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

Re: Docket No. DW 18-099

Town of Derry Request for Franchise Approval in Londonderry

Dear Director Howland:

I write on behalf of my client, Lorden Commons, LLC ("Lorden"). Lorden is the owner and developer of Lorden Commons, a multi-phase development located in the Town of Londonderry. The final phases of Lorden's project are the subject matter of the docket number referenced docket which Derry submitted last summer with the support of the Town of Londonderry. I think you would agree the cooperation between Derry and Londonderry is a positive example of municipalities working together to ensure safe and clean water in New Hampshire.

In light of the above, I write to respectfully request the Commission's urgent action on this matter. Lorden secured all local approvals for the final phases of its project last year and has its site contractors waiting to extend the municipal water line to its project once the PUC approves this franchise. This is the last approval required for Lorden to move forward with the project and to date, Lorden has rescheduled its site contractors twice and soon may lose them to other projects.

While my client understands the Commission's review of a franchise takes time, the delays associated with this approval are having a detrimental effect on the Lorden's project because construction was due to start in early March.

Due to the substantial work associated with extending the water line to its project, and because the Town of Londonderry will not allow any work to begin on Lorden's project until the PUC approves Derry's franchise, my client is very concerned its project may need to be delayed until next year which they are trying to avoid.

We greatly appreciate your time and attention to this approval request, we felt it was important to communicate with you to emphasize the importance of this approval issuing soon.

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Sincerely yours,

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