplement No. 61 to Tariff Gas – Pa.P.U.C. No. 9, which was filed with the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission on May 31, 2006.
5. The averments of Paragraph No. 5 of the Complaint are requests for relief to which no response is required.

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WHEREFORE, for all the foregoing reasons, National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation respectfully requests that the Complaint of Harry Clark be denied.

Respectfully submitted,



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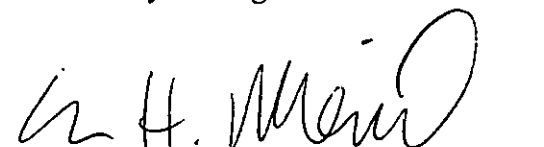
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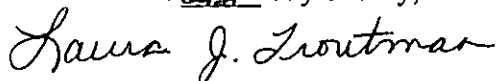
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Eric H. Meinel

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED
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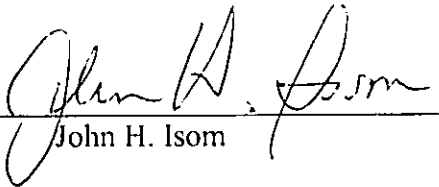
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Harry Clark
11065 Freeport Lane
North East, PA 16428

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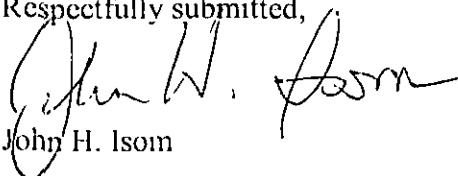
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**RE: Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission, Clyde W. Camp
v. National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation
Docket No. R-00061493C0021**

Dear Secretary McNulty:

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Respectfully submitted,


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National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation ("Distribution") hereby answers the above-captioned Complaint of Clyde W. Camp as follows:

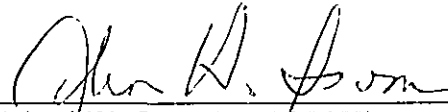
1. The averments of Paragraph No. 1 of the Complaint are admitted.
2. The averments of Paragraph No. 2 of the Complaint are admitted except that the complete name of the Respondent is National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation.
3. The averments of Paragraph No. 3 of the Complaint are admitted.
4. In response to Paragraph No. 4 of the Complaint, it is admitted that Mr. Camp opposes Distribution's proposed Enhanced Energy Efficiency Program Cost Recovery tariff rider that is contained in Supplement No. 61 to Tariff Gas – Pa.P.U.C. No. 9, which was filed with the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission on May 31, 2006. The purpose of the Enhanced Energy Efficiency Program Cost Recovery tariff rider is to reduce disincentives from the Company to encourage its customers to conserve natural gas supplies. Contrary to Mr. Camp's contentions, the proposed Enhanced Energy Efficiency Program Cost Recovery tariff rider is just and reasonable and consistent with sound ratemaking practice.

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5. The averments of Paragraph No. 5 of the Complaint are requests for relief to which no response is required.

WHEREFORE, for all the foregoing reasons, National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation respectfully requests that the Complaint of Clyde W. Camp be denied.

Respectfully submitted,



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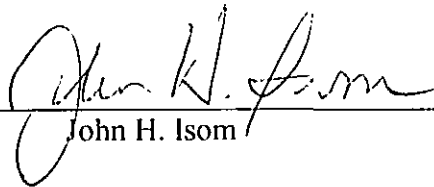
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360 Keller Road
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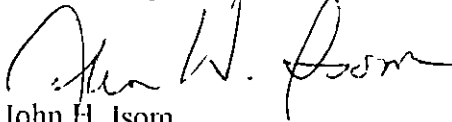
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**RE: Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission, Judy Thompson-Froess
v. National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation
Docket No. R-00061493C0022**

Dear Secretary McNulty:

