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Debra A. Howland, Executive Director
N.H. Public Utilities Commission
21 S. Fruit Street, Suite 10
Concord, N.H. 03301-2429

Re: DW 08-088 Hampstead Area Water Company, Inc. – Financing Request
Proposed Procedural Schedule

Dear Ms. Howland:

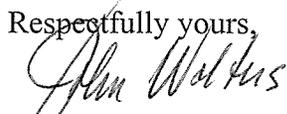
On September 3, 2008, I attended a P.U.C. technical session as an intervener. Chairman Thomas Getz requested, I forward to the Commission petitions which were received regarding the Hampstead Water Company. The petitions are enclosed with approximately 200 signatures.

Several issues concern us:

- a. From 2001 thru 2006 the water usage of Hampstead Water Company in Atkinson, N.H. grew by 7,000 gallons a day. The water consumption growth averaged 1,000 gallons a day per year. Hampstead Water Company applies to the State of N.H. for a \$1,185,000.00 loan to increase the water available by 2010 for an additional 100,000 gallons per day; and by 2014 an increase to 250,000 gallons per day. At no point in their application is there an accurate and detail need for such a quantity of water for the residences of Atkinson. The Company in their application lists an estimated 380 new hook-ups. This number is pure speculation and without prior history.
- b. We are very concerned the new withdrawal may harm the community with shallow wells for homeowners not connected to this private water company. There is no quick provision to re-establish water to residences harmed by the withdrawal. I have been told that it will only take 3 to 5 calendar days to resolve an issue, but there appears to be no specific detailed procedure to carry this out.

Thank you for you consideration.

Respectfully yours,


John Wolters

