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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL AND FIRST CLASS MAIL

Debra Howland, Executive Director & Secretary NH Public Utilities Commission 21 S. Fruit Street, Suite 10 Concord, NH 03301

Re:

Pennichuck Water Works, Inc.

Docket No. DW 15-043, WICA Capital Projects Quarterly Notice of Project Substitution

Dear Ms. Howland,

In accordance with Docket No. DW 15-043, and Pennichuck Water Works, Inc. (PWW or Company), Tariff Page 51, the Company is providing notice of certain project substitutions to reflect changed circumstances. Enclosed is PWW's revised 2015 WICA projects schedule. Please note there are a significant amount of changes to projects in this 3rd quarter reporting compared to the 2nd quarter reporting. These changes are notated in red in the explanation column on the 2015 WICA project schedule attached and they are also summarized below:

- 1) Eighteen projects changed due to the timing or scope of the project work scheduled by the City of Nashua which had an effect on the timing and scope of our projects. These include: Eldridge St., Temple St. (Armory to E. Hollis St. and Armory to Commercial St.), Alds St. at Main St., Field St. at Main St., Fossa Ave. at Main St., Revere St. at Main St., Pratt St. at Main St., Fowell Ave. at Main St., Stevens St. at Main St., Faxon St. at Main St., Buchanan St. at Main St., Lincoln St. at Main St., Russell Ave. at Main St., Taylor St. at Main St., Dickerman St. at Main St., Orchard Ave. at Main St., Main St.
- 2) Seven projects which were originally based on estimated costs have been revised to reflect the current bid amounts. These include: Chestnut Street (Lake to Lovell and Lovell to end), Lovell St. (Chestnut to Ash and Ash to Pine), Marquis Ave. (Lovell Southerly), Foundry St., School St.,
- 3) Three projects needed to be deferred until 2016 due to the shortage of contractors to perform the work. These include: Brook St. (Ash to Fulton), Burritt St. (Brook St. southerly), Lake St. (Pine St. easterly).
- 4) The amount of three projects increased due to the cost of the small diameter main being higher than anticipated. These include: Lovell St. (Easterly of Chestnut to end), Rochette Ave. (Chestnut easterly), Ninth Street.

- 5) There was one emergency water main replacement not previously scheduled on Howard Ave.,
- 6) Another project on Kinsley resulted in additional costs due to additions to the Mulberry St./Eldridge St. shut down for a future extension in Kinsley Street.
- 7) On Ash Street (Lovell to End) there were higher costs because of a conflict with gas and sewer water which was changed from PVC to DIP and the cost of the small diameter main was more than anticipated.

Please note that the overall 2015 WICA dollar amount for which PWW is seeking approval has been reduced from prior quarters. The revised amount is \$4,477,627 and this includes a planning contingency of 10%. Please let me know if you have any questions or need additional information provided.

Sincerely,

Carol Ann Howe, CPA

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Director of Regulatory Affairs, Treasury and Business Services

Enclosure

cc: Office of Consumer Affairs – via electronic mail Jayson Laflamme – via electronic mail