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President and Chief Executive Officer

November 13, 2026

Mr. Jeffrey R. Gaudiosi, Esq.
Executive Secretary
Public Utilities Regulatory Authority
10 Franklin Square
New Britain, CT 06051

Re: Docket No. 26-11-XX – Application of Connecticut Natural Gas Corporation and The Southern Connecticut Gas Company to Amend Their Rate Schedules – **Notice of Intent of Connecticut Natural Gas Corporation**

Dear Mr. Gaudiosi:

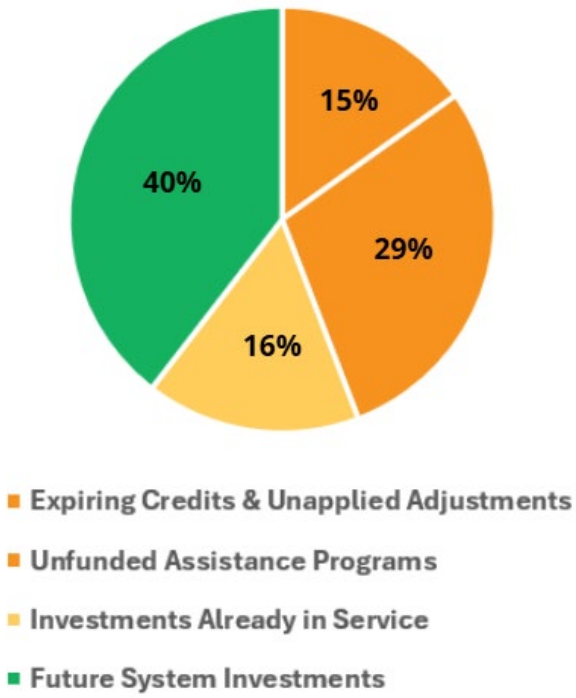
Pursuant to the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies §16-1-22(b), Connecticut Natural Gas Corporation ("CNG" or the "Company") herein provides notice that it intends to file with the Public Utilities Regulatory Authority ("PURA") an application for an increase in its rates and charges (the "CNG Application").[1] The CNG Application will propose to amend CNG's existing rate schedules effective December 1, 2027, to address a distribution revenue operating deficiency and establishment of a two-year rate plan. CNG expects to file its application within 30 to 60 days from the date of this notice.

Proposed Rate Changes

The forthcoming application will address circumstances that developed over several years. Temporary customer credits are expiring, customer assistance program costs must be addressed, and investments already serving customers must be reflected in rates. At the same time, CNG must continue maintaining and upgrading its system to provide safe, reliable service. The proposed application therefore reflects two different needs: addressing costs and temporary measures from prior years that are now flowing into rates, and providing the resources necessary to operate and invest in the system going forward. CNG recognizes the effect these combined factors may have on customers and is proposing a two-year rate plan to provide greater predictability and an opportunity to consider how the increase may be addressed over time. By submitting a two-year request, CNG is seeking to provide a more predictable path for customers, with the opportunity to address rate impacts over time while

[1] CNG's affiliate, The Southern Connecticut Gas Company, has filed its Notice of Intent to file an application for an increase in its rates and charges contemporaneously herewith in Docket No. 26-11-XX.

reducing the need for another proceeding in the near term and supporting continued investment in safe and reliable service. Rate Year One will cover the 12-month period beginning December 1, 2027, with amended rates designed to provide additional revenues of approximately $86 million. This represents an average increase of approximately 19 percent over currently authorized total revenues for all customers and rate classes combined, and approximately 39 percent over currently authorized delivery revenues. Rate Year Two will cover the 12-month period beginning December 1, 2028, with amended rates designed to provide approximately $18 million in additional revenues compared to Rate Year One. This represents an average increase of approximately 4 percent over proposed Rate Year One total revenues for all customers and rate classes combined, and approximately 6 percent over proposed Rate Year 1 delivery revenues.



The amount of the proposed Rate Year One increase reflects circumstances that developed over several years, not simply the cost of new spending proposed for the rate years. Approximately 44 percent of the proposed Rate Year One revenue requirement increase reflects factors outside CNG's control, including past regulatory decisions, the expiration of temporary customer credits, and customer assistance program costs. Another 16 percent reflects plant placed in service after the evidentiary record in CNG's last rate case closed in May 2024 or expected in service by the start of Rate Year One. Together, these components account for nearly two-thirds of the increase, rather than new spending during the rate years. The remaining drivers are infrastructure investment, state and federal compliance requirements, and higher operating and staffing costs to support safe, reliable service and improve the customer experience. Recognizing the impact on customer bills, CNG proposes to address both years in one proceeding, creating an opportunity to work with PURA and stakeholders to smooth the first-year increase over two years while aligning rates with the cost of service. This approach could also avoid the cost and uncertainty of back-to-back rate cases and give customers greater predictability for budgeting.

