### Pennichuck Water Works, Inc. BALANCE SHEET ASSETS AND DEFERRED CHARGES For the Twelve Months Ended December 31, 2023 October 15, 2024

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October 15, 2024			Pro Forma
Account Number	12/31/2023	Pro Forma Adjustments	12/31/2023
301 to 348	259,542,459	-	259,542,459
105	1,064,311	-	1,064,311
	260,606,770	-	260,606,770
108	76,404,187	-	76,404,187
	184,202,583	_	184,202,583
114 & 115	156,511	-	156,511
	184,046,072	-	184,046,072
131 & 133	6,000	-	6,000
131	7,400,699	-	7,400,699
131	221,250	-	221,250
131	-		-
131	-	-	-
131	-	-	-
131	-		-
131	-		-
141 & 143	3,145,420	-	3,145,420
173	2,220,564	-	2,220,564
142	-	-	-
151	1,194,028	-	1,194,028
162	32,232,988	-	32,232,988
163 & 236	-	-	-
162.3	-	-	-
	46,420,949	-	46,420,949
181	6,354,820	18,600	(1), (2) 6,373,420
186	56,687,855	-	56,687,855
182,184,186	7,295,942	-	7,295,942
	70,338,617	18,600	70,357,217
	\$ 300,805,638	\$ 18,600	\$ 300,824,238
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### Notes:

(1) To record debt issuance expenses related to PWW FALOC renewal.

(2) To record Year 1 amortization expense for renewed FALOC.

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### Pennichuck Water Works, Inc. BALANCE SHEET EQUITY AND LIABILITIES For the Twelve Months Ended December 31, 2023 October 15, 2024

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	-	-	-
231			
231			
<u> </u>	1,852,264	-	1,852,264
236	45,573	-	45,573
237	1,462,111	-	1,462,111
241	995,303	-	995,303
236	-	-	-
235	247,819	-	247,819
	4,603,070	-	4,603,070
282	18 489 106	_	18,489,106
	-	_	
	32.699.756	_	32,699,756
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	75,728,448		75,728,448
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#### Notes:

 $\overline{(1)}$  To record the impact of amortization expense and income tax benefit on retained earnings.

(2) To record the use of funds through the intercompany debt

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	Account Number	TWELVE MONTHS 12/31/23	PRO FORMA ADJUSTMENTS		O FORMA 12 MONTHS 12/31/23
Water Sales	460 to 462	\$ 38,177,589	\$ -	\$	38,177,589
Other Operating Revenue	471	417,050	-		417,050
Total Revenues		38,594,639	-		38,594,639
Production Expenses	601 to 652	7,051,548	-		7,051,548
Transmission & Distribution Expenses	660 to 678	3,642,095	-		3,642,095
Engineering Expenses	660	1,052,382	-		1,052,382
Customer Acct & Collection Exp	902 to 904	1,849,894	-		1,849,894
Administrative & General Expense	920 to 950	8,860,749	-		8,860,749
Inter Div Management Fee	930	(3,313,990)	-		(3,313,990)
Total Operating Expense		19,142,678	_		19,142,678
Dep Exp/Acq Adj Expense	403 & 406	6,488,712	-		6,488,712
Amortization Expense:CIAC	405	(859,539)	-		(859,539)
Amortization Expense	407	2,251,726	-		2,251,726
Gain on Debt Forgiveness	414	(63,284)	-		(63,284)
Property Taxes	408.1	5,213,065	-		5,213,065
Income Tax	409 to 410	204,512	(3,336)	(2)	201,176
Total Operating Deductions		13,235,192	(3,336)		13,231,857
Net Operating Income		6,216,769	3,336		6,220,104
Other Income and Deductions AFUDC		17,500	-		17,500
Interest Expenses		6,695,272	_		6,695,272
Debt Issuance Cost New/Amortization		-	12,400	(1)	12,400
Net Income		(461,003)	(9,064)		(470,068)
		(461,003) (0)			

### Notes:

1 - To record the amortization of new debt expense.

2 - To record the tax impact resulting from additional expenses at statutory composite rate of 26.9%.

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### Pennichuck Water Works, Inc. OPERATING INCOME STATEMENT For the Twelve Months Ended December 31, 2023 October 15, 2024