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Respectfully submitted,


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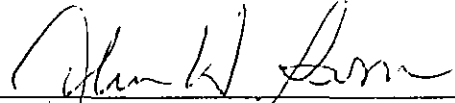
National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation ("Distribution") hereby answers the above-captioned Complaint of Judy Thompson-Froess as follows:

1. The averments of Paragraph No. 1 of the Complaint are admitted.
2. In response to Paragraph No. 2 of the Complaint, it is admitted that the name of the Respondent is National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation.
3. The averments of Paragraph No. 3 of the Complaint are admitted.
4. In response to Paragraph No. 4 of the Complaint, it is admitted that Ms. Thompson-Froess opposes Distribution's proposed Enhanced Energy Efficiency Program Cost Recovery tariff rider that is contained in Supplement No. 61 to Tariff Gas – Pa.P.U.C. No. 9, which was filed with the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission on May 31, 2006. The purpose of the Enhanced Energy Efficiency Program Cost Recovery tariff rider is to reduce disincentives for Distribution to encourage its customers to conserve natural gas supplies.
5. The averments of Paragraph No. 5 of the Complaint are requests for relief to which no response is required.

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WHEREFORE, for all the foregoing reasons, National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation respectfully requests that the Complaint of Judy Thompson-Froess be denied.

Respectfully submitted,



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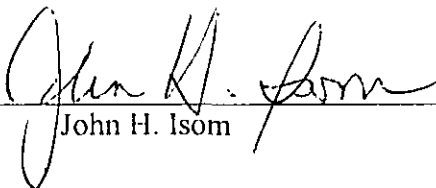
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Judy Thompson-Froess
16 Victor Avenue
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**RE: Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission, John Sabat, Jr.
v. National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation
Docket No. R-00061493C0023**

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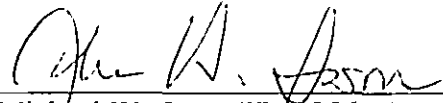
National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation ("Distribution") hereby answers the above-captioned Complaint of John Sabat, Jr. as follows:

1. The averments of Paragraph No. 1 of the Complaint are admitted.
2. The averments of Paragraph No. 2 of the Complaint are admitted, except that the full name of the Respondent is National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation.
3. The averments of Paragraph No. 3 of the Complaint are admitted.
4. In response to Paragraph No. 4 of the Complaint, it is admitted that Mr. Sabat opposes Distribution's proposed rate increase that is set forth in Supplement No. 61 to Tariff Gas - Pa.P.U.C. No. 9, which was filed with the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission on May 31, 2006. The proposed rate increase, however, is just and reasonable and will provide to Distribution only a reasonable opportunity to earn a fair rate of return.
5. The averments of Paragraph No. 5 of the Complaint are requests for relief to which no response is required.

WHEREFORE, for all the foregoing reasons, National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation respectfully requests that the Complaint of John Sabat, Jr. be denied.

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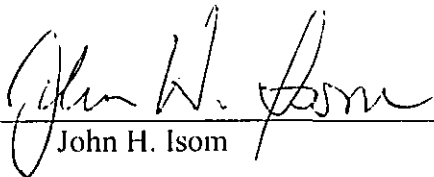
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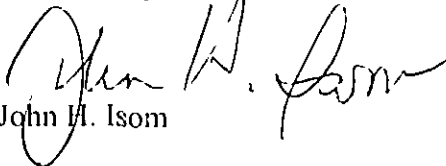
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**RE: Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission, Ralph E. Peterson
v. National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation
Docket No. R-00061493C0024**

Dear Secretary McNulty:

Enclosed, for filing, are an original and three (3) copies of National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation's Answer to Complaint in the above-referenced proceeding.

