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August 30, 2018

Debra A. Howland Executive Director Public Utilities Commission 21 South Fruit Street, Suite 10, Concord, N. H. 03301-2429

Re: DW 17-118 Hampstead Area Water Company's ("HAWC" or "Company") proposed surcharge to recover temporary / permanent rate reconciliation and rate case expenditures

Dear Ms. Howland:

In accordance with PUC Order No. 26,165 dated July 31, 2018 the PUC ordered that "HAWC shall file within 30 days of the date of this order, documentation of the difference between temporary rates which went into effect October 17, 2017, and permanent rates as finally determined herein and file a proposed surcharge for recovering the difference from customers; and it is further ordered, that HAWC shall file its first rate case expense request pursuant to PUC 1905.02 and the terms of the Settlement Agreement no later than 30 days from the date of this order."

The Company is proposing a monthly surcharge of \$8.47 for the recovery of \$157,593. In support of the Company's proposed surcharge, the Company is providing a Temporary Rate Recoupment schedules, which shows the calculations of the temporary / permanent rate reconciliation. Also, the Company is providing a Deferred Rate Case Expenses schedule, which summarizes the rate case expenditures by date, vendor, amount and cumulative amount. The individual invoices that support the rate case expenditures are also attached. At the bottom of the Deferred Rate Case Expenses schedule, the Company combines the temporary / permanent reconciliation amount and the rate case expenditures to total an amount to be recovered and develops the surcharge to be billed to customers.

HAWC respectfully requests that the Staff of the PUC reviews the schedules, the supporting documentation, and the proposed surcharge and draft its recommendation. HAWC would appreciate having an opportunity to review the recommendation before it is filed with the Commission. HAWC would further appreciate the Commission's review and approval of the recommendation.

If you, the Commissioners, PUC Staff and / or any other parties have questions and comments, please contact John Sullivan at John@hampsteadwater.com or 603-362-5333.

Sincerely,

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