Supporting Calculations:										
Interest Expense:	Amount		Rate		nterest					
FALOC usage (see note 1 below)	\$ <b>\$</b>	-	4.000%		-					
Totals	\$	-	4.000%	\$	-					
Description										
Depreciation		٨	anat Cast					Dan	radiation	
Additions:		P	sset Cost		Total	-	Rate	Dep	reciation Amount	
					Total	-	Nate		Amount	
Totals	s	- \$	-	\$	-	-		\$		-
Deletions:	Gross Book Va	alue	NBV	Ac	cc Depn					
Twin Ridge Assets being taken out of service	\$	- \$	-	\$	<u> </u>	-	#DIV/0!	\$		-
						=				
NOTE: Data for deletions from fixed asset accounting	a records as of	12/21/202	1 and for full y	(oor 202	71					
	ig records as or	12/31/202	i, and for full y		21					
Cost of Removal: 10%		۸	sset Cost					Don	reciation	
Cost of Removal: 1076		P			Total	-	Rate	Dep	Amount	
					Total	-	Nate		Amount	
Not applicable	\$	- \$	-	\$	-			\$		-
Totals	\$	- \$	-	\$	-	-		\$		-
	\$	- \$	-	\$	-	-				
Pro Forma Depreciation; net of deletions	5							Ś		-
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					Amortizatio	n				
Debt issuance amortization	Costs				Rate	Amount				
New FALOC		000 *			40.0% \$					
Totals		000		Δι	mortization \$	,				
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Property Taxes										
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State of New Hampshire		_								
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\* Commitment Fee of \$16k + \$15k for estimated legal fees

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### Pennichuck Water Works, Inc. Pro Forma Capital Structure for Ratemaking Purposes For the Twelve Months Ended December 31, 2023 October 15, 2024

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	<u>Pr</u>	<u>o Forma 2021</u>	<u> </u>	<u>Pro Forma</u> Eliminations	 ro Forma 2021 with Eliminations	<u>Component</u> <u>Ratio</u>
Long-term Debt	\$	135,655,290	\$	-	\$ 135,655,290	100.35%
Intercompany Debt		-		-	-	0.00%
<u>Common Equity:</u> Common Stock Paid In Capital Comprehensive Income Retained Earnings Total Common Equity	\$ \$ \$	30,000 85,249,834 - (470,068) 84,809,766	•	(30,000) (1) (85,249,834) (1) - (85,279,834)	\$ - - - (470,068) (470,068)	-0.35%
Total Capital	\$	220,465,056	\$	(85,279,834)	\$ 135,185,222	100.00%

### Notes:

(1) Per Order 25,292 in DW 11-026, eliminate the MARA and related common equity.

Pennichuck Water Works, 2024 Faloc Renewal Finan Projected Rate Impact on Single Family October 15, 2024	ncing	2024 PWW Faloc Renewal Financing Petition DW 24 Schedule GT-4A Page 1 of 1
-	<u>SOFR + 1.75% ra</u>	ate
Total New Debt Amount - Loan Percentage - Loan Term (in years) -	6.95% 2	(a)
Annual Principal & Interest on Loan -		(b)
Coverage Multiplier, under DW 19-084	1.1 >	
Revenue Requirement for P&I: [(a) x (c)] - Property tax rate/\$1000 <sup>Note a</sup> - Projected Property Taxes: [(a)/1000 x (e)] -		(d) (e) (f)
Projected Revenue Requirment: [(d) + (f)] -	\$0	(g)
DW 23-032 Allowed Revenue Requirement	\$ 40,143,045	(e)
Calculated QCPAC Surcharge: [(d)/(e)] -	0.00%	(f) resulting from the proposed financing
Current Monthly Single Family Residential Bill <sup>Note b</sup> -	\$ 61.27	(g)
Monthly impact on Single Family Residential Bill of this Financing: $[(f) \times (g)]$	<mark>\$ -</mark>	per month

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### Pennichuck Water Works, Inc. Statement of Weighted Average Cost of Long-Term Debt For the Twelve Months Ended December 31, 2023 October 15, 2024

