THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

DW 10-306

LAKELAND MANAGEMENT COMPANY, INC.

PETITION TO INTERVENE

NOW COMES Laconia Housing Authority by its Attorney, Alvin E. Nix, Jr., Esq. and Petitions to Intervene in the above entitled matter and states in support of same the following:

- 1. The Laconia Housing Authority owns & manages thirty-two (32) low income housing units and a Common/Laundry/Mail Building at Orchard Hill, II, in Belmont, New Hampshire;
- 2. Water and sewer for the thirty-three (33) units is provided by Lakeland Management Co., Inc., and the cost of same is billed directly to the Laconia Housing Authority;
- 3. Tenants of twenty seven (27) units pay a portion of their rent with the remainder being subsidized by the USDA/Rural Development Rental Assistance (RA). Five (5) units have no RA and those Tenants are responsible for the full Rent cost;
- 4. Any increase in the services provided by Lakeland Management Company, Inc., cannot be collected through an increase the rent paid by the tenants mentioned herein;
- 5. Funding for any increases in sewer and water would have to be paid by obtaining permission from USDA/RD to increase the Rents. The USDA/RD would, if available, use TAXPAYER FUNDS to increase the RA on the twenty seven (27) subsidized units. The increases for the five (5) un-subsidized units could only be funded if USDA/RD authorized the eviction of these five (5) tenants and its approval of renting these five (5) units to individuals of higher income, which is contrary to the mission of both the Laconia Housing Authority and the USDA/RD of providing housing to low income individuals;

Based on the above, the Laconia Housing Authority, has a direct and apparent 6. interest in intervening in this matter as, due to its statutory mandates, under State and Federal law, it will incur the increases proposed by Lakeland Management Company, Inc. and, its ability to collect any increases in services from its tenants is severely limited, if not, prohibited and therefore requests it be allowed to intervene in this matter.

WHEREFORE, Laconia Housing Authority, by its Attorney, Alvin E. Nix, Jr., respectfully prays this Commission:

- Grant this Petition to Intervene; A.
- Grant it such other and further relief as justice may require. B.

Dated: March 30, 2011

Respectfully Submitted,

Laconia Housing Authority, Its duly Authorized Executive Director

Respectfully Submitted,

Laconia Housing Authority

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CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that on this the 30th day of March, 2011 I sent, by first class mail, copies of the within Petition to Intervene to David W. Jordan, Esq. and the Office of Consumer Advocate.

Dated: March 30, 2011

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