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US Bankruptcy Court
District of New Hampshire
1000 Elm Street, Suite 1001
Manchester, NH 03101-1708

RE: Case No. 08-11816-JMD

Dear Honorable Members of the Court,

We are writing to object to the purchase of the heretofore bankrupt USA Springs, Inc. by Nottingham Springs, LLC. It has come to our attention that Nottingham Springs, LLC intends to purchase the land to extract water from the property for their profit. The town of Barrington adopted a Rights-Based Ordinance to protect the waterways of Barrington and any purchase of the USA Springs property to extract water to sell is a violation of that ordinance, as it is a violation of the Nottingham Water Rights and Local Self-Government Ordinance.

Moreover, given the current pressures on our water supply by other development in our town, by climate change and most notably this summer's drought, we ask the Court to consider the health and well-being of Barrington and Nottingham citizens in allowing a sale of property where the sole intent is to profit from the extraction of water resources. This property is at the headwaters of the Oyster River and provides important water resources for a large segment of the populations of Nottingham, Barrington, Lee and Durham. The natural habitats on this property contribute to a healthy biodiversity in our communities and support recreational and educational programs in our towns.

Thank you for your consideration of citizen rights and water resource protection as you deliberate this decision.

Sincerely,



Dan Butcher and Rebecca Butcher

cc: Commissioner of DES, Thomas Bivacle
Director of Water Division, Eugene Forbes, PE