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SENT VIA ABC LMI AND E-MAIL

Steven V. King Executive Director and Secretary Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission 1300 S. Evergreen Park Dr. SW P. O. Box 47250 Olympia, Washington 98504-7250

Re: Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission v. Avista Corp. d/b/a Avista Utilities, Dockets UE-160228 and UG-160229

Dear Mr. King:

Under the Commission's procedural schedule, set in Order 03 in the above-referenced dockets, parties have the opportunity to file cross-answering testimony on September 19, 2016. Public Counsel files this letter to avoid confusion and to inform parties and the Commission that it is not filing cross-answering testimony. We look forward to the opportunity to participate in the evidentiary hearings in October and will submit a post-hearing brief addressing legal and policy issues raised in this case pursuant to the procedural schedule.

Sincerely,

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