Respectfully submitted,


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ANSWER TO COMPLAINT

TO THE PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION:

National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation ("Distribution") hereby answers the above-captioned Complaint of Ralph E. Peterson as follows:

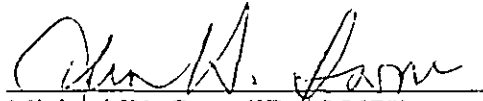
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4. In response to Paragraph No. 4 of the Complaint, it is admitted that Mr. Peterson opposes Distribution's proposed increase in rates and Enhanced Energy Efficiency Program Cost Recovery tariff rider that are set forth in Supplement No. 61 to Tariff Gas - Pa.P.U.C. No. 9, which was filed with the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission on May 31, 2006. The Distribution's proposed increase in rates, however, is just and reasonable and will provide to Distribution only a reasonable opportunity to earn a fair rate of return. The purpose of the Enhanced Energy Efficiency Program Cost Recovery tariff rider is to reduce disincentives for Distribution encourage its customers to conserve natural gas supplies.

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5. The averments of Paragraph No. 5 of the Complaint are requests for relief to which no response is required.

WHEREFORE, for all the foregoing reasons, National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation respectfully requests that the Complaint of Ralph E. Peterson be denied.

Respectfully submitted,



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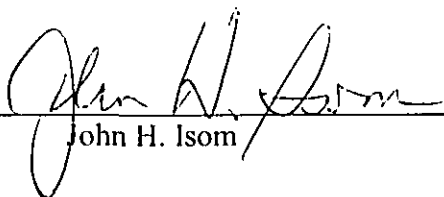
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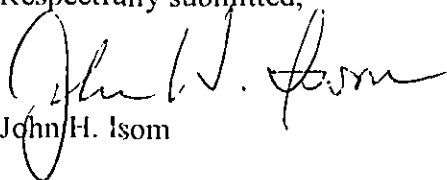
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**RE: Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission, Theodore E. & Jill D. Dorrion
v. National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation
Docket No. R-00061493C0025**

Dear Secretary McNulty:

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Respectfully submitted,



John H. Isom

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ANSWER TO COMPLAINT

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TO THE PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION:

National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation ("Distribution") hereby answers the above-captioned Complaint of Theodore E. and Jill D. Dorrior as follows:

1. The averments of Paragraph No. 1 of the Complaint are admitted.
2. The averments of Paragraph No. 2 of the Complaint are admitted, except that the full name of the Respondent is National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation.
3. The averments of Paragraph No. 3 of the Complaint are admitted.
4. In response to Paragraph No. 4 of the Complaint, it is admitted that Mr. and Mrs. Dorrior oppose Distribution's proposed rate increase that is set forth in Supplement No. 61 to Tariff Gas - Pa.P.U.C. No. 9, which was filed with the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission on May 31, 2006. It is admitted further that Mr. and Mrs. Dorrior oppose Distribution's Enhanced Energy Efficiency Program Cost Recovery tariff rider that also is set forth in Supplement No. 61. The purpose of the Enhanced Energy Efficiency Program Cost Recovery tariff rider is to reduce disincentives for Distribution to encourage its customers to conserve natural gas supplies. The remaining averments of Paragraph No. 4 of the Complaint are denied.

To the contrary, rates, rules and regulations proposed in Supplement No. 61 are just and

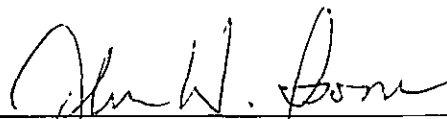
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reasonable, and will provide to Distribution only a reasonable opportunity to earn a fair rate of return.

5. The averments of Paragraph No. 5 of the Complaint are requests for relief to which no response is required.

WHEREFORE, for all the foregoing reasons, National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation respectfully requests that the Complaint of Theodore E. and Jill D. Dorrion be denied.

