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To: ulads; calendar@fosters.com; news@seacoastonline.com Subject: Display Ad

August 16, 2006

Re: For Publication

To The Ad Department:

Please publish the attached Display Ad as a bordered ad with the State seal in the next issue of <u>The Union Leader</u>, <u>The Fosters</u>, and <u>The Portsmouth Herald</u>. We would also ask that you forward an affidavit of publication and tear sheet to this office on or before September 11, 2006, or as soon as possible.

Please send the tear sheet and affidavit to Debra A. Howland, Executive Director, NHPUC, 21 South Fruit Street, Suite 10, Concord NH 03301. The payment invoice should be sent to Debbie Gilman, Business Office, New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission, at the same address.

Sincerely, Adele E. Leighton Case Coordinator 603-271-2438

cc: Debbie Gilman Docket File: DW 06-094

# NOTICE OF PUBLIC STATEMENT HEARING

# Acquisition of Aquarion Water Company by Macquarie Utilities, Inc.

#### **September 11, 2006**

#### 6:00 p.m. Winnacunnet High School Hampton, New Hampshire

On June 22, 2006, Aquarion Water Company (Aquarion) and Macquarie Utilities, Inc. (Macquarie) jointly filed with the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission (Commission) a petition for approval of the indirect acquisition of Aquarion by Macquarie Utilities, Inc. Aquarion is the parent company of Aquarion Water Company of New Hampshire, which serves retail water customers in Hampton, North Hampton, and Rye.

According to the petition, Kelda Group, plc, a public limited company organized under the laws of England and Wales, is the current owner of Aquarion . Through a subsidiary, Kelda Group, plc proposes to sell Aquarion and certain affiliated water utilities to Macquarie, a corporation organized under Delaware law and owned by two investment entities, Macquarie Infrastructure Partners and Macquarie Utilities, LP.

The petitioners state that the proposed acquisition will not have an adverse impact on the rates, terms, services and operations of Aquarion.

The Commission is holding a public statement hearing on September 11, 2006 at 6:00 p.m. to receive comment from consumers and any other interested groups on the proposed acquisition.

Further information can be obtained by contacting the Commission at 1-800-842-3793 (NH only) or 603-271-2431.



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