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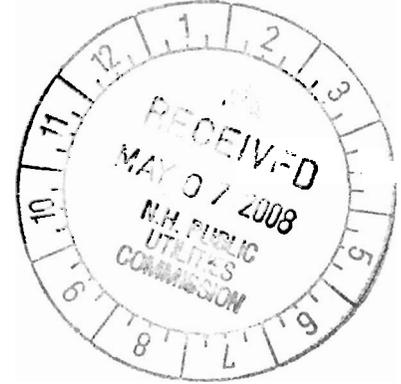
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May 7, 2008

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Executive Director and Secretary
N.H. Public Utilities Commission
21 S. Fruit Street, Suite 10
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Re: DW 07-105 Lakes Region Water Company, Inc.
Settlement Agreement



Dear Ms. Howland:

Enclosed please find a fully executed settlement agreement between Staff and parties to this docket. It is our intention to present this settlement agreement at the hearing scheduled for Thursday, May 8, 2008.

Pursuant to N.H. Code Admin. R. Puc 203.20(e), participants to a docket are to file settlement agreements "no less than 5 days prior to the hearing, except as provided in (f)." Late-filed agreements are accepted when it promotes the orderly and efficient conduct of the proceeding and when acceptance of the agreement will not impair the rights of any party to the proceeding. In this case, all parties have been aware of the drafting of this settlement agreement and thus would not be prejudiced by its late filing. The agreement will promote the orderly and efficient conduct of the proceeding since it resolves some issues and monitors other issues in an orderly manner. Also, scheduling conflicts that included parties' attendance at NECPUC have made it difficult to file a signed agreement any earlier than today. For these reasons, Staff and the parties respectfully request the Commission accept the filing of this agreement pursuant to N.H. Code Admin. R. Puc 203.20(f).

Thank you in advance for your assistance with this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Marcia A. B. Thunberg".

Marcia A. B. Thunberg
Staff Attorney/Hearings Examiner

Enclosure
cc: Service List