Respectfully submitted,



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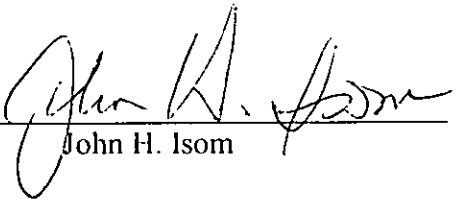
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Tiona, PA 16352-0105

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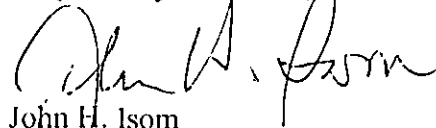
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**RE: Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission, Howard Stewart
v. National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation
Docket No. R-00061493C0026**

Dear Secretary McNulty:

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Respectfully submitted,



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**BEFORE THE
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Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission,
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ANSWER TO COMPLAINT

TO THE PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION:

National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation ("Distribution") hereby answers the above-captioned Complaint of Howard Stewart as follows:

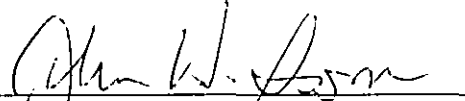
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3. The averments of Paragraph No. 3 of the Complaint are admitted.
4. In response to Paragraph No. 4 of the Complaint, it is admitted that Mr. Stewart opposes Distribution's proposed increase in rates and Enhanced Energy Efficiency Program Cost Recovery tariff rider, which are set forth in Supplement No. 61 to Tariff Gas - Pa.P.U.C. No. 9, which was filed with the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission on May 31, 2006. The remaining averments of Paragraph No. 4 of the Complaint are denied. To the contrary, rates, rules and regulations set forth in Supplement No. 61 are just and reasonable, and will provide to Distribution only a reasonable opportunity to earn a fair rate of return. Further, information concerning the personal financial circumstances of Mr. Stewart is not reasonably available to Distribution, and therefore, such averments are denied.

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5. The averments of Paragraph No. 5 of the Complaint are requests for relief to which no response is required.

WHEREFORE, for all the foregoing reasons, National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation respectfully requests that the Complaint of Howard Stewart be denied.

Respectfully submitted,



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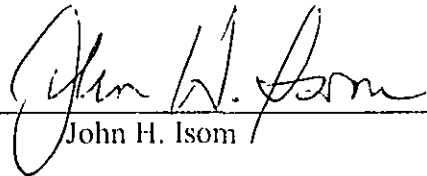
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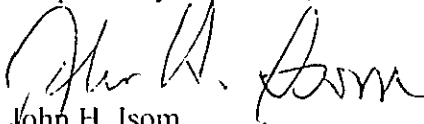
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**RE: Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission, Raymond A. Wesolowski
v. National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation
Docket No. R-00061493C0027**

Dear Secretary McNulty:

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Respectfully submitted,


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TO THE PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION:

National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation ("Distribution") hereby answers the above-captioned Complaint of Raymond A. Wesolowski as follows:

1. The averments of Paragraph No. 1 of the Complaint are admitted.
2. The averments of Paragraph No. 2 of the Complaint are admitted.
3. The averments of Paragraph No. 3 of the Complaint are admitted.
4. In response to Paragraph No. 4 of the Complaint, it is admitted that Mr.

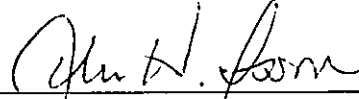
Wesolowski opposes Distribution's proposed increase in base rates and Enhanced Energy Efficiency Program Cost Recovery tariff rider, which are set forth in Supplement No. 61 to Tariff Gas - Pa.P.U.C. No. 9, which was filed with the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission on May 31, 2006. The remaining averments of Paragraph No. 4 of the Complaint are denied. To the contrary, Distribution's proposed increase in rates will only provide to Distribution a reasonable opportunity to earn a fair rate of return. Further, the Enhanced Energy Efficiency Program Cost Recovery tariff rider will decrease disincentives for distribution to encourage its customers to conserve national gas supplies.

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5. The averments of Paragraph No. 5 of the Complaint are requests for relief to which no response is required.

WHEREFORE, for all the foregoing reasons, National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation respectfully requests that the Complaint of Raymond A. Wesolowski be denied.

