

STATE OF NEW YORK

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## PSC SEEKS PUBLIC INPUT ON CON EDISON GAS AND STEAM RATES

Albany, NY – 06/01/10 – The New York State Public Service Commission will hold public statement hearings and otherwise seek public comments on cases concerning Joint Proposals for Consolidated Edison Company of New York, Inc. (Con Edison) to increase its annual revenues for steam and gas services. On May 18, 2010, comprehensive Joint Proposals were filed by interested parties in each case for consideration by the Commission. The Joint Proposals recommend three-year rate plans for steam and gas services commencing October 1, 2010 and continuing through September 30, 2013.

The public statement hearings will be held on:

Yonkers

**TUESDAY, JUNE 8, 2010**

**1:30 p.m.**

Grinton I. Will Library  
1500 Central Park Avenue  
Yonkers, New York

Manhattan

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 9, 2010**

**7:00 p.m.**

City University of New York  
The Graduate Center, Proshansky Auditorium C  
Level (elevator one level down from lobby)  
365 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue (between 34<sup>th</sup> & 35<sup>th</sup> Streets)  
New York, New York

### **Steam Joint Proposal**

The Joint Proposal in the steam rate case calls for a three-year rate plan with levelized annual increases of \$49.5 million per year (7.01%, 6.52%, and 6.09%) on total revenues in Rate Years 1 through 3, respectively.

The Joint Proposal in the steam rate case also proposes to resolve an issue concerning the allocation of costs of the East River Repowering Project (ERRP) between the Company's electric and steam systems. The issue was most recently under consideration in Case 09-S-0029, the steam planning case, but was later consolidated for decision in the steam rate case.

The Joint Proposal recommends reallocating \$7.5 million per year in ERRP fuel costs from the electric system to the steam system beginning in Rate Year 2 and continuing in Rate Year 3 and beyond, until changed by the Commission.

### **Gas Joint Proposal**

The Joint Proposal in the gas rate case supports a three-year rate plan with annual increases of \$47.1 million (2.4% on total bills, or 6.1% on delivery only), \$47.9 million (2.3% on total bills, or 5.8% on delivery only), and \$46.7 million (2.2% on total bills, or 5.3% on delivery only) in Rate Years 1 through 3, respectively.

The Commission may adopt the terms of the Joint Proposals in whole or in part, adopt alternative terms, or adopt terms concerning matters not addressed in the Joint Proposals.

### **Public Statement Hearings**

It is not necessary to make an appointment in advance or to present written material in order to speak at a public statement hearing before an Administrative Law Judge. Speakers will be called after completing a request card. All comments at the hearing will become part of the Commission's formal record for the case to which they pertain. Each hearing session will remain open for at least one hour and, if necessary to accommodate persons wishing to speak, will continue for no more than one additional hour.

Disabled persons desiring special accommodations may place a collect call to the Department of Public Service's Human Resource Management Office at 1 (518) 474-2520 and should do so as soon as possible.

### **Other Ways to Comment**

**Writing:** Those who cannot attend or who prefer not to speak at a public statement hearing may comment by writing to Jaclyn A. Brillling, Secretary, Public Service Commission, Three Empire State Plaza, Albany, NY 12223-1350. If concerned with the steam rate case, your comments should refer to "Case 09-S-0794 Consolidated Edison Company of New York, Inc. – Steam Rates." If concerned with the gas rates case, your comments should refer to "Case 09-G-0795 Consolidated Edison Company of New York, Inc. – Gas Rates."

**Toll-free opinion line:** You may also submit comments through the Commission's Opinion Line at 1 (800) 335-2120. This number is designed to take comments about pending cases from in-state callers 24 hours a day. Callers should select English or Spanish and press 1 to leave comments. In your comments, refer to the steam rate case or the gas rate case as explained above.

**Internet:** You may also submit comments through the "PSC Comment Form" in the "Consumer Assistance" file available on the Commission's website at [www.dps.state.ny.us](http://www.dps.state.ny.us) or through the "Contact Us" link at [www.AskPSC.com](http://www.AskPSC.com). Many libraries offer free Internet access. In your comments, refer to the steam rate case or the gas rate case as indicated above.

All comments submitted by one of these alternative means are due as soon as possible, but must be received no later than August 2, 2010. All timely comments the Commission receives become part of the official case record, are posted on the Commission's website for public inspection, and will be summarized for the Commission for consideration in its deliberations.

Persons interested in the Company's filings may view them, the Joint Proposals, and summaries of the Joint Proposals at the Commission's offices, Three Empire State Plaza, Albany, NY, or on the Commission's website—[www.dps.state.ny.us](http://www.dps.state.ny.us), click on "What's New;" then click on "Case

09-S-0794 Consolidated Edison Company of New York, Inc. for Steam Service” or “Case 09-G-0795 Consolidated Edison Company of New York, Inc. for Gas Service.”

Hard copies of the Joint Proposals and summaries also can viewed at:

Manhattan

Con Edison Headquarters  
4 Irving Place  
New York, NY

Con Edison Office  
116 East 124<sup>th</sup> Street  
Harlem, NY

Queens

Con Edison Office  
89-67 162<sup>nd</sup> Street  
Jamaica, NY

Bronx

Con Edison Office  
448 East Fordham Road  
Bronx, NY

Westchester

Con Edison Office  
One Pathmark Plaza  
Mount Vernon, NY

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1500 Central Park Avenue  
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