

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE  
BEFORE THE  
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

Docket No. DW 19 – 177

*Lakes Region Water Co., Inc.*

ASSENTED-TO REQUEST FOR OFFICIAL NOTICE

Lakes Region Water Co., Inc., requests that the Commission take official notice of Staff’s August 14, 2020 Staff Recommendation in Docket DW 19 – 135 pursuant to RSA 541-A:33 as follows:

1. This proceeding requires the Commission to determine, *inter alia*, whether the Dockham Shores pump station placed in service in 2018 is “prudent, used, and useful pursuant to RSA 378:28.

2. In Docket DW 19 – 135, Lakes Region sought financing approval for the pump station (“Financing Docket”). Staff retained an independent engineer, Douglas Brogan, P.E. who comprehensively reviewed, *inter alia*, the need for the pump station, its cost and alternatives. On July 14, 2020, Mr. Brogan prepared a report of his recommendations which is attached to the Settlement Agreement (Exhibit 1).

3. On August 14, 2020, Staff submitted its recommendation in the Financing Docket prepared by Utility Analyst David Goyette (“Staff Recommendation”). Staff Recommendation’s included Lakes Region’s responses to 70 Staff data requests as well as a summary of Staff’s discussions with the Laconia Water Works and the Department of Environmental Services concerning the need for the Dockham Shores pump station, its cost and alternatives. The entire Staff Recommendation is 176 pages in length.

4. Lakes Region and Staff concluded that it was not necessary to include the entire Staff Recommendation as an exhibit due to its length. However, Lakes Region and Staff agreed to request that the Commission take official notice of the August 14, 2020 Staff Recommendation in DW 19 – 135 pursuant to RSA 541-A:33 in the event that the Commission has any questions which may be answered by the Staff Recommendation.
5. Staff assents to this request.

Respectfully submitted,

**LAKES REGION WATER  
COMPANY, INC.**

By its Counsel,

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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that a complete copy of the foregoing is being sent this day to all persons on the Commission's official service list for this proceeding.



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