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May 3, 2011

Debra A. Howland
Executive Director and Secretary
Public Utilities Commission
21 South Fruit Street
Concord, NH 03301-2429

Re: DW 10-141, Lakes Region Water Company Rate Case
Joint Request to Suspend Procedural Schedule

Dear Ms. Howland:

I am writing to request that the procedural schedule in the above-referenced docket be suspended for six weeks. The approved schedule called for two tracks in order to explore a settlement of the issues in the case. In light of the many complex issues in the rate case docket, as well as in three other related pending dockets involving the company (DW 07-105, DW 11-021, and DA 10-043), we believe that more time is necessary to explore a negotiated resolution of these issues, and that neither track one nor two offers sufficient time to accomplish this objective. Commission Staff, Lakes Region Water Company, Inc., Property Owners Association at Suissevale, Inc., and Hidden Valley Property Owners Association support this request.

The parties will propose a new procedural schedule no later than June 20, 2011.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Respectfully,

Meredith A. Hatfield
Consumer Advocate

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cc: Service List (via email)

