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

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Re: DW 17-118 Hampstead Area Water Company's ("HAWC" or "Company") proposed surcharge to recover rate case expenditures associated with ROE Step Adjustment

Dear Ms. Howland:

In accordance with PUC Order No. 26,195 dated November 28, 2018 the PUC ordered that "HAWC shall file Its final rate case expense request pursuant to N.H. Code Rules Puc 1905.02, and the terms of the ROE Settlement, no later than 30 days of the date of this order."

The Company is proposing a surcharge for one month of 5.60 for the recovery of 220,580.82. In support of the Company's proposed surcharge, the Company is providing a ROE Rate Expense schedules, 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 shows the total of the rate case expenditures to be recovered and develops the surcharge to be billed to customers. This one-time surcharge will be billed to the customers after the 5 monthly surcharges from PUC Order # 26,185 are billed.

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, Robert C. Levine,

General Counsel

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