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Debra A. Howland, Executive Director
New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission
21 South Fruit Street, Suite 10
Concord, NH 03301

Re: Docket No. DW 20-117 – Hampstead Area Water Company, Inc.
Request for Change in Rates
Report on Technical Session

Dear Executive Director Howland:

The Commission held a prehearing conference in the above-mentioned matter on February 10, 2021. Attendees at the prehearing conference included Hampstead Area Water Company, Inc. (HAWC or the Company), the Office of Consumer Advocate (OCA), intervenor Town of Atkinson, intervenor Karen Steele, and Commission Staff (Staff) (collectively the Participants).

At that prehearing conference, the Commission tasked the Participants with resolution of certain concerns the OCA raised, to be addressed at the technical session to follow. Specifically, the Commission required the Participants to address two concerns regarding HAWC's November 24, 2020 filing: (1) its searchable nature; and (2) its indication of confidential material.

The Participants discussed the matter, during the February 10 technical session and follow-up technical session on February 17. As a result, HAWC agreed to replace its November 24, 2020 filing entirely, both its redacted and confidential versions.

On March 10, 2021, HAWC filed its assented-to motion to replace the filing, along with a fully-searchable redacted and confidential version of its rate case filing. With that filing, the Participants agree that the documents are now satisfactory. The Participants furthermore, agree that the confidential material is properly indicated pursuant to N.H. Admin. R., Puc 201.04 (b) and (c). As such, the Participants request that the Commission approve the Company's March 10, 2021 motion.

The Participants have also agreed upon the following procedural schedule:

Temporary Rates:

2.24.21	Data Requests – Set 1
3.10.21	Responses – Set 1
3.17.21	Technical Session @ 9
3.18.21	Technical Session Data Requests
3.24.21	Responses to Technical Session Data Requests
5.14.21	File Settlement on Temporary Rates
5.21.21	Hearing on Temporary Rates @ 10

Permanent Rates:

5.20.21	Data Requests – Set 2
6.3.21	Responses – Set 2
6.17.21	Data Requests – Set 3
7.1.21	Responses – Set 3
7.8.21	Technical Session/Settlement Conference @ 9
7.9.21	Technical Session Data Requests
7.15.21	Responses to Technical Session Data Requests
7.29.21	Data Requests – Set 4
8.12.21	Responses – Set 4
8.26.21	Data Requests – Set 5
9.9.21	Responses – Set 5
9.23.21	Technical Session/Settlement Conference/Cost of Service Discussion @ 9
9.24.21	Technical Session Data Requests
9.30.21	Responses to Technical Session Data Requests

Settlement Track:

12.9.21	File Settlement on Permanent Rates
12.16.21	Hearing on Settlement @ 10

Litigation Track:

11.18.21	Staff and Intervenor Testimony
12.2.21	Data Requests – Staff and Intervenor Testimony
12.16.21	Responses – Staff and Intervenor Testimony
1.6.22	Technical Session/Settlement Conference @ 9
2.3.22	File Settlement or Rebuttal Testimony
2.9.22 & 2.10.22	Hearing on Permanent Rates @ 10

On behalf of the Company, the OCA, and the intervenors, Staff respectfully requests that the Commission approve this procedural schedule.

Sincerely,

/s/ Christopher R. Tuomala

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cc: Service List (electronically)