Respectfully submitted,



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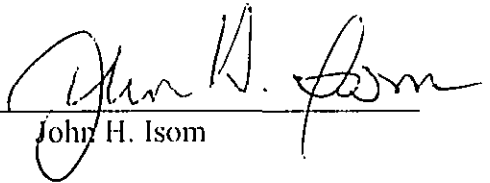
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345 Shorehaven Drive
Eric, PA 16505

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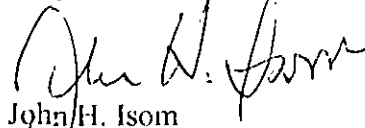
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**RE: Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission, Mike & Michelle Sirota
v. National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation
Docket No. R-00061493C0028**

Dear Secretary McNulty:

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**BEFORE THE
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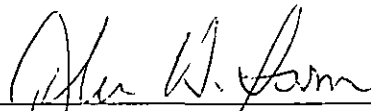
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2. The averments of Paragraph No. 2 of the Complaint are admitted except that the complete name of the Respondent is National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation.
3. The averments of Paragraph No. 3 of the Complaint are admitted.
4. In response to Paragraph No. 4 of the Complaint, it is admitted that Mr. and Mrs. Sirota oppose Distribution's proposed increase in base rates and Enhanced Energy Efficiency Program Cost Recovery tariff rider, which are set forth in Supplement No. 61 to Tariff Gas - Pa.P.U.C. No. 9, which was filed with the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission on May 31, 2006. The remaining averments of Paragraph No. 4 of the Complaint are denied. To the contrary, rates, rules and regulations set forth in Supplement No. 61 are just and reasonable and comply with all applicable provisions of the Public Utility Code. Rates proposed in Supplement No. 61 will provide Distribution with no more than a reasonable opportunity to earn a fair rate of return. Further, the Enhanced Energy Efficiency Program Cost Recovery tariff rider is designed

to reduce disincentives for Distribution to encourage its customers to conserve national gas supplies.

5. The averments of Paragraph No. 5 of the Complaint are requests for relief to which no response is required.

WHEREFORE, for all the foregoing reasons, National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation respectfully requests that the Complaint of Mike and Michelle Sirota be denied.

Respectfully submitted,



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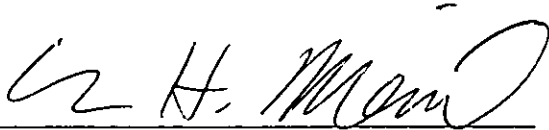
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SS.

Eric H. Meinel, being duly sworn according to law, deposes and states that he is General Manager of the Rates and Regulatory Affairs Department of National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation, that he is authorized to and does make this affidavit for National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation; and that the facts set forth in the foregoing Answer to Complaint are true and correct to the best of his knowledge, information and belief; and that he expects National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation to be able to prove the same at any hearing hereof.


Eric H. Meinel

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED
before me this 25th day of July, 2006



BARBARA A. DOMINIAK
Notary Public, State of New York
Qualified in Erie County
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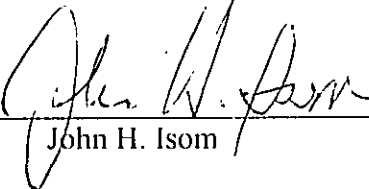
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Eric, PA 16506

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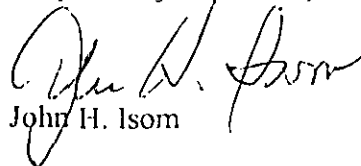
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**RE: Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission, Bonnie Benzie
v. National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation
Docket No. R-00061493C0029**

Dear Secretary McNulty:

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Respectfully submitted,


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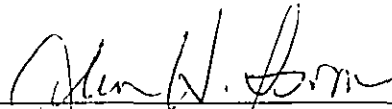
National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation ("Distribution") hereby answers the above-captioned Complaint of Bonnie Benzie as follows:

1. The averments of Paragraph No. 1 of the Complaint are admitted.
2. The averments of Paragraph No. 2 of the Complaint are admitted except that the complete name of the Respondent is National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation.
3. The averments of Paragraph No. 3 of the Complaint are admitted.
4. In response to Paragraph No. 4 of the Complaint, it is admitted that Ms. Benzie oppose Distribution's proposed increase in base rates, which is set forth in Supplement No. 61 to Tariff Gas -- Pa.P.U.C. No. 9, which was filed with the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission on May 31, 2006. Proposed rates, however, are just and reasonable and comply with all applicable provisions of the Public Utility Code.

