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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 22-002 (Pennichuck Water Works, Inc., Pennichuck East Utility, Inc., Pittsfield Aqueduct Company, Inc.)

Petition for Approval of Miscellaneous Utility Service Fees

Department of Energy Request to Suspend Tariffs

Dear Chairman Goldner:

On January 18, 2022, Pennichuck Water Works, Inc., Pennichuck East Utility, Inc., and Pittsfield Aqueduct Company, Inc. (collectively the Companies), petitioned the Public Utilities Commission (Commission) for authority to implement multiple increases in fees contained in the Miscellaneous Utility Service Fees schedule in each respective petitioner's tariff. The Companies set forth such requests in revised tariffs filed with its petition, which note an effective date of February 18, 2022.

Pursuant to RSA 12-P:9, the Department of Energy, Division of Regulatory Support (Department) is a party in this matter. Pursuant to RSA 12-P:2, IV, and RSA 365:5, the Department intends to investigate the Companies' proposed tariffs and related materials.

To allow adequate time to complete that investigation, the Department respectfully requests that, pursuant to RSA 378:6, the Commission suspend the effectiveness of the Companies' proposed tariffs prior to February 18, 2022.

Consistent with the Commission's *Temporary Changes in Filing Requirements* (March 17, 2020), this letter is filed solely in electronic form. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

/s/ Christopher R. Tuomala

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