



# HAMPSTEAD AREA

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## WATER COMPANY, INC

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Debra Howland  
Executive Director & Secretary  
Public Utilities Commission  
21 S. Fruit Street, Suite 10  
Concord, N. H. 03301-2429

Re: DW 17-118 Hampstead Area Water Company's ("HAWC" or "Company")  
proposed surcharge to recover rate case expenditures associated with ROE  
Step Adjustment

Dear Ms. Howland:

In accordance with PUC Order 26,195 dated November 28, 2018, on December 26, 2018 HAWC filed its request to recover its rate case expenditures associated with the ROE Step Adjustment. Subsequent to the request, on January 16, 2019, HAWC received an invoice amounting to \$9,366.66 from the PUC for "expenses incurred by J. Randall Woolridge, PH.D., a firm contracted by the Commission." The Company has agreed to pay such amount and the PUC Staff has agreed to support recovery of such amount. As such, attached are the updated "Deferred Rate Case Expenses 1-00-186.01" amounting to \$29,833.20. Please note that the updated expenditures also include some additional actual expenditures in place of previously submitted estimated expenditures.

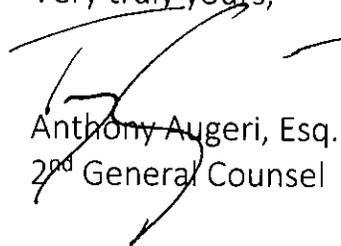
The Company is proposing an updated surcharge for one month of \$8.12 for recovery of \$29,833.20. In support of the Company's updated, proposed surcharge, the Company is providing Deferred Rate Case Expense schedule, which summarizes the rate case expenditures by date, vendor, amount and cumulative amount. The individual invoices that support the additional expenditures are also attached. At the bottom of the Deferred Rate Case Expenses schedule, the Company shows the

updated total of the rate case expenditures to be recovered and develops the surcharge to be billed to customers. This one-time surcharge will be billed to the customers after the 5 monthly surcharges from PUC Order # 26,185 are billed.

HAWC respectfully requests that the Staff of the PUC reviews the schedules, the supporting documentation, and the proposed surcharge and draft its recommendation. HAWC would appreciate having an opportunity to review the recommendation before it is filed with the Commission. HAWC would further appreciate the Commission's review and approval of the recommendation.

If you, the Commissioners, PUC Staff and / or any other parties have questions and comments, please contact John Sullivan at [John@hampsteadwater.com](mailto:John@hampsteadwater.com) or 603-362-5333.

Very truly yours,



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Enclosures

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