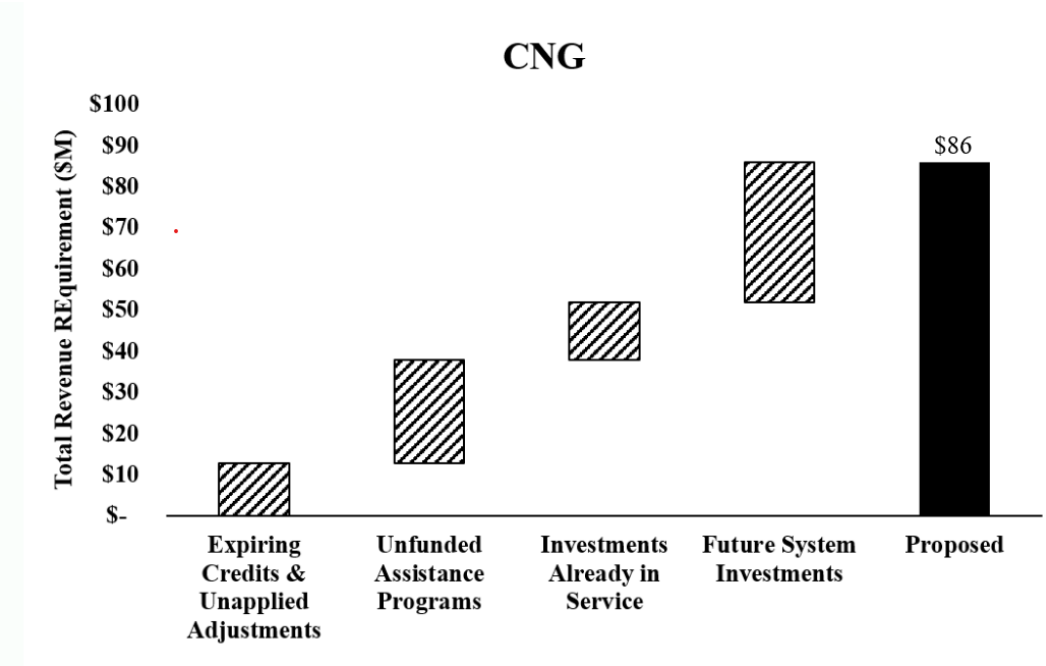
Background and Basis for the Request

CNG filed its most recent distribution rate application in 2023 in Docket No. 23-11-02, resulting in approval of a one-year rate plan through November 2025. PURA subsequently issued a decision on remand of that rate case in Docket No. 25-11-14 ("Remand Decision") and, collectively, these two decisions resulted in rate decreases for CNG. Against that backdrop, the forthcoming application will address CNG's revenue needs for the proposed rate years and will distinguish the effect of expiring customer credits from the revenues required for necessary infrastructure investment that is vital to maintain safe and reliable operation of CNG's gas distribution system in accordance with state and federal standards, including new state regulations. Increased revenues are also needed to continue to meet CNG's public service obligations to the customers and communities it serves, including through customer assistance programs.

A significant component of the increase relative to current rates reflects the expiration of temporary customer credits ordered by PURA. This change reflects a return to the underlying rate level already addressed by PURA in the Remand Decision, rather than additional spending proposed in the application. CNG recognizes that the expiration of the credit nevertheless increases the amount customers must pay.

At the same time, CNG must address customer assistance program costs that have accumulated over the last several years for programs that provided direct benefits to customers. Taken together, customer credits and customer assistance programs account for a material proportion of CNG's proposed revenue request. These components are distinct from the revenues required for new investment and changes in operating costs.

The timing of these converging costs is significant. Unlike the Connecticut's electric utilities, CNG does not have a Rate Adjustment Mechanism (known as the "RAM") that allows certain public policy costs to be addressed more regularly outside of a general base distribution rate case. As a result, costs that are not fully recognized in rates through CNG's most recent base rate proceeding have accumulated over time and now must be addressed in CNG's forthcoming base rate proceeding. Therefore, the CNG Application will reflect not only CNG's future needs, but also costs that have accrued over the last several years. The following chart summarizes the principal components of CNG's proposed revenue increase, distinguishing the expiration of temporary expiring customer credits from underfunded customer assistance costs, system related costs for infrastructure investment, and operating costs:



Beyond the customer credits and customer assistance-program components referenced above, the CNG Application will seek revenues to support continued investment in critical energy infrastructure that delivers direct benefits to customers through the safe, reliable operation of the gas distribution system in accordance with state and federal standards, including new state regulations. A key component of these system investments is the accelerated replacement of non-state-of-the-art mains and services. For customers, this ongoing replacement work aims to mean fewer leaks, fewer service disruptions, and greater confidence in the safety of the gas system in their homes, businesses and neighborhoods. The CNG Application will also address costs for investments already in service and benefiting customers today, and resources needed to continue capital programs to meet CNG's public service obligations through the proposed rate years.

