STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

DW 23-088

RE: PENNICHUCK WATER WORKS, INC; PENNICHUCK EAST UTILITY, INC; AND PITTSFIELD AQUEDUCT COMPANY, INC.

Request for Change in Rates

Petition of the Town of Bedford for Intervention

Pursuant to the Order of Notice issued by the New Hampshire Public Utilities

Commission in the above captioned proceeding, N.H. Code Admin. Rules Puc 203.17

and in accordance with the standards of RSA 541-A:32, the Town Council, on behalf of the Town of Bedford ("Town of Bedford") hereby petitions to intervene in the above-captioned docket. In support of its petition, the Town of Bedford states as follows:

- 1. Rule Puc 203.17 provides that the Commission shall grant petitions to intervene in accordance with the standards of RSA 541-A:32.
- 2. RSA 541-A:32, part of the Administrative Procedure Act, provides that a petition to intervene shall be granted upon a showing that the petitioner has "rights, duties, privileges, immunities or other substantial interests" that may be affected by the proceeding, and "the interests of justice and the orderly and prompt conduct of the proceedings would not be impaired by allowing the intervention."
- 3. The Town of Bedford is a municipal corporation duly organized pursuant to New Hampshire state law.
- 4. Pennichuck Water Works, Inc. provides water services to 1,101 customers in Bedford, including the Town at its Library, Town Hall, and Bedford Community Television complex.

- 5. Thus, the rights, duties, privileges, immunities and substantial interest of its citizenry will be impacted by this proceeding.
- 6. Moreover, water costs in the community directly impact land values and economic development within the municipality.
- 7. The interests of justice would be served, and the orderly and prompt conduct of the proceedings would not be impaired by allowing the intervention.

WHEREFORE, the Town of Bedford respectfully request that this Honorable Commission:

- A. Grant this Petition for Intervention, and
- В. Provide any other such relief as it deems appropriate.

Respectfully submitted, TOWN OF BEDFORD By its Attorneys UPTON & HATFIELD, LLP

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CERTIFICATE OF ELECTRONIC SERVICE

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing has been e-mailed this day to all parties of record.

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SERVICE LIST - DOCKET RELATED

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