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Daniel C. Goldner, Chairman
New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission
21 South Fruit Street
Concord, NH 03301

Re: DW 24-092, Lakeview Water Company, Inc. Petition for Permanent Discontinuance of Service; Letter Regarding Department of Energy Position Statement

Dear Chairman Goldner:

Pursuant to the Parties' Joint Proposed Procedural Schedule in the above-captioned docket approved by the Commission on October 7, 2024, a position statement from the Department of Energy ("Department") is due on January 28, 2025.

Since the procedural schedule was filed and approved by the Commission, the parties have engaged in a technical session and other discussions and have determined there remains an outstanding issue regarding an approval from the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services ("DES"). In light of the outstanding issue, the original petitioner in this matter, Richard M. Casale, Trustee of the Casale Family 2005 Irrevocable Trust, filed an assented-to motion on January 17, 2025, to substitute Lakeview Water Company, Inc. ("Lakeview") as the petitioner in this case. Lakeview subsequently filed an assented-to motion on January 24, 2025, requesting to temporarily suspend the proceeding in order to resolve the outstanding DES issue.

In light of the outstanding DES issue, the pending request to substitute the petitioner in this proceeding, and Lakeview's assented-to request to temporarily suspend the procedural schedule in this matter, the Department does not take a position at this time as to the substance of the above-captioned matter.

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

Sincerely,

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