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

> Re: Docket Nos. DW 17-165 and DW 19-131 Abenaki Water Company, Rosebrook Water System Request for Change in Rates/Complaint of Omni Mount Washington Hotel, LLC

Dear Ms. Howland:

This follows up on the secretarial letter issued on May 18, 2020 in DW 17-165, postponing the previously scheduled May 23 hearing in that docket to June 3. You took that action at my request, based on my representation that I was undertaking efforts to settle the pending disputes in DW 17-165 and the related complaint proceedings instituted by Omni Mount Washington Hotel LLC in DW 19-131. At that time, I reported significant progress toward settlement.

The secretarial letter established today as the deadline for submitting a fully executed settlement agreement. We will not be able to meet that deadline.

In the meantime, two other realities loom. Memoranda of Law are presumably due in DW 19-131 on June 3 (based on an assented-to scheduling proposal filed by Staff on April 24). And the Commission has scheduled a technical session on June 3, directly conflicting with the DW 17-165 hearing, in two important natural gas dockets (DG 17-152 and DG 17-198) that require my personal participation.

Given these circumstances, I reluctantly and respectfully request that the Commission again postpone the DW 17-165 hearing now scheduled for June 3 as well as the deadlines for filing memoranda of law and reply memoranda in DW 19-131. I apologize for the lack of detail accompanying this request but I trust that is understandable in the circumstances. I am authorized to state that Abenaki Water Company, Omni Mount Washington Hotel, LLC, the Bretton Woods Property Owners Association and the Staff of the Commission have assented to the requests made herein.

Sincerely,

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Cc: Service lists in DW 17-165 and DW 19-131, via e-mail