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Daniel C. Goldner, Chair
New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission
21 South Fruit Street, Suite 10
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RE: DW 21-115 Pennichuck Water Works, Inc.
Special Contract with Anheuser-Busch
Reconciliation of Contract #4 with Contract #5

Pursuant to RSA 12-P:2, IV, please accept this letter as the Department of Energy's (Department) position statement regarding its review of the reconciliation of the difference between the rates under the temporarily extended fourth special contract (Contract #4) and the approved fifth special contract (Contract #5) between Pennichuck Water Works, Inc. (PWW or the Company) and Anheuser-Busch, LLC.

The Department's Water Group has reviewed the reconciliation and a supplement, which were filed by PWW on July 25 and August 15, 2022, respectively. The Department issued two sets of data requests regarding the reconciliation, to which the Company provided its responses. Copies of the pertinent discovery requests and responses are attached to this correspondence.¹ In addition, the Department and PWW corresponded via email and met through a video conference call to discuss all reconciliation-related issues. Based on its review, it is the Department's opinion that PWW's calculation of the reconciled difference between bills computed under Contract #4 and Contract #5, during the period beginning July 1, 2021 and ending June 30, 2022, was properly determined.

¹ The Company provided copies of bills that were reviewed by the Department in reaching its conclusions. If the Commission would like to review these bills, the Company requests that it be allowed to first file a Motion for Confidentiality.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

/s/ David Goyette

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Attachment: PWV's Discovery Responses to DOE Discovery Sets 3 and 4

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