March 20, 2023

## STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

## BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

## HAMPSTEAD AREA WATER COMPANY, INC. Request for Change in Rates

Docket No. DW 23-020

Petition of KAREN STEELE for Intervention

Pursuant to the Order of Notice issued by the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission in the above captioned proceeding, N.H. Code Admin. Rules Puc 203.17, and RSA 541-A:32, Karen Steele hereby petitions for leave to intervene in this matter. In support of its petition, Karen Steele states as follows:

Rule Puc 203.17 provides that the Commission shall grant petitions to intervene in accordance with the standards of RSA 541-A:32. RSA 541-A:32, part of the Administrative Procedure Act, provides that a petition to intervene shall be granted upon a showing that the petitioner has "rights, duties, privileges, immunities or other substantial interests" that may be affected by the proceeding, and "the interests of justice and the orderly and prompt conduct of the proceedings would not be impaired by allowing the intervention." Karen Steele of 4 Pebble Brook Road, Atkinson, NH 03811 is a residential customer (as a taxpayer to the Town of Atkinson, who is a customer) of said utility and would be adversely affected by the said rate increase.

WHEREFORE, respectfully request that this honorable Commission

A. Grant the petition for intervention, and

B. Provide any other such relief as it deems appropriate.

Sincerely,

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