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Daniel C. Goldner, Chairman
New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission
21 South Fruit Street
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Re: Docket No. DW 20-184 (Aquarion Water Company of New Hampshire, Inc.)
Request for Change in Rates
Proposed Procedural Schedule for the Step Adjustment

Dear Chairman Goldner:

On July 29, 2022, the Public Utilities Commission (Commission) issued Order No. 26,659 (Order) in the above-reference matter. In the Order, the Commission directed the parties to provide a "procedural schedule for the Step Adjustment." Order at 12. Please accept the following as the proposed procedural schedule in compliance with the Commission's Order:

9.15.2022	Final Department of Energy Audit Report Due
9.29.2022	First Round of Discovery
10.13.2022	Responses to Discovery
10.27.2022	Technical Session
10.28.2022	Technical Session Discovery Requests
Or	Report to Commission Regarding Adjustment to Procedural Schedule*
11.7.2022	Responses to Discovery
11.21.2022	Settlement or Joint Report to Commission Regarding Step Amount and Resulting Rates and Request for Hearing at the Commission's Earliest Convenience

*Please note that the alternative suggestion for 10.28.2022 is if the parties have no further discovery and are able to accelerate the proposed timeline above and agree to a new procedural schedule at the technical session.

The Department of Energy, on behalf of all parties to this docket (Aquarion Water Company of New Hampshire, Inc., the Office of the Consumer Advocate, the Town of Hampton, and the Town of North Hampton), requests that the Commission approve this procedural schedule.

The Department certifies that copies of this letter have been served on the parties electronically upon filing with the Commission.

Sincerely,

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