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By email (ClerksOffice@puc.nh.gov)

Daniel C. Goldner, Chairman New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission 21 South Fruit Street Concord, N. H. 03301-2429

Re: The Hampstead Area Water Company, Inc. - Request for Change in Rates Docket No. DW 20-117

## Dear Chairman Goldner:

The Hampstead Area Water Company, Inc., ("HAWC") respectfully requests that the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission ("NHPUC") issue an order approving the proposed temporary rates for HAWC by no later than January 17, 2022 so that it can incorporate such rates in its February 2022 billings for service rendered in January 2022.

On May 19, 2021, the Department of Energy ("DOE") staff filed cover letter and proposed settlement agreement on temporary rates, entered into by the DOE staff, HAWC and the Office of the Consumer Advocate ("OCA") for this docket. The other recognized intervenors did not take a position on this proposed settlement agreement. On May 28, 2021, the NHPUC held a hearing on the proposed temporary rates settlement agreement.

Subsequently several rounds of data requests, technical sessions, settlement conferences, etc. took place and the DOE staff and HAWC agreed on the proposed revenue requirement for permanent rates. The parties are working towards a settlement on the proposed rate design for permanent rates. Hearings on permanent rates are scheduled for March 23-24, 2022.

It is imperative that the NHPUC issue an order approving temporary rates for HAWC by no later than January 17, 2022. An order will allow HAWC to begin to implement the proposed temporary rates, to lessen the burden of the proposed permanent rates and to reduce the recovery of the temporary to permanent rate

difference. Again, HAWC respectfully requests that the NHPUC issued an order approving temporary rates for HAWC by no later than January 17, 2022

Pursuant to the Commission letter citing to the COVID-19 emergency dated March 17, 2020, the Company will not file any paper copies.

Very truly yours,

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