BEFORE THE NEW HAMPSHIRE

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

Lakes Region Water Co., Inc

Request for Change in Rates

Docket No. DW 20 – 187

ASSENTED-TO MOTION TO EXTEND FILING DEADLINE TO JANUARY 15, 2020

Lakes Region Water Co., Inc. ("Lakes Region") moves to extend the date for filing its rate case in this proceeding as follows:

- 1. Order No. 26,340 in DW 18 056 directed that Lakes Region "shall file a rate case no later than December 31, 2020, utilizing a 2019 test year."
- 2. Lakes Region was in the final stages of preparing its rate case for submission to meet this deadline when personal circumstances arose unexpectedly which made key personnel unavailable. Lakes Region has advised staff of these circumstances and requested assent to an extension to January 15, 2021.
- 3. Staff assented to an extension to January 15, 2021 and noted that this filing date still falls within the 60-day deadline to file a full rate case after a notice of intent has been filed Puc 1604.05(c)(1).
- 4. Rule Puc 202.04 *Extensions of Time* provides that the Commission shall grant a request for extension of time if: "(1) The party making the request has demonstrated that circumstances would cause undue hardship or inconvenience unless the request were granted; and (2) The extension would not unduly delay the proceeding or adversely affect the rights of any party."

5. A two-week extension to January 15, 2020 will not unduly delay this or any other proceeding or adversely affect the rights of any party.

WHEREFORE Lakes Region respectfully requests that the Commission extend December 31, 2020 deadline set in Order No. 26,340 to January 15, 2021 and grant such other relief as justice may require.

Respectfully submitted,

LAKES REGION WATER COMPANY, INC.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

Dated: December 29, 2020

I certify that a complete copy of the foregoing is being sent this day to all persons on the Commission's official service list for this proceeding.

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