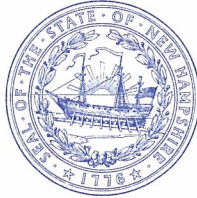


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Re: DW 12-085 Aquarion Water Company of New Hampshire, Inc.
Temporary and Permanent Rate Proceeding
Assented-to Proposed Change to the Procedural Schedule

Dear Ms. Howland:

Staff and the parties have discussed the procedural schedule and wish to alert the Commission that we do not need the February 20, 2013 hearing date that was originally set aside in this docket. Staff and the parties are currently discussing issues and whether there will be a need to modify the schedule for discovery or further testimony. We have not made a decision on whether any of the parties will be settling any issues. If a settlement is produced, Staff and the parties will inform the Commission of that development. We wish to keep the March 7, 2013 hearing date as a hearing on the merits, whether there is a settlement or otherwise.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Marcia A. Brown".

Marcia A. Brown
Staff Attorney

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