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HAND-DELIVERED

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

**RE: Pennichuck Water Works, Inc.
NHPUC Docket #DW04-048**

Dear Ms. Howland:

Enclosed are an original and eight copies of a Petition For Late Intervention on Behalf of Anheuser-Busch, Inc. in connection with the above case. A disk containing the text of the Petition is also enclosed. Copies have been forwarded to Steve Camerino, Esquire, counsel for Pennichuck Water Works, Inc., Marcia Thunberg, Esquire, counsel to Public Utilities Commission Staff, Robert Upton, II, counsel for the City of Nashua, and Anne Ross, Esquire, Counsel in the Office of Consumer Advocate Counsel.

Very truly yours,



Dom S. D'Ambruoso

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THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
BEFORE THE
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF THE DETERMINATION OF THE
FAIR MARKET VALUE OF THE PLANT AND PROPERTY OF
PENNICHUCK WATER WORKS, INC., PENNICHUCK EAST
UTILITY, INC., AND PITTSFIELD AQUEDUCT COMPANY, INC.

NHPUC DOCKET DW 04-048
PETITION for VALUATION PURSUANT TO RSA 38

**PETITION FOR LATE INTERVENTION ON BEHALF OF
ANHEUSER-BUSCH, INC**

NOW COMES Anheuser-Busch, Inc. ("AB"), by its attorneys, Ransmeier & Spellman, Professional Corporation, and petitions for intervention in the above-captioned proceeding pursuant to the provisions of RSA 541-A:32 (II).

REQUEST FOR LATE INTERVENTION

AB is a very large customer of Pennichuck Water Works, Inc. ("Pennichuck"). During 2003, AB purchased approximately 710 million gallons of water from Pennichuck at a cost of approximately \$780,000 pursuant to the provisions of a special contract dated May 8, 1995. The water supply from PWW to AB is a vital element of AB's business. AB has relied on the special contract in making long-term decisions concerning its

acquisition of water and concerning its operations in Merrimack as a whole. Thus the rights and substantial interests of AB may be affected by the outcome of this proceeding.

AB's intervention will not impair the orderly and prompt conduct of this proceeding. AB is willing to abide by the procedural schedule to be established by the Commission. AB's counsel is familiar with the proceedings of the Commission and has the ability to participate effectively and expeditiously in matters arising in this proceeding. Thus, the provisions of RSA 541:A-32 (II) are satisfied.

In addition, it would serve the interests of justice for the Commission to grant this intervention. The interests of AB need to be considered in this proceeding to allow a full development of the issues. The matters to be raised in this proceeding may have a direct pecuniary impact on AB and may have potential adverse consequences for AB. Through its intervention, AB will perform a valid and legitimate function of aiding the Commission in resolving questions before it on the issues.

CONCLUSION

The Commission, in the proper exercise of its discretion, should expressly permit AB to intervene and to present witness testimony if necessary. AB is a very large industrial customer and justice requires that the interests of such industrial customer be considered in the context of this proceeding. Moreover, AB's intervention will not impair the orderly and prompt conduct of this proceeding.

Respectfully submitted,

ANHEUSER-BUSCH, INC.

By its Attorneys,

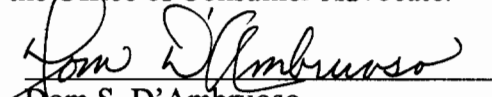
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that copies of the within pleading have this day been forwarded to Steve Camerino, Esquire, counsel for Pennichuck Water Works, Inc. Marcia Thunberg, Esquire, counsel to Public Utilities Commission Staff, Robert Upton, II counsel for the City of Nashua and Anne Ross Esquire, counsel in the Office of Consumer Advocate.


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