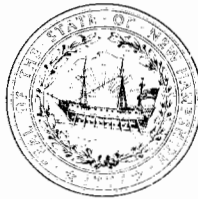


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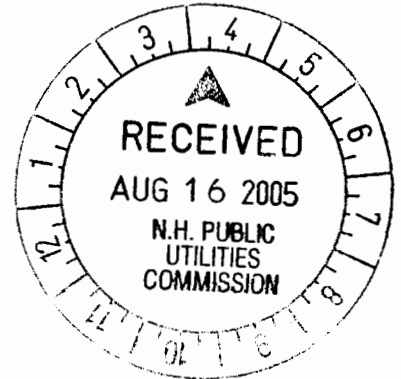
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Re: DW 04-048 City of Nashua—Taking of Pennichuck Water Works, Inc.
Motion for Rehearing

Dear Ms. Howland:

On August 15, 2005, Pennichuck Water Works, Inc. (PWW) filed Motions for Reconsideration and/or Rehearing Regarding Order No. 24,488 and Order No. 24,489 (Motions). In the cover letter accompanying the Motion regarding Order No. 24,488, counsel for PWW states that Staff concurs with the Motion. The purpose of this letter is to clarify Staff's position on both Motions. Staff concurs that the Commission should provide clarification on the extent to which parties not submitting testimony may participate in discovery and at hearing. Staff takes no position with respect to the remainder of the Motions.

Thank you. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Marcia A. B. Thunberg".

Marcia A. B. Thunberg
Staff Attorney/Hearings Examiner

cc: Service list