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Debra A. Howland, Executive Director N.H. Public Utilities Commission 21 South Fruit Street, Suite 10 Concord, NH 03301

Re:

DW 12-109 Pennichuck Water Works, Inc.

Franchise Expansion for Beede Superfund Site, Plaistow

Request for Stay

Dear Ms. Howland:

Attached please find correspondence from Attorney John T. Pendleton explaining that the Town of Plaistow Selectmen have indicated that they do not support the proposed franchise expansion. Pennichuck Water Works, Inc. requests the Commission stay the matter for no more than 60 days to allow the water company and Town to address concerns. Staff supports the request for the stay and recommends the Commission approve it.

Staff is aware that these concerns include the Town not wanting the residents who will be served within the franchise to pay tariff rates for water service; rather, the Town desires the owners of the Beede site to pay for the water service. Staff will remain available to assist the Town and Pennichuck Water Works, Inc. in this matter.

Sincerely,

Marcia A. B. Thunberg

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Staff Attorney

Enclosure

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RE: DW 12-109-Pennichuck Water Works, Inc. Franchise Expansion In Plaistow

Regarding Beede Super Fund Site Petitioner's Response to STAFF DATA

REQUEST-SET 1

Dear Attorney Thunberg:

Pursuant to and in follow up of STAFF DATA REQUEST-SET 1, question 1-3, I wish to inform you that the Town of Plaistow Selectmen have indicated that they do not support the Proposed Franchise Petition at this time. The Town had additional questions and petitioner believes that allowing some time for further discussions with the Town may be productive. As a result of the meeting with the Town of Plaistow Selectmen on May 21, 2012, Pennichuck asks the Commission to stay this matter for no more than sixty (60) days to allow Pennichuck and Beede to address some of the Towns' concerns.

Pennichuck does not anticipate pursuing the Petition further should the Town not support the Petition.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

John T. Pendleton

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Plaistow Town Manager Plaistow Selectmen