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NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY TO FILE WRITTEN COMMENTS

(By Friday, February 5, 2021)

and

NOTICE OF RECESSED OPEN MEETING

(To be held at 9:30 a.m., Tuesday, February 23, 2021)

Re: Avista 2021 Draft Integrated Resource Plans for Electricity and Natural Gas, Dockets UE-200301 (electricity) and UG-190724 (natural gas)

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

The Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) will accept comments on Avista Corporation d/b/a Avista Utilities' (Avista or Company) draft integrated resource plan for electricity and natural gas service. Per <u>WAC 480-100-605</u>, an "integrated resource plan" (IRP or Plan) means an analysis describing the mix of generating resources, conservation, methods, technologies, and resources to integrate renewable resources and, where applicable, address overgeneration events, and efficiency resources that will meet current and projected needs at the lowest reasonable cost to the utility and its ratepayers and that complies with the requirements specified in RCW 19.280.030(1).

Per <u>WAC 480-100-625(3)</u>, the Commission will review Avista's draft integrated resource plan for electricity and natural gas service at an open public meeting. Avista representatives will present the draft Plan to the Commission and respond to questions from the Commissioners and the public at a recessed open meeting of the Commission to be held on **Tuesday**, **February 23, 2021, at 9:30 a.m.**

Due to the ongoing COVID-19 public health crisis, the Commission will be holding the meeting virtually. Commission headquarters will not be open to the public for in-person participation. Interested persons may comment on the plan at the meeting or may listen to the meeting via Teams by calling 253-372-2181 and using conference ID 203 830 370. To participate via Teams, click here to join the meeting. If you wish to be placed on the interested parties contact list, please submit your request to the Commission's Records Center at records@utc.wa.gov.

The Commission is committed to providing reasonable accommodations to participants with disabilities. If you need a reasonable accommodation for the recessed open meeting, please contact the Commission at least one business day prior to the workshop by calling 1-360-664-1132 or by sending an email to human_resources@utc.wa.gov. For TTY service, please call the Washington Relay Service at 1-800-833-6384 or 711.

A copy of the draft IRP can be accessed via Avista's <u>electric IRP</u> and <u>natural gas IRP</u> electronic dockets, available online through the Commission's Record Center. Requests for copies of the draft Plan should be directed to Avista.

WRITTEN COMMENTS

Written comments on the draft Plan must be filed with the Commission no later than **5:00 p.m. on February 5, 2021.** The Commission requests that comments be provided in electronic format to enhance public access, for ease of providing comments, to reduce the need for paper copies, and to facilitate quotations from the comments. Comments may be submitted via the Commission's Web portal at www.utc.wa.gov/e-filing or by electronic mail to the Commission's Records Center at records@utc.wa.gov. Please include:

- The docket number of this proceeding (UE-200301 or UG-190724).
- The commenting party's name.
- The title and date of the comment or comments.

Comments should be in .pdf format (created using Adobe Acrobat or comparable software) or in Microsoft Word. The Commission will post on its website all comments it receives in electronic format. The website is located at www.utc.wa.gov. Documents are generally posted within 24 hours of receipt. *Please refer to Docket UE-200301 and UG-190724 to ensure that you are placed on the appropriate service list(s)*.

Questions for Avista may be directed to Company representative James Gall at (509) 495-2189 or John Lyons at (509) 495-8515 concerning the electric IRP or Tom Pardee at (509) 495-2159 concerning the natural gas IRP. Questions for Commission staff may be directed to Jennifer Snyder by email at jennifer.snyder@utc.wa.gov or by calling (360) 664-1311. When inquiring about the subject of this Notice, please refer to Docket UE-200301 and UG-190724.

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