Continued investment is also necessary to address emerging capacity constraints in portions of CNG's natural gas system. As communities grow and demand for gas supply increases, CNG's system requires reinforcements and upgrades to maintain reliability for existing customers and to connect new homes and businesses. Without timely recovery of investment, these constraints can limit CNG's ability to serve new housing, businesses, and other development, potentially creating barriers to community growth and economic development. CNG's proposed investments are intended to address these needs before constraints become more significant, so that existing customers continue to receive safe and reliable service, new customers can be connected without undue delay, and the communities CNG serves can continue to grow. CNG's proposal will also include investment in clean

energy innovation through a long-term plan for development of an Underground Thermal Energy Networks pilot project.

In addition to capital investments, the CNG Application will address operating expense increases experienced since CNG's most recent rate application and other factors. The CNG Application will propose additional staffing across multiple functions to support safe and reliable service, improve customer experience and fulfill compliance obligations. Two key areas requiring additional resources are increased union-sourced staffing in gas operations and the call center. Additional gas operations resources will support compliance with enhanced regulatory requirements and timely field work, system maintenance, new service connections, appointments, and responses to gas emergencies. Additional call center positions are intended to reduce wait times, improve first-contact resolution, and strengthen assistance with billing questions, payment arrangements and enrollment in available assistance programs.

CNG recognizes that any proposed increase in rates may be difficult for many households and businesses to handle, regardless of the merits of the factors driving the need for a rate increase. Addressing affordability concerns requires both near-term relief and a long-term strategy for keeping bills manageable and predictable. Short-term measures can provide meaningful benefits, particularly for customers who need assistance the most. However, those measures should be sustainably funded so that costs do not simply accumulate or shift to future rates and future customer bills. CNG is committed to working with PURA and other stakeholders to balance near-term customer assistance with the resources necessary to maintain safe, reliable and affordable service for customers over time.[2]

[2] As part of that approach, CNG will be implementing a five-tier low-income discount rate pursuant to the final decision in Docket No. 26-02-06, designed to provide targeted relief to customers with the greatest need. Customers who are concerned about paying their bills are encouraged to contact CNG to learn about payment arrangements and available assistance programs.

Required Filing Information

As required by R.C.S.A. §§16-1-22(b) and 16-1-53a, and by Paragraph 1.1 of PURA's Standard Filing Requirements for Large Public Utility Companies ("SFRs"), CNG provides the following information:

1. In its application, CNG will request PURA to approve recovery of a distribution operating revenue deficiency for the 12-month rate year beginning December 1, 2027, with amended rates designed to provide additional revenues of approximately $86 million. Rate Year Two will commence on the 12-month rate year beginning December 1, 2028, with amended rates designed to provide additional incremental revenues of approximately $18 million as compared to Rate Year One. This would represent an average increase of approximately 19 percent over currently authorized total revenues for all customers and rate classes combined, and approximately 39 percent over currently authorized delivery revenues for Rate Year One. Rate Year Two represents an average increase of approximately 4 percent over proposed Rate Year One total revenues for all customers and rate classes combined, and approximately 6 percent over proposed Rate Year One delivery revenues.

2. The CNG Application will result in various changes to CNG's tariffs and rate design. The exact nature of any changes will ultimately depend upon the nature of the allocations that PURA determines in this and other related proceedings.

3. The service area to be included in the application consists of the 25 municipalities in CNG's franchise area and all customers served by the Company.

4. A list of the municipalities to be included in the CNG Application and the names and addresses of the municipal chief executive officers to whom this notice was sent is shown in Exhibit A.

5. The test year is January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2025, and the date certain test year end date is December 31, 2025.

Consistent with Paragraph 1.2 of the SFRs, CNG is providing copies of this Notice of Intent today by electronic mail or personal delivery to the Governor of the State of Connecticut, the chief executive officers of every municipality located within CNG's franchise area, and the Office of Consumer Counsel.

