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NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT ON AVISTA CORPORATION'S REPORT IDENTIFYING ITS TEN-YEAR ACHIEVABLE CONSERVATION POTENTIAL AND ITS BIENNIAL CONSERVATION TARGET PURSUANT TO RCW 19.285.040 AND WAC 480-109-010 (Comments due by 5:00 p.m., Wednesday, December 7, 2011) and NOTICE OF OPEN MEETING (To be considered at the Thursday, December 15, 2011, Open Meeting)

RE: Avista Corporation, Report identifying its ten-year achievable conservation potential and its biennial conservation target, Docket UE-111882

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

On November 1, 2011, Avista Corporation (Avista) filed with the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) a report concerning its ten-year achievable conservation potential for the period 2012-2021 and its biennial conservation target (Biennial Conservation Plan) for the period 2012-2013.

The report is required by RCW 19.285.040, WAC 480-109-010, and Order 01 in Docket UE-100176. WAC 480-109-010(4) provides that Commission staff and all interested parties may comment on a utility's ten-year achievable conservation potential or its biennial conservation target within thirty days of the utility's filing. The Commission, however, will exercise its discretion under WAC 480-07-110(1) to provide interested persons with additional time to comment on Avista's filing due to the heightened public

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interest in the implementation of RCW 19.285 and because of the volume of material the Company submitted.

Written comments must be filed with the Commission no later than 5:00 p.m., Wednesday, December 7, 2011, 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 a .doc (Word 97 or later) format labeled with the docket number (UE-111882) 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's web site at www.utc.wa.gov. 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 Commission will consider Avista's report at its open meeting to be held on **Thursday, December 15, 2011**. Interested persons may present oral comments at that open meeting, which is scheduled to start at 9:30 a.m. The meeting will be held at the Commission's headquarters, Room 206, Richard Hemstad Building, 1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive S.W., Olympia, Washington.

The Commission will consider all comments and determine whether additional scrutiny is warranted. The Commission also may establish an adjudicative proceeding or other process to fully consider appropriate revisions. Upon conclusion of its review, the Commission will approve, approve with conditions, or reject Avista's ten-year achievable conservation potential and biennial conservation target.

The report is available on the Commission's Web site at <u>www.utc.wa.gov</u> under Docket UE-111882.

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Questions concerning Avista's report and Biennial Conservation Plan may be directed to Commission Staff, Rick Applegate, at 360-664-1310; e-mail: <u>rapplega@utc.wa.gov</u>. For general information about Avista's filing, you may contact Avista representative Linda Gervais at 509-495-4975. Questions to Avista regarding its Biennial Conservation Plan and conservation activities may also be directed to Bruce Folsom at 509-495-8706.

Sincerely,

DAVID W. DANNER Executive Director and Secretary