April 13, 2010

120 Lamplighter Park North Conway, NH 03860

Chairman Thomas B. Getz NH Public Utilities Commission 21 Fruit Street, Ste 10 Concord, NH 03301-2429

RE: Lamplighter Mobile Home Park
Docket # DW 09-267



Dear Chairman Getz:

Thank you for setting a prehearing conference date to consider the Request for Determination Petition filed by residents of Lamplighter Mobile Home Park, Conway. We look forward to meeting with you on May 13 to present our testimony.

On behalf of the homeowners at Lamplighter Park, I wish to make a special request of the Commission. We ask that you consider holding the technical and pre-hearing sessions scheduled for May 13, 2010 in Conway, NH. In making this request we note a provision within the Commission's administrative rules providing for hearings to be conducted at a location other than Concord if a field hearing would "assist the Commission to ascertain the views of the utility's customers."

Although Lamplighter residents are not at this time "utility customers", we believe that considerable insight and information can be gained by holding the hearing session locally. In addition to providing for greater citizen participation, a local hearing would allow the commissioners an opportunity to tour Lamplighter Park and to better understand the unique characteristics and circumstances of the community - and the impact of the planned sewer project costs on our homeowners.

Of further consideration, many of our residents who would otherwise not be able to travel to Concord to testify or observe the hearing process could do so if held in Conway. Many of our homeowners, those most affected by the company's utility plans, are elderly and living on limited incomes. It would be difficult or impossible for them to attend a hearing in Concord. Others who work full or part time are willing to arrange time to attend a locally held hearing.

We are very much aware that the current economic times have placed many constraints on state agencies; nevertheless, we are hopeful that the benefits of government accessibility and citizen participation will offset those constraints.

As you consider this request please feel welcome to contact me for ideas on adequate facilities where the sessions could be held here in Conway.

Thank you for your thoughtful attention to our request.

Sincerely yours,

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