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Re: Lakes Region Water Company, Inc.
Docket No. DW 15-209 & DW 15-422
Procedural Schedule for Remainder of Docket

Dear Ms. Howland:

On May 19, 2016, Lakes Region Water Company, Inc. (Lakes Region) filed a letter with the Commission in this proceeding, summarizing an alternative to its original proposal for the inclusion of Allowance for Funds Used During Construction (AFUDC) in its rate base value for certain new water supply assets (the Mount Roberts project). Lakes Region indicated that its shareholder would instead propose to contribute the assets to Lakes Region as equity, and to balance this additional equity capital with new debt financing. The debt financing would be used to 1) acquire the Dockham Shores Estates water system in Gilford and to make needed capital improvements there¹; 2) make capital improvements to Lakes Region's White Mountain Gateway and Wentworth Cove systems; and 3) undertake improvements to the company's offices and shop work area. Lakes Region also requested the scheduling of a technical session such that Staff and the parties to the docket could discuss this alternative proposal, which the Commission scheduled for June 8, 2016.

Staff, Lakes Region, Indian Mound Property Owners Association, Mr. Murray Movitz, and the Office of the Consumer Advocate (OCA) met in the scheduled technical session and reviewed Lakes Region's alternative proposal. Staff and the parties believe this proposal is a reasonable way to proceed, and submit the following procedural schedule for the Commission's consideration and approval:

Lakes Region Response to Outstanding Discovery	6/17/16
Data Requests to Lakes Region	6/24/16
Responses	7/7/16
Staff and Intervenor Testimony	8/3/16
Tech Session/Settlement Conference, 9 am	8/10/16
Data Requests to Staff and Intervenors	8/17/16

¹ On May 31, 2016, Lakes Region submitted a petition to acquire the Dockham Shores Estates water system. That petition was assigned Docket No. DW 16-619.

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Responses	8/26/16
Rebuttal Testimony (if necessary)	9/12/16
Hearing on the Merits, 10 am	10/12/16

Staff has requested that the October 12 hearing date be held on the Commission calendar, pending approval of this procedural schedule.

Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Sincerely,



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Director, Gas & Water Division

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