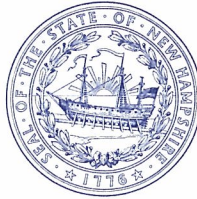


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Re: DW 10-091, Pennichuck Water Works, Inc. (PWW) - Permanent Rate Filing
Staff Recommendation to Grant Request to Waive Certain Filing Requirements

Dear Ms. Howland:

Contemporaneous with its filing for a Permanent Increase in Rates on May 7, 2010, PWW filed a Motion for Waiver of Puc 1604.01(a)(1), which requests the submission of internal financial reports. PWW states that it seeks this waiver because it has previously filed its internal financial reports with the Commission and that these reports are voluminous. PWW further requested a waiver from Puc 1604.01(a)(18) concerning the requirement to submit balance sheets and income statements in that PWW files monthly financial statements with the Commission. Finally, PWW seeks a waiver from the requirements Puc 1604.01(a)(25) concerning information on the Parent Company on the basis that these documents are on file with the Commission as well as being voluminous.

The Staff has reviewed the motion for waiver and recommends the Commission grant the waivers to Puc 1604.01(a)(1), 1604.01(a)(18), and 1604.01(a)(25). Staff believes granting the waivers serves the public interest because the information necessary to conduct a thorough review of the PWW's rate filing is already publicly available at the Commission or will be available through discovery in the instant docket. Staff does not believe granting the waiver will disrupt the orderly conduct of the proceeding.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Marcia A. B. Thunberg".

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