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

Re: Docket No. DW 18-090 - Pennichuck East Utility, Inc.
Petition for Approval of Small Diameter Private Fire Protection Service
Revised Tariff Page 38

Dear Director Howland:

Enclosed please find for filing, an original and two copies of the Company's revised Tariff Page 38 in accordance with N.H. Code Admin. R. Puc 1603.03(a), and Puc 1603.05(b). The reason for the revision is to modify the effective date of the grandfathered rate for "1" meter with private residential fire service". Order No. 26,213 approving this rate group was issued on January 24, 2019 and became effective February 24, 2019. Order No. 26,213 also approved tariff page 28-A which authorized the Company to prohibit the installation of single, over-sized service for combined potable and fire protection service. This authority thereby allowed the Company, effective February 24th, to prevent the grandfathered customer group from enlarging. For this reason, the Company proposes the grandfathered date be set at February 23, 2019.

The Company initially recommended the cut-off date of December 31, 2018 to accommodate the Commission's review. The Commission's review and approval extended beyond December 31st. Between December 31st and February 24th, three additional services were installed by customers. The Company now seeks to add these three customers to the grandfathered group approved by the Commission in Order No. 26,213 for the reasons articulated in that order. The Company believes that to not include them in the grandfathered group would cause them to pay higher than their fair share for water service.

These three customers are identical to the grandfathered rate group in that they installed a single, over-sized service for combined potable and fire protection service. The attached tariff revisions do not change the approved rates. The Company requests the Commission allow the tariff changes to go into effect as filed. Thank you in advance for your assistance with this filing.

Very Truly Yours,

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cc: Docket-Related Service List