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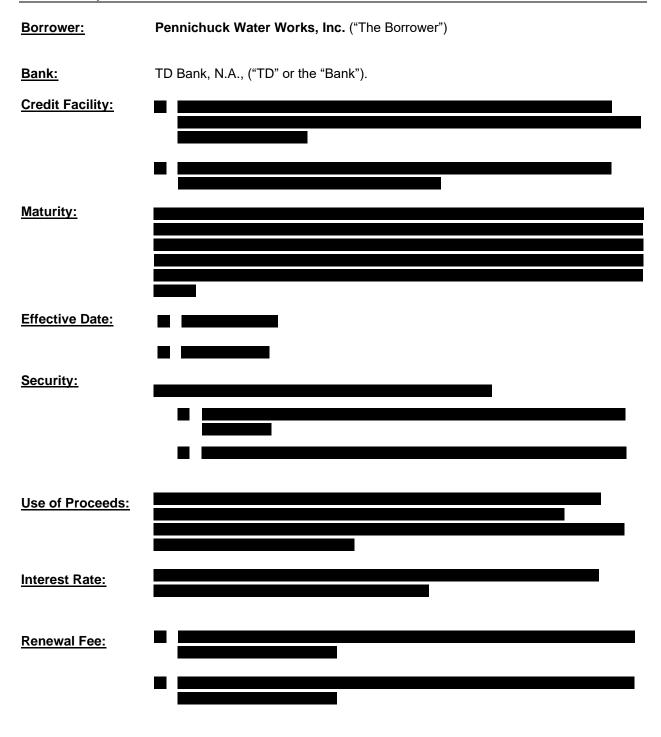
				Outstanding			Amort	All In	
TT 11	Ŧ		<b>D</b> .	Balance as of	added in	Annual	Issue	Annual	Effective
Holder	Term	Maturity	Rate	12/31/2023	2024	Interest (1)	Costs	Cost	Rate
BNY Mellon-2014 B Series Bonds	30	- , - ,	4.82%	4,500,000		217,118		217,118	4.825%
BNY Mellon-2018 A Series Bonds	30	, ,	4.90%	4,460,000		218,471		218,471	4.898%
BNY Mellon-2018 B Series Bonds	30	01/01/28	4.90%	600,000		29,391		29,391	4.898%
BNY Mellon-2019 A Series Bonds	30	01/01/49	4.22%	7,655,000	-	323,209	-	323,209	4.222%
BNY Mellon-2020 A Series Bonds	30	04/01/50	4.00%	6,985,000		279,400		279,400	4.000%
BNY Mellon-2020 B Series Bonds	3	04/01/23	5.25%	-		-		-	#DIV/0!
BNY Mellon-2020 C Series Bonds	30	09/01/55	1.95%	69,955,000		1,364,123		1,364,123	1.950%
BNY Mellon-2021 A Series Bonds	30	04/01/50	5.00%	4,900,000		245,000		245,000	5.000%
BNY Mellon-2021 B Series Bonds	3	04/01/24	1.05%	45,000		473		473	1.050%
BNY Mellon-2022 A Series Bonds	30	04/01/52	2.70%	6,590,000		177,930		177,930	2.700%
BNY Mellon-2022 B Series Bonds	3	04/01/25	3.63%	60,000		2,175		2,175	3.625%
BNY Mellon-2023 A Series Bonds	35	04/01/58	3.23%	5,930,000		191,539		191,539	3.230%
BNY Mellon-2023 B Series Bonds	3	04/01/25	4.75%	105,000		4,988		4,988	4.750%
BNY Mellon-2024 A Series Bonds	35	04/01/59	4.24%		9,405,000	398,772		398,772	4.240%
BNY Mellon-2024 B Series Bonds	2	04/01/25	5.75%		105,000	6,038		6,038	5.750%
SRF Loan - Hubbard Hill	20	04/01/22	3.80%	-		-	-	-	#DIV/0!
SRF Loan Contract #4 (water treatment plant)	20	10/01/29	3.49%	1,113,780		38,849	-	38,849	3.488%
ARRA Loan - Ashley Commons	20	05/01/31	2.95%	132,055		3,898	-	3,898	2.952%
ARRA Loan - French Hill	20	07/01/32	2.86%	420,796		12,052	-	12,052	2.864%
ARRA Loan - Armory (S. Nashua Booster Station)	20	12/01/31	2.86%	92,891		2,660	-	2,660	2.864%
ARRA Loan - Glen Ridge	20	09/01/32	2.86%	32,166		921	-	921	2.864%
SRF Loan - Drew Woods	20	06/01/32	2.95%	415,542		12,267	-	12,267	2.952%
SRF Loan - Nashua Core	20	07/01/36	2.46%	1,496,865		36,883	-	36,883	2.464%
SRF Loan- Timberline Booster Station	20	07/01/36	2.62%	225,917		5,910	-	5,910	2.616%
SRF Loan- Raw Water Transmission Main	20	11/01/36	3.17%	2,337,582		74,055	-	74,055	3.168%
SRF Loan- Amherst Street - 2016	30	05/01/47	2.42%	1,000,016		24,240	_	24,240	2.424%
DWGTF 3.375M Loan	30	04/01/51	2.70%	3,001,428		81,159	_	81,159	2.704%
DWGTF Merrimack Intake 5.5M	30	10/01/50	3.38%	5,146,015		173,935	_	173,935	3.380%
		, , -		127,200,053	9,510,000	3,925,453	-	3,925,453	2.87%

Notes:

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### Pennichuck Water Works, Inc.

