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Debra A. Howland
Executive Director and Secretary
New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission
21 South Fruit Street, Suite 10
Concord, New Hampshire 03301-7319

RE: DW 10-091 Pennichuck Water Works, Inc. – Rate Case
Request for Permission to Excuse Witness from Hearing

Dear Ms. Howland:

Yesterday, Pennichuck Water Works, Inc. (PWW), the Commission Staff, the Office of the Consumer Advocate and Anheuser-Busch filed a settlement agreement for consideration at the hearing on May 26. The agreement includes a resolution of the rate design and cost of service issues in this docket. Consequently, the OCA seeks to have its expert witness, Scott J. Rubin, excused from appearing at the hearing. Also, Mr. Rubin is not available to appear in New Hampshire on May 26. The OCA does intend to call Stephen Eckberg as a witness on the remaining contested issue. It is my understanding that none of the parties oppose the OCA's request to excuse Mr. Rubin.

Thank you for your assistance. Please contact me with any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Rorie E.P. Hollenberg".

Rorie E.P. Hollenberg
OCA Staff Attorney

cc: Service List via electronic mail