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WHEREFORE, for all the foregoing reasons, National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation respectfully requests that the Complaint of Bonnie Benzie be denied.

Respectfully submitted,



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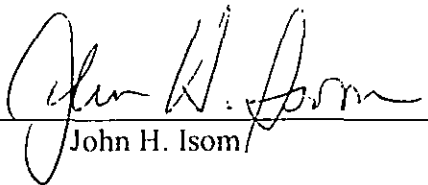
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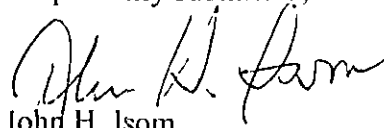
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**RE: Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission, Patricia Mowery
v. National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation
Docket No. R-00061493C0030**

Dear Secretary McNulty:

Enclosed, for filing, are an original and three (3) copies of National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation's Answer to Complaint in the above-referenced proceeding.

Respectfully submitted,


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**BEFORE THE
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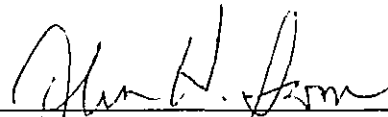
TO THE PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION:

National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation ("Distribution") hereby answers the above-captioned Complaint of Patricia Mowery as follows:

1. The averments of Paragraph No. 1 of the Complaint are admitted.
2. The averments of Paragraph No. 2 of the Complaint are admitted except that the complete name of the Respondent is National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation.
3. The averments of Paragraph No. 3 of the Complaint are admitted.
4. In response to Paragraph No. 4 of the Complaint, it is admitted that Ms. Mowery opposes Distribution's proposed increase in base rates and Enhanced Energy Efficiency Program Cost Recovery tariff rider, which are set forth in Supplement No. 61 to Tariff Gas – Pa.P.U.C. No. 9, which was filed with the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission on May 31, 2006. Proposed rates, however, are just and reasonable and comply with all applicable provisions of the Public Utility Code. Further, the Enhanced Energy Efficiency Program Cost Recovery tariff rider is intended to decrease disincentives for Distribution to encourage its customers to conserve national gas supplies.
5. The remaining averments are requests for relief to which no response is required.

WHEREFORE, for all the foregoing reasons, National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation respectfully requests that the Complaint of Patricia Mowery be denied.

Respectfully submitted,



Michael W. Gang (ID # 25670)

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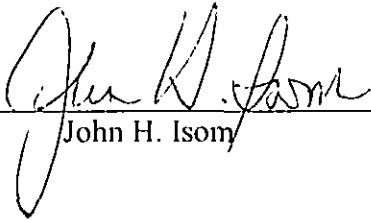
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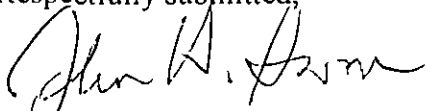
**RE: Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission, Maxine R. Young
v. National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation
Docket No. R-00061493C0031**

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BEFORE THE
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Maxine R. Young

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National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation

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TO THE PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION:

National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation ("Distribution") hereby answers the above-captioned Complaint of Maxine R. Young as follows:

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2. The averments of Paragraph No. 2 of the Complaint are admitted.
3. The averments of Paragraph No. 3 of the Complaint are admitted.
4. In response to Paragraph No. 4 of the Complaint, it is admitted that on May 31,

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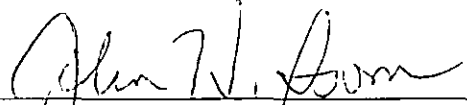
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5. The averments of Paragraph No. 5 of the Complaint are requests for relief to which no response is required.

