

Abenaki Water Company and Aquarion Company

DW 21-090

Aquarion Water Company's Responses to OCA Data Requests—Set 2

Data Request Received: June 2, 2021  
Request No.: OCA 2-7

Date of Response: June 11, 2021  
Witness: D.Morrissey  
N. LaChance

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**REQUEST:** Refer Response to DR OCA 1-11. Please provide the email, letter or other correspondence that initiated the negotiations for Aquarion's purchase of NESC. If initiated via phone, please provide the first relevant letter, email or other correspondence.

**RESPONSE:** In mid-July 2020, Donald Vaughan, Chairman and Vice President of Operations of NESC, and Donald Morrissey, the President and Chief Operating Officer of Aquarion, spoke by telephone to set up a meeting with each other and Nicholas LaChance, the President and Chief Executive Officer of NESC, to discuss a potential sale of Abenaki to Aquarion. Subsequently, in late July 2020, the three met to discuss further Abenaki and a potential sale of Abenaki to Aquarion.

Mr. Morrissey subsequently sent the following email:

**From:** Don Morrissey <[DMorrissey@aquarionwater.com](mailto:DMorrissey@aquarionwater.com)>  
**Sent:** Thursday, July 30, 2020 5:01 PM  
**To:** 'nlachance@newenglandservicecompany.com'  
<[nlachance@newenglandservicecompany.com](mailto:nlachance@newenglandservicecompany.com)>  
**Cc:** Don Vaughan  
<[dvaughan@newenglandservicecompany.com](mailto:dvaughan@newenglandservicecompany.com)>  
([dvaughan@newenglandservicecompany.com](mailto:dvaughan@newenglandservicecompany.com))  
<[dvaughan@newenglandservicecompany.com](mailto:dvaughan@newenglandservicecompany.com)>  
**Subject:** Great seeing you and Don

Nick,  
It was great seeing you and Don for lunch today. Please find my contact info below, and send along some of the basic background details on your NH operation and we can connect again to discuss.  
Have a great weekend!  
Don

Donald J. Morrissey  
President  
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