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Debra Howland
Executive Director & Secretary
NH Public Utilities Commission
21 South Fruit Street, Suite 10
Concord, NH 03301-2429

Re: NHPUC Docket No. 15-199 AWC Rate Filing
Sewer Fee Adjustment 2018 – Company clarification

Dear Ms. Howland:

On February 12, 2018 Ms. Descoteau of the PUC Staff filed Staff's ("Staff") recommendation with the PUC regarding the Company's request for a sewer rate adjustment. As indicated in Staff's recommendation, the Company concurred with the recommendation except for the effective date. Staff is recommending that the effective date be "on a service rendered basis effective as of the date of the Commission's order approving this revenue requirement adjustment" The Company recommends that the effective date be December 1, 2018, the same date as the City of Laconia's increase.

If the Commission approves Staff's recommendation, the Company will lose 3 months of revenue amounting to \$1,301.66. Attachment A, provides the supporting calculation. The 3 months of revenue are needed to pay the 3 months of City of Laconia sewer costs increase. The Company does not make any money on the expense. It is simply an amount that the Company bills and collects from customers to pay the City of Laconia expense. While the Company does not make any money on this expense, it does not want to lose any money on the expense.

The settlement agreement approved by the Commission contemplated an adjustment based on the known and measurable changes to be assessed by the City of Laconia. It did not contemplate implementing an effective date that results in the Company losing 3 month of sewer adjustment revenue.

The Company has already spent \$2,248.13 pursuing the approval of the sewer adjustment. The Company has deferred such costs with the intent to pursue recovery as rate case expenditures.

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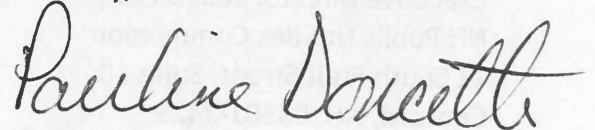
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The Company appreciates the Commission's consideration of the Company recommendation of the December 1, 2018 effective date. It also reiterates the need for a PUC order by no later than February 28, 2019 so that it can implement the new rates.

If you, the Commissioners and / or the PUC Staff have any questions or comments, please let me know.

Sincerely,



Pauline Doucette,
President

Cc Stephen P. St. Cyr