



The State of New Hampshire  
**DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES**



Clark B. Freise, Assistant Commissioner

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*transmitted via email to [DNiemeyer@geospherenh.com](mailto:DNiemeyer@geospherenh.com)*

**RE: Review for Administrative Completeness  
Preliminary Large Well Siting/Large Groundwater Withdrawal Permit Application  
Aquarion Water/NH, PWS ID 1051010  
Well 22  
Hampton, New Hampshire**

Dear Mr. Niemeyer:

The New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (DES) has reviewed the preliminary community well siting and large groundwater withdrawal permit application (Preliminary Application) titled "Preliminary Report and Large Groundwater Withdrawal Permit Application, Aquarion Water Company of New Hampshire, Well 22, Little River Road, Hampton, NH prepared by Geosphere Environmental Management, Inc. (Geosphere) on behalf of Aquarion Water Company of New Hampshire (Aquarion), dated March 25, 2017 (received April 27, 2017) for Administrative Completeness, in accordance with Env-Wq 403.12(a). A Preliminary Application is considered Administratively Complete when all of the materials required by Env-Wq 403.05 have been submitted to DES.

The purpose of this letter is to notify Geosphere that DES finds that the above-referenced Preliminary Application submitted is Administratively Complete. Note that per Env-Wq 403.12(d), DES' determination that the Preliminary Application is Administratively Complete is **not** a determination that the Preliminary Application is approvable as submitted.

At this time, per RSA 485-C:21, II, please send a complete copy of the Preliminary Application with a copy of the "Large Groundwater Withdrawal Permit Application Notification Form" via certified mail to the governing body of each municipality and public water supplier in the potential impact area of the proposed withdrawal. **Copies are to be sent to the Town of Hampton (Board of Selectmen) and Town of North Hampton (Select Board); no community public water systems other than Aquarion are located within the potential impact area.** Please provide copies of the return mail receipts to DES as soon as they are available.

Per RSA 485-C:21, III, **the deadline for a municipality or public water supplier to request a public hearing for this project is fifteen (15) days from the date they receive their copy of the Preliminary Application.** If a public hearing is requested, DES will inform Geosphere and Aquarion and coordinate with the entity that requested the hearing to arrange the date, time, and location of the hearing to be held within 30 days after the request. Following the hearing, there will be a 45-day period during which written comments on the Preliminary Application may be submitted to DES. If a public hearing is not requested, the 45-day written comment period will commence on the date of receipt of the application.

If you have any questions about this letter or any other groundwater permitting issues, please contact me at (603) 271-8866 or [christine.bowman@des.nh.gov](mailto:christine.bowman@des.nh.gov).

Sincerely,

Christine Bowman, P.G.  
Drinking Water and Groundwater Bureau

cc: Carl McMorran, Aquarion Water Company of New Hampshire (email)  
Board of Selectmen, Town of Hampton  
Select Board, Town of North Hampton

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