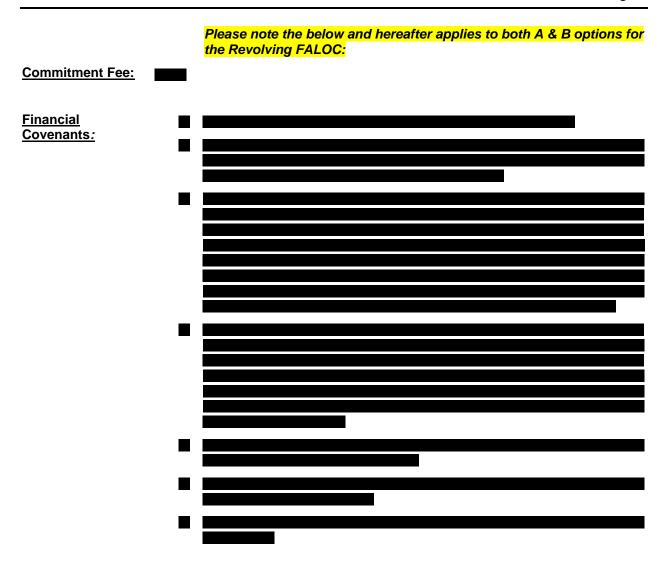
The proposed terms and conditions summarized herein are provided for discussion purposes only. They do not constitute an offer, agreement, or commitment to lend and are confidential. The terms and conditions upon which TD Bank, N.A. ("TD" or the "Bank") might extend credit to Pennichuck Water Works, Inc. (or the "Borrower") are subject to satisfactory review and completion of documentation, satisfactory completion of due diligence, approval by TD Bank Credit Authorities, and other such terms and conditions as may be determined by Bank and its counsel.



TD Bank, N.A.

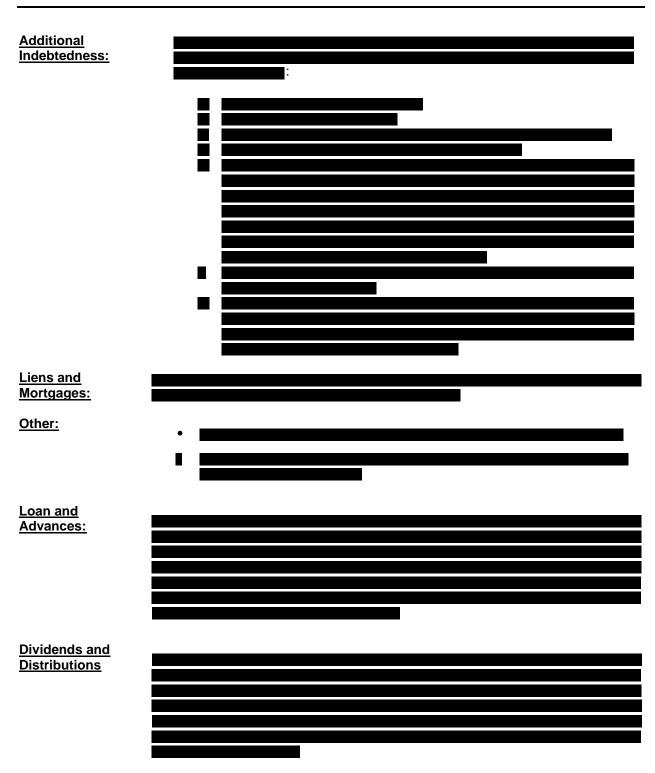
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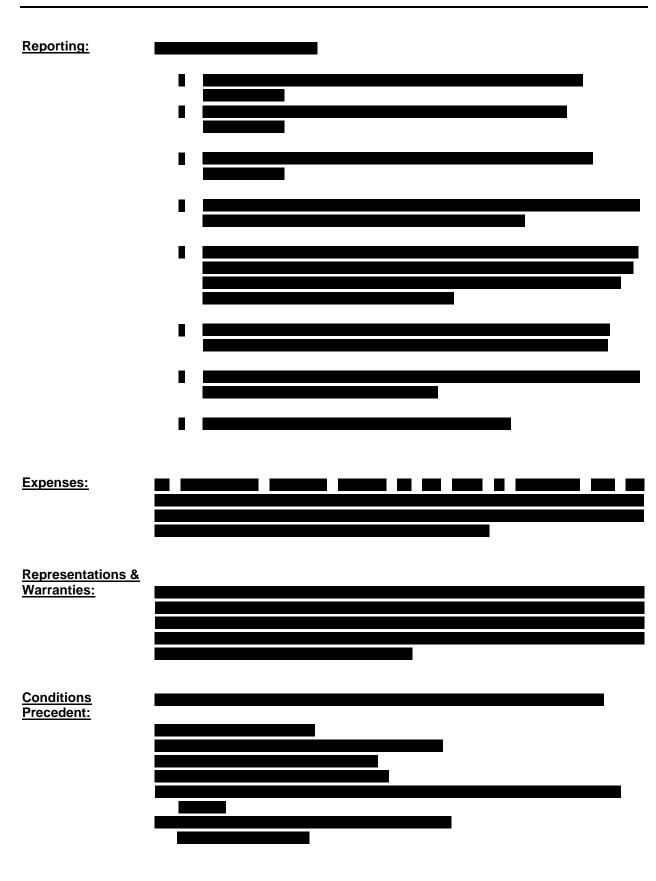




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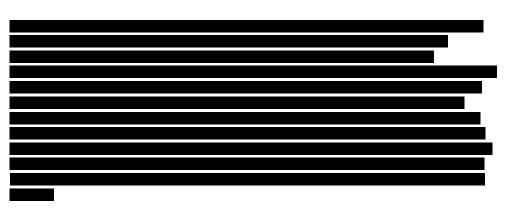
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Agreed to and accepted by:	
Pennichuck Water Works, Inc.	Date
TD Bank, N.A.	Date
Subsidiary	Exhibit A / Loans and Advances

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### PENNICHUCK WATER WORKS, INC.