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WHEREFORE, for all the foregoing reasons, National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation respectfully requests that the Complaint of Maxine R. Young be denied.

Respectfully submitted,



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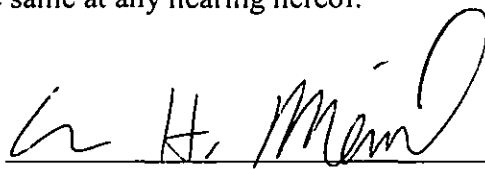
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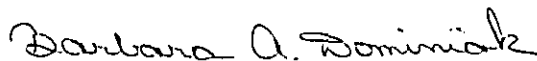
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Eric H. Meinl, being duly sworn according to law, deposes and states that he is General Manager of the Rates and Regulatory Affairs Department of National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation, that he is authorized to and does make this affidavit for National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation; and that the facts set forth in the foregoing Answer to Complaint are true and correct to the best of his knowledge, information and belief; and that he expects National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation to be able to prove the same at any hearing hereof.



Eric H. Meinl

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED
before me this 25th day of July, 2006



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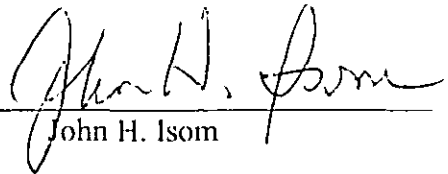
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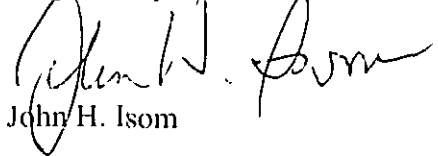
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**RE: Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission, Debra Norcross
v. National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation
Docket No. R-00061493C0032**

Dear Secretary McNulty:

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Respectfully submitted,


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BEFORE THE
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TO THE PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION:

National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation ("Distribution") hereby answers the above-captioned Complaint of Debra S. Norcross as follows:

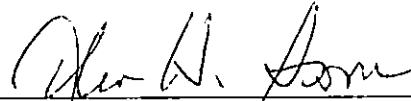
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2. The averments of Paragraph No. 2 of the Complaint are admitted except that the complete name of the Respondent is National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation.
3. The averments of Paragraph No. 3 of the Complaint are admitted.
4. In response to Paragraph No. 4 of the Complaint, it is admitted that Ms. Norcross opposes Distribution's proposed increase in base rates that is set forth in Supplement No. 61 to Tariff Gas -- Pa.P.U.C. No. 9, which was filed with the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission on May 31, 2006. Distribution's proposed increase in rates is just and reasonable and complies with all applicable provisions of the Public Utility Code. Further, proposed rates will provide for Distribution only a reasonable opportunity to achieve. Upon further response, it is admitted that Distribution's rates have increased, primarily as a result of increases in the commodity cost of purchased gas.

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5. The averments of Paragraph No. 5 of the Complaint are requests for relief to which no response is required.

WHEREFORE, for all the foregoing reasons, National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation respectfully requests that the Complaint of Debra S. Norcross be denied.

Respectfully submitted,



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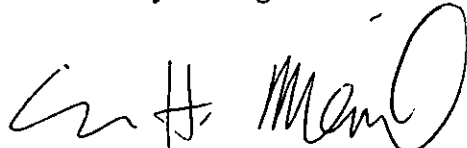
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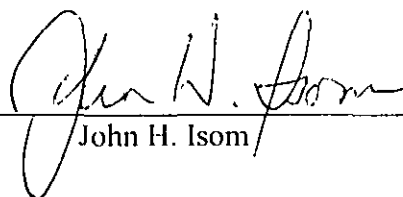
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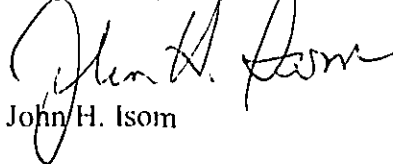
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**RE: Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission, Florence Stewart
v. National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation
Docket No. R-00061493C0033**

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Respectfully submitted,



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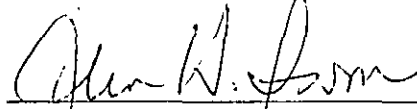
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3. The averments of Paragraph No. 3 of the Complaint are admitted.
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WHEREFORE, for all the foregoing reasons, National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation respectfully requests that the Complaint of Florence C. Stewart be denied.

