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Ms. Luly Massaro, Clerk
Public Utilities Commission
89 Jefferson Boulevard
Warwick, RI 02888

Re: *Narragansett Bay Commission Docket 4305*

Dear Ms. Massaro:

Enclosed please find an original and nine (9) copies of the Direct Testimony from Karen L. Giebink, Director of Administration and Finance for the Narragansett Bay Commission ("NBC"). Please note that an electronic copy of this testimony was provided to the service list.

You will recall that at a Prehearing Scheduling Conference on January 10, 2012, the Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission set a hearing date of February 13, 2012 in the above-captioned docket. Due to conflicting schedules, this is the only date the Commission can hold the hearing before the anticipated closing of the loan referenced in the NBC's compliance filing. Unfortunately, Walter Edge, who provided Direct Testimony on behalf of the NBC in this docket, is not able to testify on that date. As such, Ms. Giebink adopted Mr. Edge's testimony in her Direct Testimony and will be available for cross-examination at the February 13, 2012 hearing.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,



Joseph A. Keough, Jr.

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Enclosure

cc: Service list via e-mail

Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission

Docket 4305

DIRECT TESTIMONY OF

KAREN L. GIEBINK

Director of Administration and Finance

Narragansett Bay Commission

for

THE NARRAGANSETT BAY COMMISSION

JANUARY 31, 2012

TESTIMONY
OF KAREN L. GIEBINK

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Q. Would you please give your name, business title and business address for the record?

A. My name is Karen L. Giebink. I am the Director of Administration and Finance for the Narragansett Bay Commission (“NBC”), and my business address is One Service Road, Providence, Rhode Island.

Q. What are your duties as Director of Administration and Finance?

A. As the Director of Administration and Finance, I am responsible for managing the Finance, Accounting, Purchasing, Customer Service, Information Technology, Human Resource and General Administration functions at the NBC. I am also directly involved with the development and administration of the operating and capital budgets, PUC related issues, as well as the management of long-term debt, cash and benefits.

Q. What is the purpose of your testimony?

A. NBC submitted a compliance filing to support increased debt service and debt service coverage in accordance with the Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission’s Order in Docket 3905 (Order #19380). NBC submitted testimony and schedules from Walter E. Edge, Jr. of B&E Consulting, LLC in support of the requested rate increase. Mr. Edge’s testimony and schedules specifically address the requirements listed in Docket 3905.

At a pre-hearing scheduling conference on January 10, 2012, the Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission (“Commission”) set a hearing date of February 13, 2012. Due to conflicting schedules this is the *only* date the Commission can hold the hearing before the anticipated closing of the loan referenced in NBC’s compliance filing. Unfortunately, Mr. Edge is not available to testify on that date. As such, with the Commission’s assent, I will adopt Mr. Edge’s testimony and be available for cross examination at the February 13, 2012 hearing.

1 **Q. Did you review Mr. Edge's testimony and schedules?**

2 A. Yes I did.

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4 **Q. Do you adopt Mr. Edge's testimony and schedules as though they were your own**
5 **and filed by you in this Docket?**

6 A. Yes I do.

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8 **Q. Will you be available at the February 13, 2012 hearing for cross-examination by the**
9 **Division of Public Utilities and Carriers and inquiry by the Commission and its staff**
10 **regarding any issue in Mr. Edge's testimony and schedules?**

11 A. Yes I will.

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13 **Q. Does that conclude your pre-filed testimony?**

14 A. Yes it does.

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