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Re: Docket No. UE-152076 - Avista Utilities 2016-2017 Biennial Conservation Report (BCR) and 2017 Annual Conservation Report (ACR)

Dear Mr. Johnson,

In compliance with RCW 19.285 and WAC 480-109-120 (3), Avista Corporation, respectfully submits its "2017 Annual Conservation Report (ACR)". Also, in compliance with RCW 19.285 and WAC 480-109-120 (4), Avista Corporation, respectfully submits it's "2016-2017 Biennial Conservation Report (BCR)" as an Appendix.

The Company provided a draft of its filing to its Demand-Side-Management (DSM) Advisory Group on Tuesday, May 1, 2018. The Company received input from the Commission Staff and have incorporated the input into its filing.

This filing summarizes the Company's energy efficiency achievements for its Washington electric and natural gas customers. These programs are intended to deliver a cost-effective, "least-cost" resource with the funding provided through Avista's Schedules 91 and 191, also known as the "Tariff Rider" which is a non-bypassable system benefit charge applied to all electric and natural gas retail sales.

Avista's target as filed in its 2016-17 BCP is 76,257 MWh. In 2016 and 2017,

Avista acquired 141,331 MWh (verified gross savings) in Washington, or 185% percent of its

BCP two-year end-use efficiency target. Much of the excess conservation savings is

attributed to the Company's non-residential programs, however, the residential program had

also exceeded its savings target as well.

Nexant, Inc., in partnership with Research Into Action, (the Nexant Team) was retained as

the Company's external evaluator to independently measure and verify the portfolio energy

savings for the 2016-2017 biennium period.

If you have any questions regarding this information, please contact Dan Johnson, Director

of Energy Efficiency at 509-495-2807 or myself at 509-495-4975.

Sincerely,

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cc : Advisory Group

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