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**NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY TO FILE WRITTEN COMMENTS
(By 5:00 pm, Friday, October 30, 2009)**

RE: Avista Corporation, d/b/a Avista Utilities
2009 Electric Integrated Resource Plan, Docket UE-081613

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

The Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) has received Avista Corporation d/b/a Avista Utilities' (Avista) 2009 integrated resource plan for electric service. An "integrated resource plan" (IRP or plan) describes the mix of generation and supply resources and efficiency improvements that will meet both the current and future energy demands of the utility at the lowest cost to the utility and its ratepayers.

The Commission will review Avista's Plan at a future open meeting . At that meeting, Avista representatives will present the plan to the Commission and will respond to questions from the Commissioners and the public. The Commission will send separate notice of the date and time of the open meeting at which it will review Avista's IRP.

A copy of the plan is on file in the library at the Commission's offices in Olympia. Requests for copies of the plan, if needed, should be directed to Avista, not the Commission. Avista has posted the IRP at <http://www.avistautilities.com/inside/resources/irp/electric/Pages/default.aspx>. Questions regarding the plan and the meeting may be addressed to Commission staff member David Nightingale by e-mail at dnighting@utc.wa.gov or by calling (360) 664-1154.

The Commission will accept written comments on Avista's Plan in addition to oral comments made at the future meeting. Written comments should be submitted **no later than 5:00 p.m., October 30, 2009**, and, if possible, in electronic format. Electronic format should be on a CD or 3 ½ inch IBM formatted high-density disk, in .pdf Adobe Acrobat format. Please also send us the text in your choice of .doc (Word 97 or later) format labeled with the docket number assigned to the plan (UE-081613) and the commenter's name and type of software used. Comments may also be submitted via the Commission's Web portal at www.utc.wa.gov/e-filing or by e-mail to the Commission's Records Center at records@utc.wa.gov. If you choose this means of submitting comments, please include all of the information requested above for the diskette label. The Commission will make available all comments provided in electronic form on the Commission's web site at <http://www.utc.wa.gov/081613>. Documents will be posted within twenty-four hours of receipt.

Comments delivered by mail or courier should be addressed to: Executive Director and Secretary, Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission, P.O. Box 47250, 1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive S.W., Olympia, WA 98504-7250.

The integrated resource plan is a product of Avista filed under requirements in WAC 480-100-238. Information about the Commission and its processes can be found on the internet at <http://www.utc.wa.gov>, and further information may be obtained from the Commission Records Center at (360) 664-1234 or at the e-mail address records@utc.wa.gov. When inquiring about the subject of this Notice, please refer to Docket UE-081613 for Avista's 2009 Electric IRP.

Sincerely,

DAVID W. DANNER
Executive Director and Secretary