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Amanda Maxwell Executive Director Washington Utilities & Transportation Commission 621 Woodland Square Loop SE Lacey, WA 98503 Received Records Management 08/19/22 15:24 State Of WASH. UTIL. AND TRANSP. COMMISSION

Re: Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission v. Avista Corporation d/b/a Avista Utilities
Docket Nos. UE-220053, UG-220054, UE-210854 (*Consolidated*)

Dear Ms. Maxwell:

This letter is to inform the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission ("WUTC") that the NW Energy Coalition ("NWEC") will not be filing rebuttal testimony to the response testimony filed by the Public Counsel Unit of the Washington Attorney General's Office ("Public Counsel") on July 29, 2022.

NWEC believes that the stipulation filed on June 28, 2022, represents a reasonable compromise that resolves the disputed issues in these dockets in an administratively efficient manner. NWEC further believes that the stipulation is a fair outcome that represents a compromise between diverse stakeholders. The stipulation is supported by various stakeholders that represent Avista's low-income residential ratepayers, commercial and industrial ratepayers, and other renewable and conservation interests. Pursuant to WAC 480-07-700, the Commission "supports parties' informal efforts to resolve disputes without the need for contested hearings when doing so is lawful and consistent with the public interest." As provided in the joint testimony in support of the stipulation filed on July 8, 2022 and this letter, NWEC believes the stipulation is lawful and consistent with the public interest. NWEC has reviewed Public Counsel's response testimony and the filing did not change NWEC's opinion that the stipulation represents a reasonable compromise, is lawful, and consistent with the public interest. Therefore, the Commission should approve the stipulation.

Thanks for your consideration.

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Sincerely,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that I have this day served the Letter regarding Rebuttal

Testimony on behalf of the NW Energy Coalition upon all parties of record in this proceeding,

by electronic transmission to the email address(es) of each party or party representative listed in

the Commission's master service list for this docket.

Dated at Portland, Oregon, this 19th day of August, 2022.

Sincerely,

<u>/s/ Irion Sanger</u> Irion A. Sanger

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