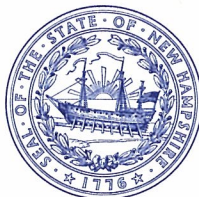


THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

CHAIRMAN
Thomas B. Getz

COMMISSIONERS
Graham J. Morrison
Clifton C. Below

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
AND SECRETARY
Debra A. Howland



PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

21 S. Fruit Street, Suite 10
Concord, N.H. 03301-2429

Tel. (603) 271-2431

FAX (603) 271-3878

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

Website:
www.puc.nh.gov

July 2, 2008

Debra A. Howland, Executive Director and Secretary
N.H. Public Utilities Commission
21 South Fruit Street, Suite 10
Concord, NH 03301



Re: Docket No. DW 08-070 Lakes Region Water Company, Inc.
Staff Report and Proposed Procedural Schedule

Dear Ms. Howland:

Staff, the company, Office of the Consumer Advocate (OCA), and Property Owners Association at Suissevale, Inc. (POASI) met in a technical session following the prehearing in this matter. We developed the following proposed procedural schedule for the Commission's consideration.

Rolling Data Requests Commence to Company	7/1/08
Last Day to Submit Data Requests to Company	7/25/08
(Company will respond to discovery 10 days from receipt during rolling period)	
All Responses from Company are due	8/5/08
Technical/Settlement Meeting	8/7/08 at 9 am
Staff, OCA, POASI Testimony	8/28/08
Telephone Conference Call	9/9/08 at 9 am

<u>Track One</u>		<u>Track Two</u>	
File Settlement Agreement	9/12/08	Discovery on Testimony	9/19/08
Hearing on Merits, 10 am	9/30/08	Data Responses Due	9/29/08
		Rebuttal Testimony	10/10/08
		Hearing on Merits, 10 am	10/29/08

Staff and the parties reserve their right to request a change in this schedule. Staff and the parties agree to exchange discovery and filings by email. Filings made directly to the Commission will follow the usual seven hardcopies plus an electronic copy, pursuant to Puc 203.02. The official service list is kept by the Commission on its website at <http://www.puc.nh.gov/PublicReports/ViewServList.aspx>.

Staff and the parties also discussed OCA's concern that the relief the company seeks in this docket would be more appropriate through a full rate case, as articulated during the

DW 08-070 Lakes Region Water Company, Inc.
Proposed Procedural Schedule
Page 2 of 2

prehearing conference. The OCA agreed, without waiving its objections to the company's filing, to participate in discovery including questions related to the company's 2007 Annual Report, in an attempt to determine whether the company's financial challenges may be appropriately addressed in this docket rather than in a full rate case at this time.

Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Marcia A. B. Thunberg".

Marcia A. B. Thunberg
Staff Attorney

cc: Service List

STEPHEN R ECKBERG
OFFICE OF CONSUMER ADVOCATE
21 SOUTH FRUIT ST STE 18
CONCORD NH 03301

KEN E TRAUM
OFFICE OF CONSUMER ADVOCATE
21 SOUTH FRUIT ST STE 18
CONCORD NH 03301-2429

MEREDITH A HATFIELD
OFFICE OF CONSUMER ADVOCATE
21 SOUTH FRUIT ST STE 18
CONCORD NH 03301

BARBARA MASON
LAKES REGION WATER COMPANY IN
PO BOX 389
MOULTONBORO NH 03254

TOM MASON
LAKES REGION WATER COMPANY IN
PO BOX 389
MOULTONBORO NH 03254

DANIEL MULLEN
RANSMEIER & SPELLMAN PC
ONE CAPITOL ST
PO BOX 600
CONCORD NH 03302-0600

DOUGLAS L PATCH
ORR & RENO PA
1 EAGLE SQ
PO BOX 3550
CONCORD NH 03302-3550

STEPHEN P ST CYR
STEPHEN P ST CYR & ASSOC
17 SKY OAKS DR
BIDDEFORD ME 04005

WOLFEBORO TOWN CLERK
88 SOUTH MAIN ST
WOLFEBORO NH 03894

Docket #: 08-070 Printed: July 02, 2008

FILING INSTRUCTIONS: PURSUANT TO N.H. ADMIN RULE PUC 203.02(a),
WITH THE EXCEPTION OF DISCOVERY, FILE 7 COPIES (INCLUDING COVER LETTER) TO:

DEBRA A HOWLAND
EXEC DIRECTOR & SECRETARY
NHPUC
21 SOUTH FRUIT STREET, SUITE 10
CONCORD NH 03301-2429

PURSUANT TO N.H. ADMIN RULE 203.09 (d), FILE DISCOVERY

DIRECTLY WITH THE FOLLOWING STAFF

RATHER THAN WITH THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

LIBRARIAN
NHPUC
21 SOUTH FRUIT ST, SUITE 10
CONCORD NH 03301-2429

BULK MATERIALS:

Upon request, Staff may waive receipt of some of its multiple copies of bulk materials filed as data responses. Staff cannot waive other parties' right to receive bulk materials.

DOUG BROGAN
NHPUC
21 SOUTH FRUIT ST, SUITE 10
CONCORD NH 03301-2429

JAYSON LAFLAMME
NHPUC
21 SOUTH FRUIT ST, SUITE 10
CONCORD NH 03301-2429

MARK NAYLOR
NHPUC
21 SOUTH FRUIT ST, SUITE 10
CONCORD NH 03301-2429

MARCIA THUNBERG
NHPUC
21 SOUTH FRUIT ST, SUITE 10
CONCORD NH 03301-2429

AMANDA NOONAN
CONSUMER AFFAIRS DIRECTOR
NHPUC
21 SOUTH FRUIT ST, SUITE 10
CONCORD NH 03301-2429