

**STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**

DW 24-069

**MILL BROOK VILLAGE WATER SYSTEM, LLC, MARC LIECHTI,
AND JUSTIN AHMANN**

**Joint Petition for Approval to Change Ownership of
Mill Brook Village Water System, LLC**

Procedural Order Re: Preliminary Issues

The petition filed in this docket on May 1, 2024 was signed by counsel for Mill Brook Village Water System, LLC (Mill Brook), as well as Marc Liechti and Justin Ahmann (the Buyers), individually. Included with the petition were the Buyers' joint testimony and related attachments. On June 4, 2024, the Commission issued an order of notice scheduling a prehearing on July 31, 2024, at 9:00 a.m., and requiring Mill Brook to

notify all entities and individuals desiring to be heard at this hearing by mailing a copy of the approved notice by first-class **and certified United States mail** to the Town of Thornton Board of Selectmen, the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services, and all current Mill Brook customers, postmarked no later than June 17, 2024, such notice to be documented by affidavit filed with the Commission on or before July 1, 2024.

(Emphasis added).


Mill Brook did not file its affidavit by July 1, 2024. During the July 31 prehearing conference, Mill Brook made a motion for the Commission to accept its late affidavit, to which there was no objection. Mill Brook's motion is GRANTED.

Mill Brook filed its affidavit during the morning of July 31, 2024. The affidavit stated that notice was mailed to the designated parties "by first class mail," but did not state whether notice was provided by certified mail, as required by the June 4 order of notice. Mill Brook shall file a revised affidavit of publication, which includes a jurat, on or

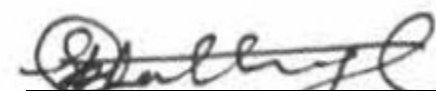
before August 19, 2024, stating whether notice was provided by certified mail in addition to first-class mail.

Neither Mr. Liechti nor Mr. Ahmann appeared at the July 31 prehearing conference. On August 1, 2024, counsel for Mill Brook filed a report and proposed procedural schedule, representing that it was assented to by the parties. It is unclear whether counsel for Mill Brook also represents the Buyers in this docket. If that is the case, then counsel for Mill Brook is requested to file an appearance on the Buyers' behalf on or before August 19, 2024. If it is not the case, then Mr. Liechti and Mr. Ahmann shall each file an appearance or other notice that they are representing themselves in this docket *pro se*, and shall further indicate whether they assent to the prehearing report and proposed procedural schedule by August 19, 2024.

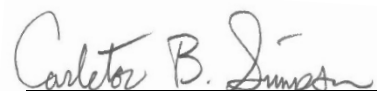
So ordered, this sixth day of August, 2024.



Daniel C. Goldner
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