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By email (ClerksOffice@puc.nh.gov)

Daniel C. Goldner, Chairman
NH Public Utilities Commission
21 S. Fruit Street, Suite 10
Concord, NH 03301-2429

RE: The Hampstead Area Water Company, Inc. – DW 23-020
Step II – Revised Settlement Agreement

Dear Chairman Goldner:

Pursuant to the Commission's Procedural Order dated October 18, 2022, for this matter, enclosed please find for the Commission's consideration a revised *Settlement Agreement – Step II Rates* with attachments, entered into by The Hampstead Area Water Company, Inc., the New Hampshire Department of Energy, the Town of Hampstead and the Town of Atkinson. This settlement agreement supersedes the agreement filed on August 17, 2023, in two respects. First, it reflects the Towns of Atkinson and Hampstead have joined as settling parties and second, Attachment B has been revised to correct non-mathematical references.

Intervenor Karen Steele indicated she objects to this Settlement Agreement, consistent with her position to the *Settlement Agreement on Permanent Rates* and the *Settlement Agreement – Step I Rates* from the related docket, DW-20-117. The Office of the Consumer Advocate replied indicating it neither objects nor joins this proposed settlement agreement.

Consistent with the Commission's Temporary Changes in Filing Requirements (March 17, 2020) due to the COVID-19 state of emergency, the Company will not file any paper copies.

Should you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Anthony Augeri

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