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Re: Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission v. Avista Corporation, d/b/a Avista Utilities, Dockets UE-120436 and UG-120437, and Dockets UE-110876 and UG-110877 (Second Phase) (Consolidated)

Dear Mr. Danner:

Enclosed for filing please find the original and two copies of Public Counsel's Revised Response to Bench Request/Bench Exhibit 9, together with a Certificate of Service, for filing in the above-referenced dockets.

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Sincerely,

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## BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

### AVISTA GRC 2012 Dockets UE-120436 & UG-120437 and AVISTA GRC 2011 Dockets UE-110876 & UG-110877

Public Counsel's REVISED Response to Bench Request / Bench Exhibit No. 9

## Bench Request / Bench Exhibit No. 9:

Commissioner Jones requested an academic or think tank study countering the criticism of the ISS peer group cited in Mr. Norwood's testimony, Exhibit KON-7T at 30:7-12, and referred to by Ms. Feltes during her testimony at the November 29, 2012, hearing.<sup>1</sup>

### **REVISED RESPONSE:**

Per the Commission's Order 08/Order 13,<sup>2</sup> the response is revised as follows:

.... However, Public Counsel was not able to find an academic study which focuses solely on the ISS peer group, as requested by the Bench Request.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Feltes, TR. 346:4-8; Commissioner Jones's request, TR. 347:13 – 348:4.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> "The Commission grants Staff's Motion to Strike. The Commission strikes from the record all of Public Counsel's Response to Bench Request No. 9 after the following sentence: 'However, Public Counsel was not able to find an academic study which focuses solely on the ISS peer group, as requested by the Bench Request.'" Order 08 / Order 13, Order Granting Motion to Strike Portions of Public Counsel's Response to Bench Request No. 9, Paragraph 7 (December 18, 2012).

# CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE Dockets UE-120436, et. al

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of Public Counsel Revised Response to Bench Request/Bench Exhibit No. 9 was sent to each of the parties of record shown below in sealed envelopes, via: U.S. Mail and E-Mail.

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