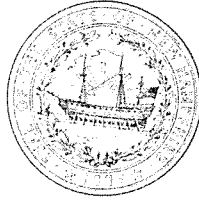


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Re: DW 08-088, Hampstead Area Water Company
Petition for Authority to Borrow Long-Term Debt
Motion to Intervene

Dear Mr. Kalman:

On October 14, 2008, you filed on behalf of the Town of Atkinson in the above-captioned proceeding a Motion to Intervene. You recite the Town's interest in the proceeding in that the proposed franchise area is in the Town of Atkinson. In addition, on October 22, 2008, you filed a notice of a public meeting scheduled by the Town Selectmen for October 30, 2008, indicating that the "Selectmen are optimistic that the scheduling of this public meeting will stay proceedings at least to the point of allowing this public input to be considered prior to a final decision by the Commission."

The Commission has determined that the Town's "rights, duties, privileges, immunities or other substantial interests" may be affected by this docket and has granted the Town's late intervention request. *See*, RSA 541-A:32. As a late intervenor, the Town must accept the procedural posture of this docket at the time of this letter. Accordingly, the hearing scheduled for November 4, 2008 will proceed as scheduled.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Debra A. Howland".

Debra A. Howland
Executive Director

cc: Service List