STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION HAMPSTEAD AREA WATER COMPANY, INC.

Request to Change in Rates

Docket No. DW 20-117

Petition of Board of Selectmen on behalf of the Town of Atkinson for Intervention

Pursuant to the Order of Notice issued by the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission in the above captioned proceeding, N.H. Code Admin. Rules Puc 203.17 and Puc 203.62, and in accordance with the standards of RSA 541-A:32, the Board of Selectmen hereby petitions for to intervene in the above captioned docket. In support of its petition, the Board of Selectmen states as follows:

- 1. Rule Puc 203.17 provides that the Commission shall grant petitions to intervene in accordance with the standards of RSA 541-A:32. RSA 541-A:32, part of the Administrative Procedure Act, provides that a petition to intervene shall be granted upon a showing that the petitioner has "rights, duties, privileges, immunities or other substantial interests" that may be affected by the proceeding, and "the interests of justice and the orderly and prompt conduct of the proceedings would not be impaired by allowing the intervention."
- 2. The Town of Atkinson is a commercial customer and municipal fire protection customer of said utility and would be adversely affected by the said rate increase. As a commercial customer, HAWC provides water to the Town's Community Center, Kimball Library, Kimball House, Fire Station, Highway Garage, and Woodlock Park. HAWC proposes to increase its commercial rate from \$6.11 per ccf applied to all customers to \$9.31 per ccf for non-single family or non-residential customers or an increase of over 52%. For municipal fire protection rates, HAWC proposes an increase from \$200 per year for each fire hydrant plus a \$2000 annual availability fee to \$1,419 per fire hydrant.

WHEREFORE, the Board of Selectmen respectfully request that this honorable Commission:

- A. Grant this petition for intervention, and
- B. Provide any other such relief as it deems appropriate.

Sincerely,

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