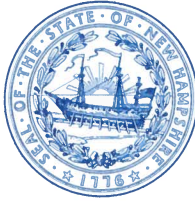


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Ms. Debra A. Howland
Executive Director
New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission
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RE: DW 18-026 Abenaki Water Company, Hampstead Area Water Company and Lakes Region
Water Company
Joint Petition for Declaratory Ruling or Rulemaking regarding the Return of Equity for
Small Water Systems

Dear Ms. Howland:

Pursuant to the Inter-agency Memorandum of Understanding dated April 28, 2000 between the Office of Consumer Advocate (OCA) and the Commission, the OCA hereby notifies the Commission that it will be participating in the above-referenced matter on behalf of residential ratepayers consistent with RSA 363:28.

Please add D. Maurice Kreis, Brian Buckley, Dr. Pradip Chattopadhyay, James Brennan and ocalitigation@oca.nh.gov to your service list. Please also include the OCA on the distribution list for any Memoranda or Staff Recommendations filed in this docket. Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "D. Maurice Kreis".

D. Maurice Kreis
Consumer Advocate

cc: Service List via electronic mail