

September 12, 2018

Re: PUC Order of Notice dated August 21, 2018 in DW 18-108

"FURTHER ORDERED, that pursuant to N. H. Code Admin. Rules PUC 203.12, the joint petitioners shall notify all persons desiring to be heard at this hearing by mailing a copy of this Order no later than August 31, 2018, to all current and known prospective customers of Tioga River as well as the Clerks of the Towns of Belmont and Gilford, New Hampshire, by first class U.S. mail, postmarked no later than September 14, 2018 and documented by affidavit filed with the Commission on or before September 24, 2018."

### **Affidavit**

The undersigned declares that Abenaki Water Company ("Company") has complied with the above order. On August 30, 2018 the Company mailed the Order of Notice to all customers as well as the town clerks of Belmont and Gilford by first class mail.

Pauline Doucette President

cc: Justin Richardson

State of New Hampshire, County of Bellenap

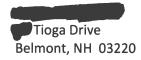
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GAYLE B. COOK, Notary Public State of New Hampshire My Commission Expires May 17, 2022



August 30, 2018



RE: Docket DW 18-108 PUC Order of Notice

Dear Tioga River Water Customer:

Abenaki Water Company (AWC) and Tioga River Water Company (TRWC) have come to an agreement and filed a joint Petition for Abenaki Water Company to acquire Tioga River Water Company. The NH Public Utilities Commission has issued the enclosed Order of Notice in regards to the above-referenced docket filed.

AWC is located in Gilford, NH and currently operates 3 public water systems located in the Lakes Region, Bow and Bretton Woods. We also manage 10 unregulated water systems and have a staff of certified water operators.

The Board of Directors and staff of AWC are looking forward to working with TRWC customers in the future. If you have any questions regarding the Order of Notice issued or the acquisition please feel free to call the office at 603-293-8580.

Sincerely,

Pauline Doucette President

## THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

#### DW 18-108

# ABENAKI WATER CO., INC. TIOGA RIVER WATER COMPANY, INC.

# Petition for Transfer of Utility Assets and Franchise and for Related Approvals ORDER OF NOTICE

On July 26, 2018, Abenaki Water Co., Inc. ("Abenaki") and Tioga River Water Company, Inc. ("Tioga River") (together, "the joint petitioners") filed with the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission ("Commission") a joint petition seeking: (1) approval to transfer Tioga River's water utility assets and franchises to Abenaki; (2) approval for Tioga River to discontinue operations as a public utility, following the transfer; (3) approval for Abenaki to assume Tioga River's existing New Hampshire State Revolving Fund (SRF) loan obligations; and (4) approval for Abenaki to modify Tioga River's existing tariff to provide for monthly billing.

The petition and subsequent docket filings, other than information for which confidential treatment is requested of or granted by the Commission, will be posted to the Commission's website at <a href="http://www.puc.nh.gov/Regulatory/Docketbk/2018/18-108.html">http://www.puc.nh.gov/Regulatory/Docketbk/2018/18-108.html</a>.

Abenaki is a New Hampshire corporation authorized to operate as a public water utility and a public sewer utility in the State of New Hampshire. Abenaki provides water service to approximately 670 customers on 3 separate systems; one each in Bow, Belmont, and Carroll, New Hampshire.

**FURTHER ORDERED**, that, immediately following the Prehearing Conference,

Abenaki, Tioga River, the Staff of the Commission and any Intervenors hold a Technical Session to review the petition and establish a procedural schedule; and it is

FURTHER ORDERED, that pursuant to N.H. Code Admin. Rules Puc 203.12, the joint petitioners shall notify all persons desiring to be heard at this hearing by mailing a copy of this Order of Notice no later than August 31, 2018, to all current and known prospective customers of Tioga River as well as the Clerks of the Towns of Belmont and Gilford, New Hampshire, by first class U.S. Mail, postmarked no later than September 14, 2018 and documented by affidavit filed with the Commission on or before September 24, 2018; and it is

FURTHER ORDERED, that pursuant to N.H. Code Admin. Rules Puc 203.17, any party seeking to intervene in the proceeding shall submit to the Commission seven copies of a petition to intervene with copies sent to the joint petitioners and the Office of the Consumer Advocate on or before September 24, 2018, such petition stating the facts demonstrating how its rights, duties, privileges, immunities or other substantial interest may be affected by the proceeding, as required by N.H. Code Admin. Rule Puc 203.17 and RSA 541-A: 32, I (b); and it is

**FURTHER ORDERED**, that any party objecting to a petition to intervene make said objection on or before September 26, 2018.

#### SERVICE LIST - EMAIL ADDRESSES - DOCKET RELATED

Pursuant to N.H. Admin Rule Puc 203.11(a) (1): Serve an electronic copy on each person identified on the service list.

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### **FILING INSTRUCTIONS:**

a) Pursuant to N.H. Admin Rule Puc 203.02 (a), with the exception of Discovery, file 7 copies, as well as an electronic copy, of all documents including cover letter with: DEBRAAHOWLAND

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- b) Serve an electronic copy with each person identified on the Commission's service list and with the Office of Consumer Advocate.
- c) Serve a written copy on each person on the service list not able to receive electronic mail.