## STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

PETITION FOR APPROVAL OF PERMANENT RATES AND	) ) )
PROPOSED TARIFF REVISIONS	) DOCKET NO. DW 20-071
ATKINSON AREA WASTE WATER RECYLCING, INC.	) )
Petitioner	) )

## MOTION FOR CONFIDENTIAL TREATMENT AND PROTECTIVE ORDER

Atkinson Area Waste Water Recycling, Inc. ("AAWW" or the "Company") respectfully moves the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission (the "Commission") to grant a protective order for certain confidential information contained in the Company's "Petition for Approval of Permanent Rates and Proposed Tariff Revisions" pursuant to R.S.A. 91-A:5(IV) and NH. Admin Rules, Puc 201.04(b) and (c), and Puc 203.08.

In support of this motion, AAWW states as follows:

- 1. AAWW filed a rate case proceeding and N.H. Admin. Rule Puc (hereafter "Puc")

  1604.01(b) requires the Company to provide supporting information, contents,
  and documents. AAWW deems some of the information required by Puc 1604(b)
  to be confidential.
- 2. Specifically, Puc 1604.01(b)(9) (payments to related entities for contractual services) and Puc 1604.01(b)(15) (support for figures appearing...in accompanying exhibits) requires AAWW to provide data from a

- Management/Service/Rental Agreement it has with related entities for the test period within Exhibits 1 and 2 of Schedule A of said Agreement. AAWW is providing this information at Tabs 22 of its rate case filing.
- 3. Pursuant to Puc 203.08 (a) "the commission shall upon motion issue a protective order providing for confidential treatment of one or more documents upon a finding that the document or documents are entitled to such treatment pursuant to RSA 91-A:5, or other applicable law..."
- 4. The Commission employs a multi-part analysis to determine whether certain information qualifies for confidential treatment: (1) whether the information sought is confidential, commercial, or financial information; and (2) whether disclosure of that information would constitute an invasion of privacy.

  \*\*EnergyNorth Natural Gas, Inc. d/b/a National Grid NH, DG 10-017, Order No. 25-208 at 7-8 (March 23, 2011). An invasion of privacy analysis, in turn, requires an evaluation of three factors: (1) whether there is a privacy interest at stake that would be invaded by disclosure; (2) whether there is public interest in disclosure; and (3) a balance of the public's interest in disclosure and the interests in nondisclosure. \*\*Lamv v. N.H. Pub. Util. Comm'n, 152 N.H. 106, 109 (2005)
- 5. RSA 91-A:5(IV) expressly exempts from public disclosure requirements of any "records pertaining to...confidential, commercial or financial information..."

  RSA 91-A:5 (IV).

6. The proposed agreement falls within RSA 91-A:5(IV) exemption because they are confidential commercial or financial information that reveals terms of such

management and billing services.

7. For these reasons, AAWW requests that the Commission issue a protective order

granting this motion and protecting from public disclosure the information

identified in this motion that the Company asserts is confidential.

8. The parts of the Management/Service/Rental Agreement the Company asserts is

confidential, which is contained in Exhibits 1 and 2 of Schedule A of said

Agreement, are attached to this Motion and submitted pursuant to Puc 201.04(b)

and (c).

WHEREFORE, Atkinson Area Waste Water Recycling, Inc., respectfully requests the

Commission grant this motion and issue an order protecting from public disclosure the

information identified in this motion that the Company asserts is confidential.

Respectfully submitted,

ATKINSON AREA WASTE WATER RECYCLING, INC.

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Submission pursuant to Puc 201.04(b) and (c).