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Ms. Debra Howland
Executive Director and Secretary
New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission
21 South Fruit Street
Concord, NH 03301

Re: DT 19-117 (Petition of Granite State Telephone, Inc.)

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Dear Ms. Howland:

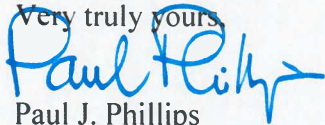
I write on behalf of Granite State Telephone, Inc. ("GST") regarding the recommendation from Staff filed yesterday in the above-referenced proceeding. GST thanks the Staff for recommending approval of GST's petition by the Commission.

GST has two requests regarding the recommendation, which GST hopes the Commission can accommodate. First, as to the proposed notification, GST notes that the Staff has recommended delivery of the Commission's Summary Order to the Town Clerk of Washington, along with the Town Clerks in Stoddard and Chester. The exchange boundary adjustments involved in this case do not include any new areas in the Town of Washington. Rather, the adjustments will only affect areas in the Towns of Stoddard and Chester. So as to avoid any confusion, GST asks that it not be required to deliver notice of the Commission's Order *Nisi* to the Town Clerk in Washington.

Second, the principals at GST advise me that key staff members involved in the compliance and notification process will be away at the beginning of August. For this reason, they respectfully ask that the Commission issue its Order *Nisi* no sooner than August 5, 2019 so as to avoid triggering the recommended compliance and notification deadlines while the GST staff is unavailable to take timely action.

Thank you for your understanding. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,


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