Town of Atkinson Town Administrator 21 Academy Avenue Atkinson, NH 03811

November 6, 2008

NH Public Utilities Commission 21 S. Fruit Street Suite 10 Concord, NH 03301-2429



Dear Ms. Howland:

On Tuesday, November 4, 2008, I gave oral testimony before the Public Utilities Commission (PUC) concerning the Hampstead Area Water Company's (HAWC) request to extend their existing franchise. The Atkinson Board of Selectmen have questions concerning this request and have made several unsuccessful attempts to meet with the petitioner, Hampstead Area Water Company. This letter is to clarify events as they actually occurred concerning the attempts of the Hampstead Area Water Company's representatives to meet with the Town of Atkinson.

On October 15, 2008, Mr. Harold Morse of HAWC asked to be on the Selectmen's Agenda for October 20th. The Selectmen were pleased that they would finally have an opportunity to discuss HAWC's petition at their Regular Meeting. Unfortunately, Mr. Morse cancelled his appearance at that meeting. Many residents were in attendance to listen to the concerns the Selectmen, as well as Mr. Morse's responses to those concerns.

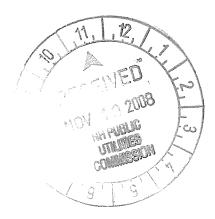
The Selectmen voted to hold another public meeting on October 30, 2008, at the Kimball Library in Atkinson at 7 PM. I have enclosed is a copy of the letter I sent to Mr. Morse, advising him of the meeting and inviting him to come. Once again Mr. Morse did not come to the meeting.

HAWC's attorney, Robert Levine, contacted the Town's attorney, Sumner F. Kalman, to request an executive (private) session with the members of the Board of Selectmen. The Selectmen would not agree to meet in closed session, preferring to look after the public's interest in a public meeting.

The Selectmen still await a forum for replies to their concerns, and are requesting that no decision be made by the PUC until the Hampstead Area Water Company's representatives make themselves available to the Board in a public session in Atkinson in the public's interest

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

ery truly yours, mzelo Steven V. Angelo Town Administrator



Enclosure

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October 23, 2008

Hampstead Area Water Company 54 Sawyer Avenue Atkinson, NH 03811

RE: Public Hearing

Dear Mr. Morse:

The Atkinson Board of Selectmen will hold a public information meeting concerning your application currently before the Public Utility Commission. This forum will be held at the new Kimball Library Meeting Room on Thursday, October 30, 2008, at 7 PM.

The Selectmen have asked me to invite representatives of the Hampstead Area Water Company to attend this public forum. The Board is providing this opportunity for a public discussion to help determine an appropriate position for the Town regarding your current application (#08-088-1).

We look forward to seeing you on Thursday, October 30.

Ingele verely. . Angelo Town Administrator

Cc: D. Howland, Public Utilities Commission C. Bowman, Department of Environmental Services PUC Service List

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