

Monday, October 18, 2021

Dianne Martin, Chairwoman
N.H. Department of Energy/Public Utilities Commission
21 South Fruit Street, Suite 10
Concord, NH 03301

Re: DW 20-112
Permanent Rate Proceeding
Remote Hearing Attendance Request

Dear Chairwoman Martin:

On October 13, 2021, the Commission issued hearing guidelines in this proceeding and also set a hearing date of November 2, 2021 to consider Abenaki Water Company, Inc.'s response to the Commission's record request. The records were filed on October 7, 2021.

The multiple dockets concerning Abenaki Water Company. This time requirements of this rate case (DW 20-112) and the acquisition case (DW 21-090) as well as our individual employment constraints, multiple submission deadlines, etc have been extremely confusing for us, especially without specific legal representation.

In our confusion, we apparently missed Friday's submission deadline to request remote attendance for the DW 20-112 hearing. However, the short notice of the modified procedural schedule and again requiring in-person attendance creates a number of issues for us (especially our ill, elderly, and immuno-compromised intervenors).

In order to minimize any COVID-19 exposure risk and to allow more of the intervenors to attend the 9 AM hearing pursuant to the hearing guidelines, the intervenors representing the Tioga Belmont and Village Shores Estates, Bow request that to be allowed to remotely participate in the hearing.

Moreover, aside from health and mobility concerns, some of the intervenors who would like to attend remotely have technical limitations. They do not have video capabilities on their computer. However, they do have the capability to call into the hearing from cell phones or land lines (to assure the best connection where cell service can be problematic at times). Please advise if this is permissible. Thank you.

Respectfully,

The Representative for the Village Shores Estates, Bow and Tioga, Belont Intervenors

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George Woodruff: George Woodruff

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