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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

Daniel C. Goldner, Chairman
New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission
21 South Fruit Street, Suite 10
Concord, NH 03301-2429

**Re: Petition of Pennichuck East Utility, Inc. for Approval
of Proposed 2024 Qualified Capital Project
Adjustment Charge
Docket No. DW 24-029**

Dear Chairman Goldner:

On April 26, 2024, the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission (“Commission”) approved the assented-to procedural schedule previously filed by the Department of Energy (“Department”) and Pennichuck East Utility, Inc., (“Company”) on April 11, 2024 for Docket No. DW 24-029. On September 12, 2024, the Department of Energy (“Department”) filed a recommendation that the parties pursue the settlement track in Docket No. DW 23-101 which impacts the procedural schedule, as approved on April 26, 2024. The procedural schedule in Docket No. DW 23-101 was amended as approved by the Commission on September 20, 2024. On October 1, 2024, after meeting between the parties, the Company, with the assent of the Department, requests the Commission to amend the procedural schedule for the PWW 2024 QCPAC in DW 24-029 to account for the extended schedule in Docket No. DW 23-101 as follows:

	<u>Current Date:</u>	<u>Proposed Dates:</u>
File Settlement(s) or DOE Report for Consolidated QCPAC Rate	December 3, 2024	December 20, 2024

Issue Updated Customer Notices to PW, PEU, and PAC Customers
Notifying them of Proposed Consolidated QCPAC Rate

One Capital Plaza
Concord, NH 03302-1500
T (603) 226-2600
F (603) 226-2700

20 Trafalgar Square
Suite 307
Nashua, NH 03063
T (603) 889-9952
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2nd Floor
Boston, MA 02109
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The relief requested is consistent with PUC 203.13 requirements because the above-referenced schedule will ensure all parties have sufficient time to review the issues thoroughly, allow the Company and Department to appropriately craft and review discovery, evaluate the progress of the settlement proceedings in Docket No. DW 23-101, negotiate and file a settlement, and consolidate the notice to customers for the 2024 QCPAC with proposed notice for the 2025 QCPAC to avoid the expense to the Company and ratepayers for a separate mailing in November. The Company, with the assent of the Department, believes this requested schedule will promote the orderly and efficient conduct of the petition and matter. There will be no undue hardship placed on the parties if the amended schedule is approved.

This filing does not contain any confidential materials and is made electronically. Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,



James J. Steinkrauss

Cc: Docket Service List (via electronic mail)