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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

Daniel C. Goldner, Chairman
New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission
21 South Fruit Street, Suite 10
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**Re: Petition of Pennichuck Water Works, Inc. for Approved
Modification of Accounting Treatment of Leases
Docket DW 21-137**

Dear Chairman Goldner:

Pursuant to the Commission's Commencement of Adjudicatory Proceedings and Notice of Hearing and hearing guidelines issued on December 21, 2021 in Docket DW 21-137, a hearing date is set for January 21, 2022 in person. Pursuant to the Notice of Hearing and Commission's hearing guidelines, Pennichuck Water Works, Inc. (PWW) respectfully requests that the Commission authorize the use of video conferencing for hybrid, remote attendance at this hearing.

PWW requests remote attendance for this hearing because COVID infections are increasing in the State and due to safety concerns related to potential detrimental health impacts from contracting COVID. PWW's current COVID guidelines for all employees discourages large face-to-face group meetings where possible such as the hearing scheduled in person on January 21, 2022. In addition, allowance of remote attendance will reduce travel costs by witnesses and counsel for the parties. PWW contacted the Department of Energy and they have no objection to this request for PWW to attend the hearing remotely.

Thank you for your attention and consideration of this matter. Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,



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