### CORPORATE SECRETARY'S CERTIFICATE

I, Carol Ann Howe, do hereby certify that I am the duly elected Corporate Secretary of Pennichuck Water Works, Inc. (the "Company"), a New Hampshire corporation, and that I am authorized to execute and deliver this Certificate on behalf of the Company. In that capacity, I do hereby further certify that:

- 1. The following resolution was adopted by the Board of Directors of the Company on September 23, 2024; and such resolution has not been altered, amended or repealed, and is in full force and effect, as of the date hereof:
  - Resolved: that the Board of Directors of Pennichuck Corporation (the "Corporation") hereby authorize, approve and direct Pennichuck Water Works, Inc. ("PWW") to enter into a renewal and expansion of its \$12 million Fixed Asset Line of Credit ("FALOC") with TD Bank, N.A., including the expansion of the FALOC from \$12 million to \$16 million (the "FALOC Renewal and Expansion");

### Further

Resolved: that the Chief Executive Officer, the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer of the Corporation are severally authorized, empowered and directed to act as the Corporation's representative (either in its own capacity, or in the Corporation's capacity as the sole shareholder of PWW) for purposes of negotiating, executing and delivering any and all documents relating to the FALOC Renewal and Expansion and to take any and all actions as they may deem necessary or appropriate to implement the FALOC Renewal and Expansion;

Further

Resolved: that the Chief Executive Officer, the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer of the Corporation are hereby severally authorized, empowered and directed to take any and all actions to obtain all necessary approvals for the FALOC Renewal and Expansion from the City of Nashua in its capacity as the sole shareholder of the Corporation, and from the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission, and any other authority determined by such officers relating to the FALOC Renewal and Expansion; and

### Further

Resolved: that the taking of such actions and the execution and delivery of such documents to be sufficient and conclusive evidence that the same are within the authority conferred by these resolutions; and that all prior acts of said officers of the Corporation to accomplish the purposes of these resolutions are hereby approved and ratified.

Resolved: that the Board of Directors of Pennichuck Water Works (the "Company") hereby authorizes acceptance of a grant of up to \$410,190 from the State of New Hampshire acting through the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (NHDES) to assess potential Merrimack River crossing locations for water main construction. This will include multiple surveys of the Merrimack River, underwater dive inspections, post data processing and a summary report, coordination of stakeholder meetings, geotechnical evaluations, environmental due diligence, preliminary design for the river and railroad crossing, and other associated eligible project costs for the purpose of identifying the most feasible scope for and location of a water main crossing of the Merrimack River.

### Further

Resolved: that the Company's Chief Executive Officer, Chief Operating Officer, or Chief Financial officer acting singly, are each hereby authorized to execute and deliver the Grant Agreement, and to execute any and all other documents necessary, and to take such further actions, as either of them, in their sole discretion, may deem necessary, proper or advisable, to carry out the intent of these resolutions.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand this 9th day of October, 2024.

and am Hove

Carol Ann Howe Corporate Secretary

### PENNICHUCK CORPORATION

### CORPORATE SECRETARY'S CERTIFICATE

I, Carol Ann Howe, do hereby certify that I am the duly elected Corporate Secretary of Pennichuck Corporation (the "Company"), a New Hampshire corporation, and that I am authorized to execute and deliver this Certificate on behalf of the Company. In that capacity, I do hereby further certify that:

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### Further

Resolved: that the Chief Executive Officer, the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer of the Corporation are severally authorized, empowered and directed to act as the Corporation's representative (either in its own capacity, or in the Corporation's capacity as the sole shareholder of PWW) for purposes of negotiating, executing and delivering any and all documents relating to the FALOC Renewal and Expansion and to take any and all actions as they may deem necessary or appropriate to implement the FALOC Renewal and Expansion;

### Further

Resolved: that the Chief Executive Officer, the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer of the Corporation are hereby severally authorized, empowered and directed to take any and all actions to obtain all necessary approvals for the FALOC Renewal and Expansion from the City of Nashua in its capacity as the sole shareholder of the Corporation, and from the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission, and any other authority determined by such officers relating to the FALOC Renewal and Expansion; and

### Further

Resolved: that the taking of such actions and the execution and delivery of such documents to be sufficient and conclusive evidence that the same are within the authority conferred by these resolutions; and that all prior acts of said officers of the Corporation to accomplish the purposes of these resolutions are hereby approved and ratified.

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In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand this 9th day of October, 2024.

