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RE: *Avista Corporation 2012 General Rate Case*
Dockets UE-120436 and UG-120437 (consolidated)
Avista Corporation 2011 General Rate Case (Decoupling)
Dockets UE-110876 and UG-110877 (consolidated)

Dear Mr. Danner:

Enclosed for filing are the original and 20 copies of Commission Staff's Objection to Public Counsel Response to Bench Request No. 9 and Certificate of Service.

Sincerely,

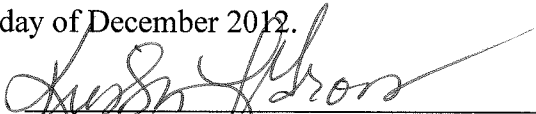
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cc: All parties

Dockets UE-120436/UG-120437 and UE-110876/UG-110877
(Consolidated)
CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this day served Commission Staff's Objection to Public Counsel Response to Bench Request No. 9 upon the persons and entities listed on the Service List below via e-mail and by depositing a copy of said document in the United States mail, addressed as shown on said Service List, with first class postage prepaid.

DATED at Olympia, Washington this 11th day of December 2012.



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All parties have signed Confidentiality Agreements

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