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Ms. Debra A. Howland Executive Director New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission 21 S. Fruit Street, Suite 10 Concord, NH 03301

Re: DW 17-118, Hampstead Area Water Company, Inc.

Dear Ms. Howland:

By this letter, Staff seeks a modification of the procedural schedule in this abovecaptioned proceeding, and a waiver of the provisions of N.H. Code Admin. Rules Puc 203.20, insofar as Staff expects that, due to ongoing discussions, no Settlement Agreement will be filed today, as provided for in the procedural schedule. Staff projects a potential Settlement filing date of June 13, 2018, pending the outcome of discussions, but includes this embedded waiver request pursuant to N.H. Code Admin. Rules Puc 201.05 and Puc 203.20(f), as Staff is preparing for the contingency that a Settlement may be filed beyond the 5-day advance window of Puc 203.20(e) (the hearing for this matter is scheduled for June 19, 2018), and the Commission's consideration of such a potential Settlement would be in the public interest, not disrupt the orderly and efficient resolution of matters before the Commission, and not impair the rights of any party to the proceeding. The Company and the Office of the Consumer Advocate have provided Staff with their concurrence with this request.

Sincerely,

Memer J. Sperter

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