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October 2, 2023

Ms. A. Shonta Dunston Chief Clerk North Carolina Utilities Commission 430 N. Salisbury Street Raleigh, NC 27603

RE: In the Matter of Application of Old North State Water Company, Inc. for Authority to Adjust and Increase Rates for Water Utility Service in All Its Service Areas in NC

<u>Docket No. W-1300, Sub 60</u>

Confidential Outside Accounting Review by Independent CPA Firm and Business Advisors

Dear Ms. Dunston:

In compliance with the Commission's May 19, 2023, and subsequent June 12, 2023, Orders, specifically ordering paragraph 2 of the Orders, the confidential outside accounting review and report by independent auditors and business advisors, Haynes Downard, LLP, Certified Public Accountants, was filed in the above referenced docket on August 4, 2023, on behalf of Old North State Water Company, Inc. ("ONSWC").

In addition thereto, confidential documentation was also filed in the docket on August 4, 2023 as follows:

- 1) ONSWC's confidential Financial Statements as of December 31, 2022, and examination report on affiliated party transactions;
- 2) August 2, 2023, confidential letter from Haynes Downard, LLP;

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3) August 4, 2023, confidential Supplemental Memo from ONSWC in regard to the accounting review.

Thank you in advance for your assistance with this filing. If you should have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,

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