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## VIA E-MAIL AND HAND DELIVERY

Ms. Debra A. Howland, Executive Director  
New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission  
21 South Fruit Street, Suite 10  
Concord, New Hampshire 03301-2429

**Re: Docket No. 16-\_\_\_ Aquarion Water Company of New Hampshire, Inc.  
Petition for Monthly Billing**

Dear Ms. Howland:

Enclosed please find for filing an original and six (6) copies of Aquarion Water Company of New Hampshire's petition to change the frequency of its billing. Aquarion presently bills customers on a quarterly basis and requests authority to bill customers the same rates, but on a more frequent basis. As the Commission knows, among the benefits of monthly billing is that it sends better price signals to customers, especially during summer peak usage. These benefits and other adjustments to accommodate monthly billing are more fully explained in the accompanying testimony of Debra Kirven, Controller for Aquarion Water Company of Connecticut, Inc.

Please note that the Company has requested the Commission approve this change by order  *nisi* . Assuming an order by March 1<sup>st</sup>, the Company will be prepared to implement the billing change effective May 1<sup>st</sup> in time for summer usage. The Company is available to meet with Staff to discuss this request. Thank you in advance for your assistance and consideration of this request.

Very truly yours,



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cc: Office of the Consumer Advocate