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VIA ELECTRONIC DELIVERY
Daniel C. Goldner, Chairman
N.H. Department of Energy/Public Utilities Commission
21 South Fruit Street, Suite 10
Concord, NH 03301

Re: DW 22-040 Pennichuck Water Works, Inc.-Pennichuck East Utility, Inc. Special Contract – Settlement Agreement

Dear Chairman Goldner:

Pursuant to the approved procedural schedule, attached please find for filing a settlement agreement between Pennichuck Water Works, Inc. (PWW); Pennichuck East Utility, Inc. (PEU); and the Department of Energy (DOE). The Office of the Consumer Advocate (OCA) was provided an opportunity to participate, however, as of the date of this filing, the OCA had not provided the parties with a position.

The settlement and attachments represent the most up to date request by PWW and PEU for approval of the proposed amendments to the special contract between the companies.

Lastly, for ease of the Commission's review, the settling parties have included live Excel versions of attachments of the PDF attachments that were originally in Excel form in discovery; that includes the cost of service study. Because the cost of service study was previously granted protective treatment by the Commission in this proceeding in Order No. 26,727, dated November 18, 2022, and because the cost of service study attached to the settlement agreement is merely an updated version of the original study, PWW and PEU consider this copy to be covered by the Commission's protective order. Therefore, PWW and PEU are supplying a public PDF and a confidential Excel version of the cost of service study.

Thank you in advance for the Commission's consideration.

Very Truly Yours,

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Enclosures: Settlement Agreement and Attachments

cc: Docket-Related Electronic Service List for DW 22-040