Howe and

Carol Ann Howe Corporate Secretary

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## **RESOLUTION**

### AUTHORIZING PENNICHUCK WATER WORKS, INC. TO RENEW AND INCREASE ITS FIXED ASSET LINE OF CREDIT WITH TD BANK, N.A.

### **CITY OF NASHUA**

In the Year Two Thousand and Twenty-Four

*WHEREAS*, the City of Nashua is the sole shareholder of Pennichuck Water Works, Inc. ("Pennichuck") and each of its subsidiaries; and

*WHEREAS*, Article IX (3) of the Articles of Incorporation of Pennichuck and Article V §2 of the by-laws of Pennichuck require the approval of the sole shareholder (the City of Nashua) for Pennichuck to create, incur, assume, or guarantee any indebtedness for borrowed money, which includes contracting a loan on behalf of Pennichuck or its subsidiaries.

*NOW*, *THEREFORE*, *BE IT RESOLVED* by the Board of Aldermen of the City of Nashua that the City approves the renewal of Pennichuck Water Works, Inc., Fixed Asset Line of Credit with TD Bank, N.A., allowing for annual borrowings of up to \$16,000,000, pursuant to a security interest in Pennichuck Water Works, Inc. accounts receivable and inventory, and pledge of the stock of Pennichuck Water Works, Inc. and an assignment of its rights under the Money Pool Agreement and Cost Sharing Agreement (both as previously approved and in place under the oversight of the NHPUC), for the purpose of providing advances to be used for interim capital projects funding.

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### **LEGISLATIVE YEAR 2024**

### RESOLUTION: R-24-092

PURPOSE:

Authorizing Pennichuck Water Works, Inc. to renew and increase its Fixed Asset Line of Credit with TD Bank, N.A.

ENDORSERS: Alderman Patricia Klee

#### COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENT:

Pennichuck Water Special Committee

FISCAL NOTE: None.

### ANALYSIS

This resolution approves the proposal by Pennichuck Water Works, Inc. to renew and increase its Fixed Asset Line of Credit as described in the resolution.

We have forwarded additional information provided by Pennichick on the proposal to the Board of Aldermen.

Article IX (3) of Pennichuck Water Works, Inc. Articles of Incorporation and Article V §2 of the Pennichuck Water Works, Inc. by-laws requires City approval for the borrowing.

Approved as to form:

**Office of Corporation Counsel** 

September 2024

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CITY OF NASHUA OFFICE OF CORPORATION COUNSEL

### FIRST MEMORANDUM

TO:	Board of Aldermen
FROM:	Office of Corporation Counsel
DATE:	September 18, 2024
RE:	R-24-092 "Authorizing Pennichuck Water Works, Inc. to renew and increase its fixed asset line of credit with TD Bank, N.A."

Attached please find a letter from Pennichuck with supporting information for Resolution R-24-092 "Authorizing Pennichuck Water Works, Inc. to renew and increase its fixed asset line of credit with TD Bank, N.A."

Please note that the letter references Attachment A, which is a confidential term sheet for the line of credit renewal with TD Bank, N.A. This attachment is <u>not</u> included in the document attached to this memo. Attachment A, which is a confidential financial document, will be provided to the Board separately.

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VIA EMAIL

September 4, 2024

Mr. Steven A. Bolton Corporation Counsel City of Nashua 229 Main Street Nashua, NH 03060

Re: Pennichuck Water Works, Inc. – Request for Approval to Renew and increase its Fixed Asset Line of Credit with TD Bank, N.A.

Dear Attorney Bolton:

**Introduction**. As you know, the City of Nashua, New Hampshire (the "City") is the sole corporate shareholder of Pennichuck Corporation ("Pennichuck"). The City has been the sole shareholder since the acquisition of Pennichuck on January 25, 2012.

The purpose of this letter is to request that the City, acting in its capacity as sole shareholder, approve resolutions authorizing Pennichuck's regulated public water utility subsidiary, Pennichuck Water Works, Inc. ("PWW"), to renew and expand its current revolving Fixed Asset Line of Credit with TD Bank, N.A.

**Background**. As part of the City's acquisition of Pennichuck, in accordance with special legislation enacted by the State Legislature, and as unanimously approved by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen on January 11, 2011, the corporate structure of Pennichuck and its utility subsidiaries was retained. This corporate structure was retained for several reasons. First, the Mayor and Board of Aldermen desired to maintain stability and continuity for customers and employees of the Pennichuck utilities and the communities they serve. Second, retaining the corporate structure provided continuity for the existing relationships with regulatory agencies and financial/banking partners. Third, the Mayor and Board of Aldermen unanimously agreed that the corporate structure would encourage business-smart decisions and rely upon wellestablished governance principles of corporate law, pursuant to Pennichuck's Articles of Incorporation and its by-laws.

