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VIA ELECTRONIC AND MAIL DELIVERY Daniel C. Goldner, Chairman N.H. Public Utilities Commission 21 South Fruit Street, Suite 10 Concord, NH 03301

Re: DW 20-156 Pennichuck East Utility, Inc.

Permanent Rate Proceeding

Assented-To Remote Hearing Request

Dear Chairman Goldner:

A hearing is scheduled in this docket for December 15, 2021. Pursuant to the Commission's hearing guidelines dated October 14, 2021, Pennichuck East Utility, Inc. (PEU) hereby requests, on behalf of itself and Mr. Richard Husband, Office of the Consumer Advocate (OCA), and Towns of Litchfield and Londonderry, that the Commission authorize remote attendance at this hearing.

PEU requests remote attendance for this hearing because COVID infections are increasing in this State and because of the health concerns associated with contracting such an infection. Also, under the Company's current COVID guidelines for all employees, the Company discourages large face-to-face group meetings where possible.

PEU has contacted Mr. Husband, OCA, and the Towns of Litchfield and Londonderry, and they all join in this request for virtual accommodations for the hearing. PEU has contacted Staff of the Department of Energy and Staff assents to this request.

Thank you in advance for your consideration of this request.

Very Truly Yours,

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