Very truly yours,



Franklyn D. Reynolds
President and Chief Executive Officer
UIL Holdings Corporation

cc: The Honorable Ned Lamont, Governor
Municipal Officials – Exhibit A
Claire E. Coleman, Consumer Counsel

Exhibit A

CNG Municipal Officials

Municipality	Town	Name	Title	E-Mail
Andover*	Town of Andover 17 School Road Andover, CT 06232	Jeffrey J. Maguire	First Selectman	jmaguire@andoverct.org
Andover*	Town of Andover 17 School Road Andover, CT 06232	Matthew Streeter	Town Administrator	townadministrator@andoverct.org
Avon	Town of Avon 60 West Main Street Avon, CT 06001	Brandon L. Robertson	Town Manager	brobertson@avonct.gov
Avon	Town of Avon 60 West Main Street Avon, CT 06001	Grace Tiezzi	Assistant to the Town Manager	gtiezzi@avonct.gov
Berlin	Town of Berlin 240 Kensington Road Berlin, CT 06037	Mark Kaczynski	Mayor	mkaczynski@berlinct.gov

Municipality	Town	Name	Title	E-Mail
Berlin	Town of Berlin 240 Kensington Road Berlin, CT 06037	Ryan Curley	Town Manager	rcurley@berlinct.gov
Bloomfield	Town of Bloomfield 800 Bloomfield Avenue Bloomfield, CT 06002	Anthony C. Harrington	Mayor	aharrington@bloomfieldct.gov
Bloomfield	Town of Bloomfield 800 Bloomfield Avenue Bloomfield, CT 06002	Alvin D. Schwapp, Jr.	Town Manager	Aschwapp@bloomfieldct.gov
Bolton	Town of Bolton 222 Bolton Center Road Bolton, CT 06043	Rodney Fournier	First Selectman	rfournier@boltonct.gov
Bolton	Town of Bolton 222 Bolton Center Road Bolton, CT 06043	Jim Rupert	Town Administrator	jrupert@boltonct.gov
Burlington	Town of Burlington - Town Hall 200 Spielman Highway Burlington, CT 06013	Douglas Thompson	First Selectman	thompson.d@burlingtonct.gov

Municipality	Town	Name	Title	E-Mail
Canton	Town of Canton Canton Town Hall 4 Market Street Collinsville, CT 06022	Kevin Witkos	First Selectman	kwitkos@townofcantonct.org
Canton	Town of Canton Canton Town Hall 4 Market Street Collinsville, CT 06022	Mark Penney	Chief Administrative Officer	mpenney@townofcantonct.org
Coventry	Town of Coventry Coventry Town Hall 1712 Main St. Coventry, CT 06238	James Drumm	Town Manager	jdrumm@coventry-ct.gov
East Granby*	Town of East Granby 9 Center Street East Granby, CT 06026	Jason Hayes	First Selectperson	jasonh@egtownhall.com
East Hampton	Town of East Hampton - Town Hall 20 East High Street East Hampton, CT 06424	David Cox	Town Manager	dcox@easthamptonct.gov

Municipality	Town	Name	Title	E-Mail
East Hartford	Town of East Hartford 740 Main Street East Hartford, CT 06108	Connor Martin	Mayor	cmartin@easthartfordct.gov
Farmington	Town of Farmington - Town Hall 1 Monteith Drive Farmington, CT 06032	Kathleen A. Blonski	Town Manager	blonskik@farmington-ct.org
Glastonbury	Town of Glastonbury - Town Hall 2155 Main Street Glastonbury, CT 06033	Jonathan Luiz	Town Manager	jonathan.luiz@glastonbury-ct.gov
Granby	Town of Granby - Town Hall 15 North Granby Road Granby, CT 06035	Mike Walsh	Town Manager	townofgranby@granby-ct.gov
Granby	Town of Granby - Town Hall 15 North Granby Road Granby, CT 06035	Mark H. Fiorentino	First Selectman	mfiorentino@granby-ct.gov
Greenwich	Town of Greenwich - Town Hall 101 Field Point Road Greenwich, CT 06830	Fred Camillo	First Selectman	Fred.Camillo@greenwichct.gov

Municipality	Town	Name	Title	E-Mail
Hartford	City of Hartford 550 Main Street Hartford, CT 06103	Arunan Arulampalam	Mayor	arunan.arulampalam@hartford.gov
Hartford	City of Hartford 550 Main Street Hartford, CT 06103	James Woulfe	Chief of Staff	James.Woulfe@hartford.gov
Hebron	Town of Hebron Town Office Building 15 Gilead Street Hebron, CT 06248	Marc Strange	Town Manager	mstrange@hebronct.gov
Manchester	Town of Manchester 41 Center Street Manchester, CT 06040	Jay Moran	Mayor	jmoran@manchesterct.gov
Manchester	Town of Manchester 41 Center Street Manchester, CT 06040	Steve Stephanou	Town Manager	sstephanou@manchesterct.gov

