## FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20426

Docket No. ER00-2652-000

Hunton & Williams. Issued: July 13, 2000

ATTN: Arnold H. Quint

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Dear Mr. Quint:

On May 31, 2000 you submitted for filing with the Commission, on behalf of the New York Independent System Operator, Inc. (NYISO), amendments to the Independent System Operator Agreement (ISO Agreement). The amendments create a separate "Large Energy Using Governmental Agency" subsector within the "End-Use Consumer Sector." In addition, the amendments adjust voting shares among the subsectors to accommodate the new subsector.

Notice of the filings was published in the Federal Register, 65 Fed. Reg. 37,539 (2000) with comments, protests, or interventions due on or before June 21, 2000. Members of the Transmission Owners Committee of the Energy Association of New York State, formerly known as the Member Systems of the New York Power Pool (Member Systems), Merrill Lynch Capital Services, Inc. (Merrill Lynch), Southern Energy Bowline, L.L.C. Southern Energy Lovett, L.L.C., and Southern Energy NY-Gen (collectively Southern Parties), filed timely motions to intervene. Pursuant to Rule 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 C.F.R. § 385.214 (2000), the timely, unopposed motions to intervene of Member Systems, Merrill Lynch, and Southern Parties serve to make them parties to this proceeding.

Your submittal is accepted for filing to become effective April 19, 2000, as requested. Your designations will be made at a later date. This action is taken pursuant to the authority delegated to the Director, Division of Tariffs and Rates - East, under 18 C.F.R. § 375.307.

This acceptance for filing shall not be construed as constituting approval of the referenced filing or of any service, rate, charge, classification, or any rule, regulation, contract, or practice affecting such rate or service provided for in your documents; nor shall acceptance be deemed as recognition of any claimed contractual right or obligation associated therewith; an such acceptance is without prejudice to

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Member Systems are: Central Hudson Gas & Electric Corporation, Consolidated Edison Company of New York, Inc., LIPA, the Power Authority of the State of New York, New York State Electric & Gas Corporation, Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation, Orange and Rockland Utilities, Inc., and Rochester Gas and Electric Corporation.

any findings or orders which have been or may hereafter be made by the Commission in any proceeding now pending or hereafter instituted by or against NYISO.

This order constitutes final agency action. Requests for rehearing by the Commission may be filed within 30 days of the date of issuance of this order, pursuant to 18 C.F.R. § 385.713.

Sincerely,

Alice M. Fernandez, Director Division of Tariffs and Rates - East