



The State of New Hampshire
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES



Thomas S. Burack, Commissioner

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Debra A. Howland, Executive Director
N.H. Public Utilities Commission
21 South Fruit Street, Suite 10
Concord, NH 03301

Subject: Joint Petition to Modify Franchise
Pennichuck East Utility, Inc. and Manchester Water Works (PWS 1471010)
Opinion of Suitability and Availability per NH RSA 374:22, III

Dear Ms. Howland:

We have reviewed our records and hereby confirm that the subject public water system meets the suitability and availability criteria of NH RSA 374:22 III, for expansion of water service to three residential lots in the Town of Litchfield located on Charles Bancroft Highway and known as Map 23, Lots 33, 34, and 35.

In addition, the Department of Environmental Services supports Pennichuck East Utility, Inc. (PEU) and Manchester Water Works' (MWW) request to modify PEU's franchise to allow MWW to provide water service to the three lots identified above.

Please contact me at 271-2948 if you have any questions or need any additional information.

Sincerely,

Richard Skarinka, PE
Engineering and Survey Section
Drinking Water and Groundwater Bureau

Cc: Marcia Brown, NH Brown Law
Phillip Croasdale, Manchester Water Works
Donald Ware, Pennichuck Corporation