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Dianne Martin, Chairwoman
New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission
21 South Fruit Street
Concord, NH 03301-2429

Re: Docket No. DW 20-117 (Hampstead Area Water Company, Inc.)
Request for Change in Rates
Request to Amend Procedural Schedule

Dear Chairwoman Martin:

On September 23, 2021, the following recognized parties met in technical session for the above-mentioned docket: Hampstead Area Water Company, Inc.; the Office of the Consumer Advocate; the Town of Hampstead; the Town of Atkinson; and the Department of Energy (Energy or the Department) (collectively the Attendees). The remaining recognized intervenors Ms. Sarah Theriault and the Town of Danville did not attend.

At that technical session, the Attendees discussed, among other things, the possibility of settlement. The Attendees recognized, however, that in order to achieve possible settlement, discovery responses an additional technical session, and additional time to file testimony is required.

To that end, the Department, on behalf of the Attendees, propose the following amendment of the Litigation Track of the procedural schedule previously approved by the Commission by Secretarial Letter on March 18, 2021:

October 26, 2021	Technical Session/Settlement Conference @ 9
December 16, 2021	Staff and Intervenor Testimony
January 6, 2022	Data Requests – Staff and Intervenor Testimony
January 25, 2022	Responses – Staff and Intervenor Testimony
February 3, 2022	Technical Session/Settlement Conference @ 9
March 8, 2022	File Settlement or Rebuttal Testimony
March 15, 2022	Hearing on Permanent Rates

The Department notes that at the time of this filing, the Town of Danville and Ms. Sarah Theriault did not respond to the Department’s request for a response to the proposed adjustment. No other party objected to the proposal.

Energy, on behalf of the Attendees, respectfully requests that the Commission approve the proposed amended procedural schedule for this proceeding.

I certify that a copy of this letter will be served electronically on the parties on the service list at the same time it is filed with the Commission.

Sincerely,

/s/ Christopher R. Tuomala

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