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Debra A. Howland Executive Director/Secretary NH Public Utilities Commission 21 S. Fruit Street; Suite 10 Concord, NH 03301-2429

Re: DW 15-209 – Request for hearing

Rate Case Expense and Temp/Perm Rate Reconciliation Surcharges

Dear Executive Director Howland:

On March 3, 2017, Lakes Region Water Company, Inc. submitted a response to Staff's recommendation letter dated February 27, 2017 regarding rate case expense and temp/perm rate reconciliation surcharges.

Because the recommendations appear to be contested under RSA 541-A:31, III, Lakes Region Water Company requests a hearing in order to demonstrate that its proposed recovery of rate case expenses is "just and reasonable and in the public interest" and meets the requirements of Rule Puc 1904.01 & 1904.02. Because the recommendations have been provided in writing, the Company does not believe a formal evidentiary hearing is necessary. Rather, the Company requests the opportunity to explain why its proposal meets the requirements for recovery and answer any questions from the Commission concerning its request.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

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