Municipality	Town	Name	Title	E-Mail
Mansfield	Town of Mansfield Audrey P. Beck Municipal Building 4 South Eagleville Road Mansfield, CT 06268	Amanda Backhaus	Interim Town Manager	TownMngr@mansfieldct.org
Mansfield	Town of Mansfield Audrey P. Beck Municipal Building 4 South Eagleville Road Mansfield, CT 06268	Antonia Moran	Mayor	MoranT@mansfieldct.org
New Britain	City of New Britain 27 West Main Street New Britain, CT 06051	Robert "Bobby" Sanchez	Mayor	Mayor@NewBritainCT.gov
Newington	Town of Newington 131 Cedar Street Newington, CT 06111-2644	Jon Trister	Mayor	jtrister@newingtonct.gov
Newington	Town of Newington 200 Garfield Street Newington, CT 06111	Lauren Rhines	Acting Town Manager	lrhines@newingtonct.gov

Municipality	Town	Name	Title	E-Mail
Plainville*	Town of Plainville Plainville Municipal Center One Central Square Plainville, CT 06062	Michael Paulhus	Town Manager	paulhus@plainville-ct.gov
Portland	Town of Portland 33 East Main Street P.O. Box 71 Portland, CT 06480-0071	Michael A. Pelton	First Selectman	mpelton@portlandct.org
Rocky Hill	Town of Rocky Hill 761 Old Main Street Rocky Hill, CT 06067	Allan Smith	Mayor	asmith@rockyhillct.gov
Rocky Hill	Town of Rocky Hill 761 Old Main Street Rocky Hill, CT 06067	Ray Carpentino	Town Manager	rcarpentino@rockyhillct.gov
Simsbury	Town of Simsbury 933 Hopmeadow Street Simsbury, CT 06070	Wendy Mackstutis	First Selectman	wmackstutis@simsbury-ct.gov

Municipality	Town	Name	Title	E-Mail
Simsbury	Town of Simsbury 933 Hopmeadow Street Simsbury, CT 06070	Marc Nelson	Town Manager	Marcnelson@simsbury-ct.gov
South Windsor*	Town of South Windsor South Windsor Town Hall 1540 Sullivan Avenue South Windsor, CT 06074	Craig Zimmerman	Mayor	Craig.Zimmerman@southwindsor-ct.gov
South Windsor*	Town of South Windsor South Windsor Town Hall 1540 Sullivan Avenue South Windsor, CT 06074	Michael Maniscalco	Town Manager	michael.maniscalco@southwindsor.org
Stamford*	City of Stamford Stamford Government Center, 10th Floor 888 Washington Boulevard Stamford, CT 06901	Caroline Simmons	Mayor	MayorsOffice@stamfordct.gov

Municipality	Town	Name	Title	E-Mail
Vernon*	Town of Vernon Vernon Town Hall, Third Floor 14 Park Place Vernon, CT 06066	Daniel A. Champagne	Mayor	dchampagne@vernon-ct.gov
Vernon*	Town of Vernon Vernon Town Hall, Third Floor 14 Park Place Vernon, CT 06066	John Kleinhans	Town Administrator	jkleinhans@vernon-ct.gov
West Hartford	Town of West Hartford 50 South Main Street West Hartford, CT 06107	Shari Cantor	Mayor	Mayor@westhartfordct.gov
West Hartford	Town of West Hartford 50 South Main Street West Hartford, CT 06107	Rick Ledwith	Town Manager	TownManager@WestHartfordCT.gov
Wethersfield	Town of Wethersfield 505 Silas Deane Highway Wethersfield, CT 06109	Ken Lesser	Mayor	Ken.Lesser@wethersfieldct.gov

Municipality	Town	Name	Title	E-Mail
Wethersfield	Town of Wethersfield 505 Silas Deane Highway Wethersfield, CT 06109	Frederick Presley	Town Manager	fred.presley@wethersfieldct.gov
Windsor	Town of Windsor - Town Hall 275 Broad Street Windsor, CT 06095	Nuchette Black-Burke	Mayor	black-burke@windsorcouncil.com
Windsor	Town of Windsor - Town Hall 275 Broad Street Windsor, CT 06095	Peter P. Souza	Town Manager	souza@townofwindsorct.com

**CNG has at least one customer but is not the primary provider.*