Respectfully submitted,



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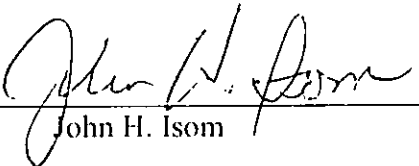
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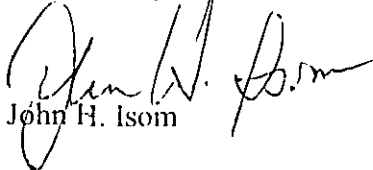
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**RE: Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission, Robert Armstrong
v. National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation
Docket No. R-00061493C0034**

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Robert Armstrong

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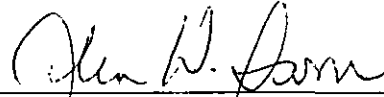
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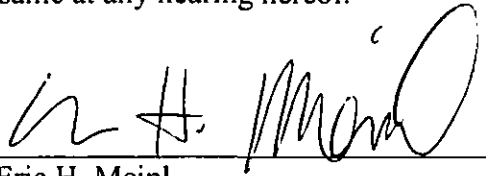
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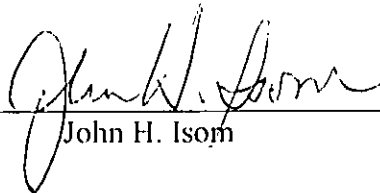
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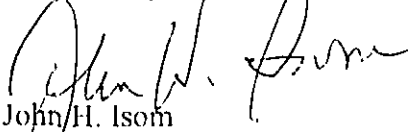
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**RE: Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission, Linda Hilyer
v. National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation
Docket No. R-00061493C0035**

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ANSWER TO COMPLAINT

TO THE PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION:

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National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation ("Distribution") hereby answers the above-captioned Complaint of Linda Hilyer as follows:

1. The averments of Paragraph No. 1 of the Complaint are admitted.
2. The averments of Paragraph No. 2 of the Complaint are admitted except that the complete name of the Respondent is National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation.
3. The averments of Paragraph No. 3 of the Complaint are admitted.
4. In response to Paragraph No. 4 of the Complaint, it is admitted that Ms. Hilyer opposes Distribution's proposed increase in base rates and the Enhanced Energy Efficiency Program Cost Recovery tariff rider that are set forth in Supplement No. 61 to Tariff Gas - Pa. P.U.C. No. 9 which was filed with the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission on May 31, 2006. The proposed rates, however, are just and reasonable and comply with all applicable provisions of the Public Utility Code. The proposed rates will only provide for Distribution a reasonable opportunity to achieve a fair rate of return. The Enhanced Energy Efficiency Program Cost Recovery tariff rider is intended to reduce disincentives for Distribution to encourage its customers to conserve natural gas supplies.

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Information concerning Ms. Hilyer's personal circumstances is not reasonably available to Distribution, and therefore, such averments are denied.

5. The averments of Paragraph No. 5 of the Complaint are requests for relief to which no response is required.

WHEREFORE, for all the foregoing reasons, National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation respectfully requests that the Complaint of Linda Hilyer be denied.

Respectfully submitted,



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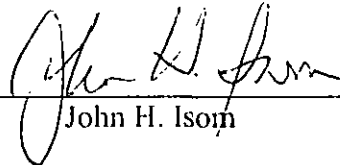
CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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

VIA FIRST CLASS MAIL

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