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March 18, 2021

Re: DW 20-117, Hampstead Area Water Company, Inc.  
Request for Change in Rates  
Procedural Schedule

To the Parties:

On February 10, 2021, the Commission held a duly noticed prehearing conference in the above-referenced matter. Appearances were entered by Hampstead Area Water Company, Inc. (HAWC), the Office of the Consumer Advocate (OCA), and Commission Staff (Staff). The Commission took the petitions to intervene filed by the Town of Atkinson and Karen Steele under advisement. On March 11, 2021, HAWC filed an assented-to motion to replace its original rate filing submitted on November 24, 2021, along with a new rate filing.

Following the prehearing conference, HAWC, the OCA, intervenors, and Staff met in a technical session. After a follow-up technical session on February 17, 2021, they agreed upon the following schedule, which Staff submitted to the Commission by letter dated March 11, 2021:

Temporary Rate Proceeding

Data Requests – Set 1	February 24, 2021
Responses – Set 1	March 10, 2021
Technical Session <sup>1</sup>	March 17, 2021, at 9:00 a.m.
Technical Session Data Requests	March 18, 2021
Responses to Technical Session Data Requests	March 24, 2021
File Settlement on Temporary Rates	May 14, 2021
Hearing on Temporary Rates	May 21, 2021, at 10:00 a.m.

Permanent Rate Proceeding

Data Requests – Set 2	May 20, 2021
Responses – Set 2	June 3, 2021
Data Requests – Set 3	June 17, 2021
Responses – Set 3	July 1, 2021
Technical Session/Settlement Conference	July 8, 2021, at 9:00 a.m.

<sup>1</sup> Any technical session held in a Commission proceeding may potentially involve settlement discussions, which will be restricted to participation by parties only and must be treated as confidential and not disclosed, consistent with N.H. Admin. R., Puc 203.20(a).

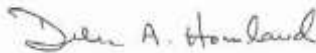
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Technical Session Data Requests	July 9, 2021
Responses to Technical Session Data Requests	July 15, 2021
Data Requests – Set 4	July 29, 2021
Responses – Set 4	August 12, 2021
Data Requests – Set 5	August 26, 2021
Responses – Set 5	September 9, 2021
Technical Session/Settlement Conference/ Cost of Service Discussion	September 23, 2021, at 9:00 a.m.
Technical Session Data Requests	September 24, 2021
Responses to Technical Session Data Requests	September 30, 2021
 <u>Settlement Track</u>	
File Settlement on Permanent Rates	December 9, 2021
Hearing on Permanent Rate Settlement	December 16, 2021, at 10:00 a.m.
 <u>Litigation Track</u>	
Staff and Intervenor Testimony	November 18, 2021
Data Requests – Staff and Intervenor Testimony	December 2, 2021
Responses – Staff and Intervenor Testimony	December 16, 2021
Technical Session/Settlement Conference	January 6, 2022, at 9:00 a.m.
File Settlement or Rebuttal Testimony	February 3, 2022
Hearing on Permanent Rates	February 9-10, 2022, at 10:00 a.m.

The Commission has granted HAWC's assented-to motion to replace its rate filing, which has been replaced by HAWC's March 11, 2021 rate filing. The Commission notes that the replacement filing is mostly cosmetic and does not contain new or different proposed tariffs from its original November 24, 2020 filing. As such, the 18-month suspension period, set by Order No. 26,437 (December 18, 2020), remains.

Further, the Commission has determined that the proposed schedule is in the public interest and, therefore, has approved it. For administrative efficiency, the Commission has elected to issue this secretarial letter as its prehearing order.

Sincerely,



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