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September 23, 2019

RE: DT 19-117, Granite State Telephone, Inc.
Order No. 26,288

To the Parties:

Enclosed is revised page 2 of Order No. 26,288 (dated August 20, 2019). On page 2, line 14, it has been expanded to "GST requested that its service territory boundary be modified to include portions of Valley Drive, Beach Road, and East Shore Drive along the eastern and western shores of Highland Lake, as shown on the map submitted with its filing."

All other portions of this order remain unchanged.

Please substitute the enclosed revised page to your copy of Order No. 26,288.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Debra A. Howland" with a stylized flourish at the end.

Debra A. Howland
Executive Director

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an ELEC. Its basic franchise territory, as relevant here, also includes portions of Stoddard and Chester.

Commission Staff (Staff) filed a memorandum on July 23, 2019, recommending approval of GST's petition. The petition and subsequent docket filings, other than information for which confidential treatment is requested of or granted by the Commission, are posted on the Commission's website at <http://puc.nh.gov/Regulatory/Docketbk/2019/19-117.html>.

II. POSITIONS

A. GST

GST requested modification of two of its existing service territory boundaries. The first boundary is the same as the municipal border separating the Towns of Washington and Stoddard. *See* Petition (Pet.), Attachment A. GST's basic franchise territory includes the northern part of Highland Lake in the Town of Washington. The southern part of Highland Lake, in the Town of Stoddard, is in Consolidated's basic franchise territory.

GST requested that its service territory boundary be modified to include portions of Valley Drive, Beach Road, and East Shore Drive along the eastern and western shores of Highland Lake, as shown on the map submitted with its filing. In its petition, GST explained that, with the consent of Consolidated and Consolidated's predecessors, GST has been providing service to customers along the eastern and western shores of the southern part of Highland Lake in Stoddard since 1975 or earlier. It noted that there are approximately 96 locations in this area.

GST asserted that this boundary modification would adjust GST's basic franchise territory to reflect its agreement with Consolidated that GST may continue to provide service to the 96 locations in the proposed transfer area. According to GST, the modification would not involve the conveyance of any utility assets.