# STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

Docket No. DW 16-806

Pennichuck Water Works, Inc. Request for Change in Rates

# BINDER OF 2016 RATE CASE FILINGS AND RELATED DOCUMENTS

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**Cover Letter** 

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September 23, 2016

#### **VIA HAND DELIVERY**

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

Re: DW 16-806 Pennichuck Water Works, Inc. Request for Change in Rates

Dear Ms. Howland:

Enclosed for filing in this Docket on behalf of our client Pennichuck Water Works, Inc. ("PWW") are: one set of original full rate case documents (unbound) required by N.H. Admin. Rule PART Puc 1604 as modified by Commission Order No. 25,292 (November 23, 2011) in Docket No. DW 11-026 (the "Rate Case Documents"); and six copies of the Rate Case Documents (contained in binders).

This set of Rate Case Documents includes for filing in this Docket the following petitions and motions:

- (1) an original and six copies of PWW's Petition for Temporary Rates, along with supporting written joint direct testimony in support of the Petition (located at Tab 12 of the Rate Case Documents);
- an original and six copies of PWW's Petition for Specific Modifications to Ratemaking Structure (located at Tab 11 of the Rate Case Documents), which petition is supported by the written direct testimony submitted at Tabs 8, 9 and 10 of the Rate Case Documents;
- (4) in accordance with N.H. Admin. Rule Puc 201.05, an original and six copies of PWW's Motion for Waiver of Certain Provisions of Puc 1604.01(a) (located at Tab 4 of the Rate Case Documents); and
- (5) in accordance with N.H. Admin. Rule Puc 203.08, an original and six copies of PWW's Motion for Protective Order and Confidential Treatment

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of Employee Payroll Information (located at Tab 5 of the Rate Case Documents).

Finally, enclosed for separate filing in this Docket, as described in the Motion for Protective Order and Confidential Treatment, are seven confidential copies of the impacted documents showing the confidential information in grey shading. As noted in the Motion, PWW requests that the Commission hold these copies as confidential documents to protect the indicated information.

As set forth in the Rate Case Documents, PWW seeks an overall increase in its annual gross operating revenues of \$\$4,907,917, or 17.21% over its revenues for the test period ending December 31, 2015 (determined excluding revenues from previous step increases). PWW is requesting that this rate increase be approved effective as of September 23, 2016. Finally, PWW requests that temporary rates be approved to achieve an estimated increase in its annual gross operating revenues of \$1,771,116, or 6.21% over its 2015 test period revenues (again determined excluding revenues from previous step increases), effective as of September 23, 2016

Thank you for your assistance with this filing. Please let me know if you have any questions about this matter.

Sincerely,

William F. J. Ardinger

Enclosures

cc:

Carol Ann Howe

Office of the Consumer Advocate

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