

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
THE NEW HAMPSHIRE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

HAMPSTEAD AREA WATER COMPANY, INC

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PETITION TO EXPAND FRANCHISE, OPERATE WATER SYSTEM INSIDE OF THE NEW
FRANCHISE AREA, APPROVAL OF FINANCING, APPROVAL ACQUISITION OF
ASSETS AND APPROVAL OF THE APPLICATION OF EXISTING RATES
SNOW'S BROOK

The Petitioner, Hampstead Area Water Company, Inc. (HAWC), respectively petitions the N.H. Public Utilities Commission (Commission) to (1) expand its Franchise Area within the Town of Plaistow, as set forth on Exhibit 1; (2) for permission to operate a well field and water system within the Town of Plaistow, and within the area hereby petitioned for expansion.; (3) for approval of acquisition of assets; and (4) for approval of the application of the existing rate to this franchise area. In support of this Petition, HAWC says:

1. HAWC is presently franchised in most areas of Hampstead and Atkinson, New Hampshire, and has franchised satellite systems in various towns in Rockingham County (see Schedule A, attached). HAWC had been granted a consolidated rate in Docket DW-05-112, by Order No. 24,734, and the current consolidated rate, derived from Docket 12-170 by Order No. 25,519, would be applied to this franchise if granted.
2. That HAWC has received a request from the Owner, Hillcrest Estates, LLC, (Hillcrest), for new water service within the Town of Plaistow to provide service to a new, proposed Thirty Four (34) unit condominium development known as Snow's Brook, on the parcel shown on plan of land entitled "The Reserve at Snow's Brook Elderly Community", located in Plaistow, New Hampshire, said plan being dated November 1, 2013 with a latest revision on January 28, 2014, prepared by Christiansen & Sergi, and recorded in

the Rockingham Registry of Deeds as Plan no. D-38172 (Plan). This would be a satellite system in the Town of Plaistow for the Company.

3. Hillcrest has granted a Water Rights and Easement Deed as shown on Exhibit 1. The location of the Snow's Brook development and its proposed Thirty Four units in the development and the location of its proposed new wells are shown on Exhibit 2.
4. The proposed Franchise Expansion Area (Expansion) is shown on the Plan on Exhibit 3 as Proposed Expansion Area. For a more specific description and Plan see Exhibit 3.
5. There is approval by the N.H. Department of Environmental Services, Water Supply Division (DES) for the new well, and HAWC will be able to serve the Snow's Brook development under the provisions of the N.H. Public Utilities Statute. (Exhibit 4)
6. The Contract (Contract) between Hillcrest and HAWC is attached as Exhibit 5. Except for the proposed \$1,0000.00 per unit hook-up, to wit: \$34,000.00 in total upon full build-out of all Phases of the Development to be paid by HAWC to Hillcrest, the remaining amount of the cost of the system will be contributed to HAWC as Contribution In Aid Of Construction (CIAC).
7. With regard to the request for authority to Incur Debt and to purchase the system HAWC says:
 - A. Enclosed as Exhibit 5 is a Contract subject to the Commission's approval to purchase the system which contains the purchase price for the system, and the terms of payment.
 - B. Enclosed as Exhibit 6 is a Schedule of the Costs to be incurred by HAWC, if the purchase of the system is authorized by the Commission, allocated between CIAC,

and the proposed hook-up fees to be paid by HAWC, if so authorized by the Commission.

C. Attached hereto are copies of a proposed Bill of Sale (Exhibit 7), the Promissory Note between HAWC and Hillcrest (Exhibit 8), the Project Cost Schedule (Exhibit 9), and HAWC'S pro forma Continuing Property Records (CPR) (Exhibit 10) for those assets for which HAWC seeks approval to purchase.

8. With regard to the request for approval of rates HAWC says:

A. That HAWC presently has a consolidated system wide rate.

B. HAWC's consolidated rates, as most recently approved in Order No. 25,519, in Docket No. DW-12-170 consists of a \$10 monthly fixed charge per customer and a \$5.02 per 100 cubic foot consumption charge, billed monthly.

C. Attached is the Testimony of Harold Morse (Exhibit 11), and John Sullivan (Exhibit 12), in support of the requests herein.

WHEREFORE your Petitioner prays:

A. That the Commission find that it would be in the public good for the HAWC:

1. to extend and expand its Franchise Area to provide water service to the area within the Town of Plaistow as is shown on the attached Plan (Exhibit 3);

2. to be permitted to operate the proposed water system within the Town of Plaistow for purposes of supplying customers;

3. to be permitted to acquire the assets of the system upon completion of the same;

4. to be permitted to charge the existing consolidated rate contained in the tariff of HAWC for the Proposed Franchise Expansion Area as described in Exhibit 3;


B. That the Commission, by appropriate order, grant the HAWC permission to:

1. to extend and expand its Franchise Area to provide water service to the area within the Town of Plaistow as is shown on the attached Plan (Exhibit 3);
2. to be permitted to operate the proposed water system within the Town of Plaistow for purposes of supplying customers;
3. to be permitted to acquire the assets of the system upon completion of the same;
4. to be permitted to charge the existing consolidated rate contained in the tariff of HAWC for the Proposed Franchise Expansion Area as described in Exhibit 3;

C. That the Commission make such further findings and orders as may be appropriate on the circumstances.

Dated the 12th day of November, 2014

Respectfully submitted,
HAMPSTEAD AREA WATER COMPANY, INC.



Harold Morse, President