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Dianne Martin, Chairwoman New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission 21 S. Fruit Street, Suite 10 Concord, New Hampshire 03301

Re: Docket No. DW 21-090

Verified Joint Petition for Approval of the Acquisition of Abenaki Water Company by Aquarion Company – Settlement Agreement

Dear Chairwoman Martin:

Aquarion Company ("Aquarion") and Abenaki Water Company ("Abenaki") (together, the "Joint Petitioners") are pleased to enclose for filing a comprehensive settlement agreement (the "Settlement Agreement") in the above-captioned proceeding. The Settlement Agreement is by and between the Joint Petitioners, the Department of Energy, the Office of the Consumer Advocate, Omni Mount Washington, LLC, Paul Mueller (on behalf of the Bretton Woods Property Owners Association), Cristy L. Bresson (individually and as President of Village Shore Estates Association), Jeni Speck, James Cook, Jeffrey Phillips, Sharon Burgess, Kevin M. Monahan and Janet H. Monahan (collectively, the "Settling Parties"). If approved by the Public Utilities Commission (the "Commission"), the Settlement Agreement will comprehensively resolve all issues in relation to Aquarion's proposed acquisition of Abenaki.

The Settling Parties have authorized the Joint Petitioners to submit the Settlement Agreement and respectfully request the Commission's approval of the Settlement Agreement. The Settling Parties also request that the Commission waive the requirements of Puc 203.20(e) and permit the filing of this Settlement Agreement fewer than five days prior to the hearing. For purposes of the November 10, 2021 hearing, the Settlement Agreement is marked as Exhibit No. 36 as a joint exhibit of the Settling Parties.

Please contact me if you have any questions with respect to this filing. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Daniel P. Venora

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