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Daniel C. Goldner, Chairman
Public Utilities Commission
21 S. Fruit Street
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Re: Docket No. DW 22-032 Pennichuck Water Works, Inc., Request for Change in Rates,
*DOE's Witness List for the 9:00 a.m. May 17, 2023 hearing and DOE Comment re
Procedural Order (April 21, 2023)*

Dear Chairman Goldner:

Pursuant to the July 26, 2022 *Hearing Guidelines* filed in this docket, the Department of Energy ("Department" or "DOE"), hereby notifies the Commission that Pennichuck Water Works, Inc. ("PWW" or "the Company") has filed the parties' joint exhibit list, identifying exhibits 1 through 5. The Department understands that PWW will also file the parties' settlement agreement and other exhibits later today. The parties' exhibits contain some confidential information. While the parties will endeavor to avoid identifying confidential information on the record, it may be necessary. See *Hearing Guidelines* 1(d) (July 26, 2022); Parties' Exhibit 2, 5.

The Department further notifies the Commission that the Department's witness list consists of one witness only, Jayson P. Laflamme, Director of the Water Group within the Department's Regulatory Support Division. The Department will call him to testify at hearing to be held at 9:00 a.m. on May 17, 2023.

Finally, the Commission has requested the Department to submit an audit report of the rate case filing in this docket by May 11, 2023. See *Procedural Order Re: DOE Analysis* (April 21, 2023). The parties' *Settlement Agreement* includes the Department's *FINAL Audit Report DW 22-032* (February 3, 2023) as Attachment F. See Exhibits 4 and 5 (redacted and confidential versions of the settlement agreement, respectively). Accordingly, the requested audit shall not be filed separately.

Consistent with the Commission's current practice, this letter is being filed solely in electronic form.

Sincerely,

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