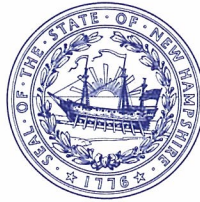


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September 4, 2008

Ms. Debra A. Howland
Executive Director & Secretary
New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission
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RE: DW 08-065 Hampstead Area Water Company, Inc. –Petition for Permanent Rate Increase

DW 08-088 Hampstead Area Water Company, Inc. - Petition for Authority to Borrow Long term Debt, to Construct Water System Interconnection, Approval to Extend Franchise Area and for Step Rate Increase

Dear Ms. Howland:

Earlier today, the OCA filed a letter with the Commission requesting that the Commission decide on how to convey its request for information from Richard Skarinka of DES. The OCA filed that letter, as previously stated, because the OCA, Staff and the Company could not reach agreement on the language of the request.

The OCA just received a letter from the Staff that indicates that Staff, and not the Commission, has decided the best way to convey the request to Mr. Skarinka and that Staff, finding the OCA's request "moot." The OCA is troubled, and objects for the record, that the Staff of the Commission would act on behalf of the Commission on a contested issue, in an adjudicatory proceeding, without a formal decision of the Commission on the OCA's request.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Rorie E.P. Hollenberg".

Rorie E.P. Hollenberg
Staff Attorney

cc: Service List

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