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Re: DW 18-090 Pennichuck East Utility, Inc.

Petition for Approval of Small Diameter Private Fire Protection

Non-Metered Service

To the Parties:

On May 29, 2018, Pennichuck East Utility, Inc. (PEU) filed a petition requesting changes to its fire protection tariff. The Commission approved these changes by order *nisi* dated January 24, 2019 (Order No. 26,213), effective February 24, 2019. One of the changes to PEU's fire protection tariff that the Commission approved was the establishment of a grandfathered monthly meter charge for existing customers with "Option 1" services installed and in service prior to December 31, 2018. Option 1 installations provide private residential fire protection service through a 1-inch meter.

PEU filed a request on March 5, 2019 to modify Page 38 of its tariff in order to extend the December 31, 2018, deadline for the grandfathered charge to February 23, 2019. It did so in order to add three customers who installed Option 1-type services between December 31, 2018 and February 24, 2019. The Commission did not issue an order suspending PEU's proposed tariff revision.

On March 14, 2019, Commission Staff (Staff) filed a recommendation that PEU's proposed revision to Page 38 of its tariff should be approved. Staff recommended that PEU's proposed tariff revision be allowed to take effect by operation of law, thirty days after the date of PEU's March 5, 2019 filing.

The Commission has accepted Staff's recommendation. Accordingly, pursuant to RSA 378:3 and N.H. Code Admin. Rules Puc 1603.07(a), PEU's proposed revision to Page 38 of its tariff is approved, effective April 5, 2019.

Sincerely,

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