"(3) any action to (A) create, incur or assume any indebtedness for borrowed money or guarantee any such indebtedness of any person, (B) issue or sell any debt securities or warrants or other rights to acquire any debt securities of the [Pennichuck] Corporation or any of its Subsidiaries, or (C) guarantee any debt securities of any person."

**PWW Proposed Financings: Fixed Asset Line of Credit (FALOC)**. Pennichuck requests the City's approval to allow PWW to renew and expand it \$12,000,000 Fixed Asset Line of Credit with TD Bank, N.A., to a new multi-year facility at a level up to \$16,000,000, with an interest rate of 30-day SOFR +1.75%. This facility is being put in place to fund capital projects during each calendar year beginning January 1, 2025, which will then be repaid and refinanced in its entirety by annual bond issuances from the Integrated Capital Finance Plan offerings, in April of the successive year, for which an approval is being sought from the City in this request, for the capital project years 2025-2029 (bond issuance years 2026-2030). This renewed FALOC, upon approval and closing, will replace the current \$12.0 million FALOC for PWW with TD Bank, N.A., with financial covenants that are consistent with those that currently exist under the current FALOC, and in line with PWW's rate structure. This financing is in conformity with the modified rate methodology currently approved for PWW by the NH Public Utilities Commission in its rate filing under dockets DW 16-806 and DW 19-084. A copy of the Expression of Interest sheet for the revolving Fixed Asset Line of Credit with TD Bank, N.A., is attached to this letter as <u>Attachment A (to be treated as Confidential Information for Board of Aldermen usage only</u>).

**New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission Approval Required.** The proposed borrowing may not occur without the prior approval of the NHPUC. PWW intends to file a petition to request this approval during the month of September 2024. PWW will work with the NHPUC to set a schedule for considering this request that contemplates completing its review in order to allow PWW to put the renewed revolving Fixed Asset Line of Credit in place no later than January 1, 2025. A copy of this petition, once filed, will be available to the City and the public.

Approval by the Pennichuck and PWW Boards of Directors. The Pennichuck and PWW Boards of Directors have approved the proposed borrowing in concept and will also be required to approve the final terms and conditions of the proposed borrowing, near the time of the transaction closing.

**<u>Requested Approvals.</u>** For the reasons described above, Pennichuck respectfully requests that the City, acting in its capacity as sole shareholder of Pennichuck and pursuant to Article IX (3) of Pennichuck's Articles of Incorporation, authorize the following action:

RESOLVED, that the City hereby approves Pennichuck Water Works, Inc. entering into a renewal of its Fixed Asset Line of Credit with TD Bank, N.A., allowing for annual borrowings of up to \$16.0 million, pursuant to a security interest in PWW's accounts receivable and inventory, and pledge of the stock of PWW and an assignment of its rights under the Money Pool Agreement and Cost Sharing Agreement (both as previously approved and in place under the oversight of the NHPUC), for the purpose of providing advances to be used for interim capital projects funding, described above and in the NHPUC petition and testimony, and FURTHER RESOLVED, that Pennichuck Corporation and Pennichuck Water Works, Inc., their respective Board of Directors and Officers are severally authorized, empowered and directed to execute and deliver, in the name of and on behalf of Pennichuck Corporation and Pennichuck Water Works, Inc., Ioan and trust agreements and other related documents and agreements (the "Borrowing Agreements"), with such terms, including exhibits and schedules to such Borrowing Agreements, as may be deemed necessary or advisable in the several judgment of the Officers executing the Borrowing Agreements, and to take all other actions as they deem necessary or desirable to effect the proposed borrowings and the Borrowing Agreements and to carry out the purposes of these resolutions.

Respectfully submitted,

PENNICHUCK CORPORATION

in/ By: George Torres

Chief Financial Officer

cc: Mayor James Donchess Dorothy Clarke, Deputy Corp. Counsel John J. Boisvert, Chief Executive Officer President Lori Wilshire presided; Legislative Affairs Manager Donna Graham recorded.

Prayer was offered by Legislative Affairs Manager Donna Graham; Alderman Derek Thibeault led in the Pledge to the Flag.

Let's start the meeting by taking a roll call attendance.

The roll call was taken with 15 members of the Board of Aldermen present: Alderman O'Brien, Alderwoman Timmons, Alderman Moran, Alderman Thibodeau, Alderman Gouveia, Alderman Lopez, Alderman Sullivan, Alderman Clemons, Alderman Sennott, Alderman Jette, Alderman Thibeault, Alderman Klee, Alderman Dowd, Alderwoman Kelly, Alderman Wilshire.

Mayor James W. Donchess, Corporation Counsel Steve Bolton were also in attendance.

#### REMARKS BY THE MAYOR

#### President Wilshire

Mayor, did you wish to address the Board tonight?

#### Mayor Donchess

Yes, Madam President. I wanted to talk about a couple things particularly and mention the sad passing of a very significant Nashuan but that at the end.

