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Daniel C. Goldner, Chair New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission 21 South Fruit Street Concord, NH 03301-2429

Re: Docket No. DW 20-117 (Hampstead Area Water Company, Inc.)

Request for Change in Rates December 16, 2021 Hearing

## Dear Chairman Goldner:

On March 18, 2021, the Commission approved a procedural schedule in the above-referenced matter. That procedural schedule approved separate Litigation and Settlement Tracks, including a hearing on settlement scheduled for December 16, 2021.

On October 14, 2021, the Commission issued a Procedural Order Re: Proposed Amended Procedural Schedule (Order) which adjusted the previously approved procedural schedule. The Order did not include the Settlement Track.

As of this time, the Commission's calendar still reflects a hearing on settlement on December 16, 2021. While the Department of Energy (Department) is pleased to report that the parties continue to strive towards settlement, the deadlines set for filing of settlement and hearing included in the original procedural schedule are untenable at this time. As such, the Department kindly suggests that the December 16, 2021 hearing be removed from the Commission's calendar.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

/s/ Christopher R. Tuomala

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