#### STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

COMMISSIONER
Jared S. Chicoine

DEPUTY COMMISSIONER Christopher J. Ellms, Jr.



TDD Access: Relay NH 1-800-735-2964

Tel. (603) 271-3670

Website: www.energy.nh.gov

Daniel C. Goldner, Chairman New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission 21 South Fruit Street Concord, New Hampshire 03301 September 12, 2024

Re: Docket No. DW 23-101 Pennichuck Water Works, Inc., Pennichuck East Utility, Inc. and Pittsfield Aqueduct Company, Inc. – Joint Petition for the Consolidation of Pennichuck Water Works, Inc., Pennichuck East Utility, Inc., and Pittsfield Aqueduct Company, Inc. – DOE Status Update

### Dear Chairman Goldner:

On March 4, 2024, the Public Utilities Commission (Commission) approved a proposed assented-to procedural schedule, with the exception of the parties' proposed hearing dates, filed by Pennichuck East Utility, Inc., Pittsfield Aqueduct Company, and Pennichuck Water Works, Inc. (collectively, the Joint Petitioners) on February 28, 2024. Included in the approved procedural schedule is a filing date of September 12, 2024, for the Department of Energy (Department) to submit a report to the Commission regarding the status of the proceeding and a determination of whether the parties will pursue the Settlement or Litigation track included in the schedule. The Department files this letter as its September 12 report.

Over the past several months the Department and other parties have issued several rounds of data requests and engaged in several technical sessions and a settlement session. The Department has engaged in meaningful back and forth with the Joint Petitioners and the Department believes the parties remain on track to provide a settlement agreement by the October 31 deadline, as set forth in the procedural schedule.

In its July 11 Interim Report, the Department described certain concerns regarding the City of Nashua's (Nashua) observed lack of participation in this proceeding. In the subsequent weeks and months, the Department engaged with Nashua and other parties to this docket, both separately and jointly. The Department believes Nashua will provide feedback to the parties ahead of the October 31 Settlement deadline.

Respectfully,

Matthew C. Young, Esq.

Moth C. My

cc: Docket Service List (Electronically)

an official NH Government website



# **View Service Lists**

↑ (../Regulatory/regulatory.htm)

## Service List - Docket Related

Docket# : 23-101 Printed: 9/12/2024

**Email Addresses** 

ClerksOffice@puc.nh.gov wfa@rathlaw.com Marie-Helene.B.Bailinson@energy.nh.gov john.boisvert@pennichuck.com boltons@nashuanh.gov mab@nhbrownlaw.com chris.countie@pennichuck.com mcourtney@uptonhatfield.com Michael.J.Crouse@oca.nh.gov Energy-Litigation@energy.nh.gov robyn.j.descoteau@energy.nh.gov lori.douglas@pennichuck.com julia.gagnon@pennichuck.com david.n.goyette@energy.nh.gov jay.kerrigan@pennichuck.com jayson.p.laflamme@energy.nh.gov anthony.j.leone@energy.nh.gov rlirette@sheehan.com jlyon@sheehan.com karen.j.moran@energy.nh.gov ocalitigation@oca.nh.gov mosbon@uptonhatfield.com davidrussell015@comcast.net laura@mitchellmunigroup.com jjs@rathlaw.com George.Torres@Pennichuck.com Charles.J.Underhill@oca.nh.gov smw@rathlaw.com donald.ware@pennichuck.com Matthew.C.Young@energy.nh.gov

Without Email Addresses

ΑII

### ClerksOffice@puc.nh.gov

William F Ardinger Rath, Young & Pignatelli, P.C. One Capitol Plaza Concord NH 03301 wfa@rathlaw.com

Marie-Helene Bailinson-Georges New Hampshire Department of Energy

Marie-Helene.B.Bailinson@energy.nh.gov

John Boisvert
Pennichuck Water Works, Inc.

john.boisvert@pennichuck.com

Steven Bolton City of Nashua 229 Main St. Nashua NH 03061-2019 boltons@nashuanh.gov

Marcia A Brown NH Brown Law, PLLC 20 Noble Street Somersworth NH 03878 mab@nhbrownlaw.com

Chris Countie
Pennichuck Corporations

chris.countie@pennichuck.com

Michael Courtney
Town of Bedford

mcourtney@uptonhatfield.com

Michael Crouse
Office of Consumer Advocate

Michael.J.Crouse@oca.nh.gov

Department of Energy
Department of Energy
21 South Fruit St Ste 10
Concord NH 03301
Energy-Litigation@energy.nh.gov

Robyn J Descoteau
Department of Energy
21 South Fruit St Ste 10
Concord NH 03301
robyn.j.descoteau@energy.nh.gov

Lori Douglas Pennichuck East Utility, Inc.

lori.douglas@pennichuck.com

Julia Gagnon
Pennichuck East Utility, Inc.

julia.gagnon@pennichuck.com

David N Goyette
Department of Energy
21 South Fruit St Ste 10
Concord NH 03301
david.n.goyette@energy.nh.gov

Jay Kerrigan
Pennichuck Corporations
25 Walnut Street
Nashua NH 03061-0428
jay.kerrigan@pennichuck.com

Jayson P Laflamme
Department of Energy
21 South Fruit St Ste 10
Concord NH 03301
jayson.p.laflamme@energy.nh.gov

Anthony J Leone
Department of Energy
21 South Fruit St Ste 10
Concord NH 03301
anthony.j.leone@energy.nh.gov

Ryan Lirette Sheehan Phinney Bass & Green 1000 Elm Street Manchester NH 03105-3701 rlirette@sheehan.com

Jennifer P Lyon

jlyon@sheehan.com

Karen J Moran
Department of Energy
21 South Fruit St Ste 10
Concord NH 03301
karen.j.moran@energy.nh.gov

OCA Litigation
OCA Litigation
21 South Fruit St Ste 18
Concord NH 03301
ocalitigation@oca.nh.gov

Madeline Osbon Town of Bedford

mosbon@uptonhatfield.com

David Russell

davidrussell015@comcast.net

Laura A Spector-Morgan Mitchell Municipal Group, PA 25 Beacon St East Laconia NH 03246 laura@mitchellmunigroup.com

James Steinkrauss Rath, Young & Pignatelli, P.C.

jjs@rathlaw.com

George Torres
Pennichuck Corporations

George.Torres@Pennichuck.com

Charles J Underhill
Office of Consumer Advocate

Charles.J.Underhill@oca.nh.gov

Susan Walker
Rath, Young & Pignatelli, P.C.
One Capital Plaza
Concord NH 03302-1500
smw@rathlaw.com

Don Ware
Pennichuck Water Works, Inc.
25 Walnut Street
Nashua NH 03061-0428
donald.ware@pennichuck.com

Matthew C Young
Department of Energy
21 South Fruit St Ste 10
Concord NH 03301
Matthew.C.Young@energy.nh.gov