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June 4, 2014

RE: DW 14-022, Hampstead Area Water Company, Inc.  
Order No. 25,672

To the Parties:

Enclosed is revised page 6 of Order No. 25,672 (dated May 30, 2014). On page 6, line 12, "per annum per hydrant" has been removed.

All other portions of this order remain unchanged.

Please substitute the enclosed revised page to your copy of Order No. 25,672.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Debra A. Howland".

Debra A. Howland  
Executive Director

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Enclosure

The water service will be provided from HAWC's core system which we find satisfies the requirements of RSA 374:22, III for suitability and availability.

To fulfill its service obligations under the EPA agreement, HAWC seeks to acquire a portion of PEU's franchise in the vicinity of the Emery Drive Extension project. PEU does not actively provide water service in this area. As stated above, EPA is constructing the main extension to address contamination concerns. HAWC has agreed to own and operate that extension. PEU and HAWC are not exchanging monetary consideration in this transfer. Both PEU and HAWC agree that it is in the best interest of the customers for PEU to surrender that portion of its franchise. In light of the circumstances of this transfer, we find that transferring the portion of PEU's franchise, shown as Franchise 12A in HAWC's filing, is for the public good. In light of our finding that HAWC possesses the requisite capabilities to provide water service, we find it in the public good to grant HAWC's franchise request.

HAWC seeks to charge its existing consolidated rates in the proposed franchise. The rates for residential, general metered service consist of a \$10.00 base charge per month with a consumption charge of \$5.02 per 100 cubic feet of water consumed. The municipal hydrant rate is \$200 per annum per hydrant and an annual availability fee of \$2,000. The Commission previously found these rates to be just and reasonable for HAWC's core and satellite systems. *See Hampstead Area Water Company, Inc.*, Order No. 25,519 (June 7, 2013). The proposed franchise area will be served by HAWC's core system and HAWC has utility-wide consolidated rates. Accordingly, we find it reasonable to authorize HAWC to charge these rates in the proposed franchise area. Consistent with N.H. Code Admin. Rules Puc 1203.05, we

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