First, I wanted to talk about the potential exclusion that is on the agenda but for which there's a special meeting scheduled on Thursday for further discussion. But I want to at least to introduce the subject a little bit now. We are under the auspices now of an unworkable what I think, budget cap which was given to us by the State Legislature. And I note again against the unanimous opinion of the Nashua House Delegation, 27 to nothing against this. They thought it was unworkable and it's now proving to be unworkable. And what we're faced with now is that even though we are seeking to pass bond resolutions and accept grants which will have no impact at all on the Fiscal '25 budget, not one dollar. We still have to get an exclusion to enable those proposals to be adopted and those proposals to go forward. Although, when I get to the Stellos thing, that is one that where we would need to spend cash but a one-time item. The idea that we need to include these things, grants and the appropriation or the authorization of bond issues in the tax cap calculation and we need to do what we call an exclusion in order to authorize those things going forward as I already said makes no common sense. So I've talked with and this is not a workable situation.

So I've talked with various aldermen on both sides of the aisle so to speak, about proposing in the next couple of months a tax cap that would go on the ballot for November of '25 the City Election when we can go forward with something like that and which would replace this unworkable situation we have with a tax cap that would be the ruling charter provision going forward. But looking to the exclusion, the reason we need this and is to undertake various infrastructure capital projects that are in really crying need.

What do we have on the agenda there and these have all been reviewed, well all been reviewed by our Ad Hoc Committee who was prioritizing the many, many capital projects that we have. What would I propose that we go forward with: the Stellos replacement – the field, the garages should be bonded and fixed. They are in a situation where they're not failing now but they should be fixed quickly. And if you want to take a tour you can go over to Elm Street right over here. And you can see that on the lowest level in a cage that is used to house vehicles and various items of equipment. There are maybe a dozen of these jack posts holding you know, supporting the principal horizontal concrete piece which is holding up the whole garage. Now, those could be taken out and the garage wouldn't fall down today but we don't want to get it to the point where it would. And in addition to that there's concrete falling in various places. There are rusting metal pieces within the concrete structure that should be removed and replaced. In one place the capped stones on the top of the garage have been removed and are now covered with canvas, otherwise we'd have water draining down through the structure. It needs to be repaired.

Number two, another one. Number three I guess this is, is the Greeley Park Stone House. Again, it may not fall down tomorrow but I'm telling you now it should be done right away because imagine if the roof on that thing collapsed. That is 100 years old and it is a bit of a complicated project because we are hoping to retain the look of the of the Stone House

### R-24-092

### Endorser: Alderman Patricia Klee AUTHORIZING PENNICHUCK WATER WORKS, INC. TO RENEW AND INCREASE ITS FIXED ASSET LINE OF CREDIT WITH TD BANK, N.A.

Given its second reading;

# MOTION BY ALDERMAN KLEE FOR FINAL PASSAGE OF R-24-092 MOTION CARRIED

Resolution R-24-092 is declared duly adopted.

### UNFINISHED BUSINESS - ORDINANCES

### O-24-033

Endorsers: Mayor Jim Donchess Alderman Richard A. Dowd Alderman-at-Large Michael B. O'Brien, Sr. Alderwoman-at-Large Gloria Timmons Alderman-at-large Melbourne Moran, Jr. Alderman Chris Thibodeau Alderman Thomas Lopez Alderman John Sullivan Alderman Tim Sennott Alderman Patricia Klee Alderman-at-Large Lori Wilshire

### UPDATING THE ORDINANCES RELATIVE TO SCHOOL SAFETY ZONES AND SCHOOL ZONE FLASHING SPEED LIMIT SIGNS

Given its second reading;

# MOTION BY ALDERMAN KLEE FOR FINAL PASSAGE OF O-24-033 MOTION CARRIED

Ordinance O-24-033 is declared duly adopted.

### NEW BUSINESS - RESOLUTIONS

### R-24-098

Endorsers: Mayor Jim Donchess Alderman-at-Large Michael B. O'Brien, Sr. Alderman-at-large Melbourne Moran, Jr. Alderman Thomas Lopez Alderman Patricia Klee Alderman Richard A. Dowd Alderwoman-at-Large Shoshanna Kelly Alderman-at-Large Lori Wilshire

RELATIVE TO THE ACCEPTANCE OF \$232,610 FROM THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC AFFAIRS INVEST NH DEMOLITION GRANT PROGRAM AND APPROVAL FOR THE CITY TO GRANT SAID FUNDS TO AREA AGENCY OF GREATER NASHUA D.B.A. GATEWAYS COMMUNITY SERVICES FOR DEMOLITION OF 4 BEARD STREET Given its first reading:

MOTION BY ALDERMAN LOPEZ TO SUSPEND THE RULES FOR A SECOND READING OF RESOLUTION R-24-098

### ON THE QUESTION

### Alderman Lopez

I'd like to speak briefly to it.