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Via Hand Delivery

Carole J. Washburn
Secretary
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission
1300 SW Evergreen Park Drive, S.W.
Olympia WA 98504-7250

Re: Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission v. Avista Corporation
Docket No. UE-991606

Dear Ms. Washburn:

Enclosed please find an original and nineteen copies of the PETITION OF INDUSTRIAL CUSTOMERS OF NORTHWEST UTILITIES FOR LEAVE TO INTERVENE in the above-captioned matter.

Please return one file-stamped copy of the Petition to Intervene in the postage-prepaid envelope provided. Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely yours,

Melinda J. Davison
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Enclosures

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BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION
COMMISSION

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| Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission, |) | |
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| Complainant, |) | DOCKET NO. UE-991606 |
| |) | |
| vs. |) | PETITION OF INDUSTRIAL |
| |) | CUSTOMERS OF NORTHWEST |
| Avista Corporation, |) | UTILITIES FOR LEAVE TO |
| |) | INTERVENE |
| Respondent |) | |
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Pursuant to WAC 480-09-430, the Industrial Customers of Northwest Utilities (“ICNU”) petitions the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (“WUTC”) to intervene in this proceeding with full party status. In support of its petition, ICNU represents as follows:

1. The business address of ICNU is:

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Industrial Customers of Northwest Utilities
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Portland, OR 97232

2. ICNU will be represented in this proceeding by Duncan, Weinberg, Genzer & Pembroke, P.C. All documents relating to these proceedings should be served on ICNU’s attorneys and consultants at the following addresses:

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3. ICNU is an incorporated, non-profit association of large industrial electric customers in the Pacific Northwest, with offices in Portland, Oregon. A list of ICNU members is included as Attachment A. Several members of ICNU are customers of Avista Corporation (“Avista”).

4. ICNU’s member companies have a substantial interest in Avista’s rate case, which could effect the rates and quality of service that Avista provides to ICNU’s members.

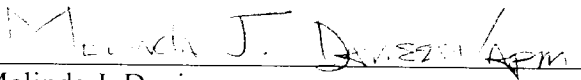
5. As described above, ICNU has a direct and substantial interest in this proceeding that will not be adequately represented by any other party, and may be affected by any Commission determination made in connection with these proceedings. It is in the public interest to allow ICNU to intervene in this proceeding. ICNU, therefore, requests that the Commission grant its Petition to Intervene and make ICNU a party to this proceeding

6. ICNU believes its participation in this proceeding will assist the Commission in its consideration of the customer impacts of the rate case. Furthermore, ICNU’s intervention in this proceeding will not unreasonably broaden the issues, burden the record, or delay this proceeding.

WHEREFORE, ICNU respectfully requests that the Commission grant its petition to intervene with full party status in this proceeding.

DATED this 16th day of December, 1999.

DUNCAN, WEINBERG, GENZER & PEMBROKE, P.C.



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ATTACHMENT A
INDUSTRIAL CUSTOMERS OF NORTHWEST UTILITIES

* Agilent Technologies
Air Liquide
Air Products
Atlantic Richfield
BFGoodrich Kalama, Inc.
Bellingham Cold Storage
Birmingham Steel
* The Boeing Company
* Boise Cascade
Coastal St. Helens Chemical
Daishowa America
Davidson Industries, Inc.
Eagle-Picher Minerals, Inc.
Equilon Enterprises LLC
Evanite Fiber
Fort James Corp.
Georgia-Pacific
Hewlett-Packard
* Inland Empire Paper Co.
Intel
International Paper
J.R. Simplot
James Hardie Gypsum, Inc.
Kimberly-Clark Corporation
Lamb Weston
Longview Fibre
Nabisco, Inc.
NorPac Foods
Oregon Steel
Oremet-Wah Chang
PCC Structurals, Inc.
Pioneer Chlore Alkali Co.
Ponderay Newsprint Co.
Pope and Talbot, Inc.
Potlatch Corporation
Simpson Paper
Simpson Timber
Smurfit Newsprint
Sonoco Products Company
Tesoro Northwest Company
Weyerhaeuser
Willamette Industries

*Denotes Avista customer.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I served a copy of the foregoing PETITION OF INDUSTRIAL CUSTOMERS OF NORTHWEST UTILITIES FOR LEAVE TO INTERVENE upon the parties on the official service list in this proceeding by depositing same in the United States Mail at Portland, Oregon, postage prepaid.

DATED this 16th day of December, 1999.


Melinda J. Davison