***Via Electronic and United States Mail***

September 19, 2016

Steven V. King, Executive Director and Secretary

Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission

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RE: *Avista Corporation 2016 General Rate Case*

 Dockets UE-160228 and UG-160229

Dear Mr. King:

Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced dockets are the original and six copies of the Cross Answering Testimony of Jason Ball and Christopher Hancock, on behalf of Commission Staff, and Certificate of Service. Distribution has been made to all parties of record.

The enclosures are not to be construed as testimony or evidence until such time as they are received into the record at hearing. Accordingly, we reserve the right to make revisions or additions as may become necessary prior to the time that the witness presents his or her testimony.

Sincerely,

JENNIFER CAMERON-RULKOWSKI

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Enclosures

cc: Parties w/enc.