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RE: *Odessa Incident Investigation*
UTC Docket UG-082253

Dear Mr. Cordell:

It is my understanding that you represent Mr. Reyes and Ms. McClure in regards to a gas explosion in Odessa, Washington, in late 2008. Gas plant owned by Avista Corp. (Avista) was apparently involved. I represent the Utilities and Transportation Commission (UTC), the state agency charged with regulating gas companies such as Avista.

The UTC staff has informed me that it is completing its investigation of the incident, and wishes to interview Mr. Reyes and Ms. McClure. The UTC investigator, Mr. Al Jones, would travel to Odessa for that purpose, or to another reasonably available location convenient to you and your clients. Mr. Jones is available February 1-10, 16-18 and 22-25, 2010. He estimates each interview would last about 45 minutes.

Please let me know if Mr. Reyes and Ms. McClure are available for an interview, and, if so, when and where it would be convenient to conduct that interview. If the February dates noted above are not convenient, we kindly request that you suggest alternative dates.

Your cooperation is appreciated.

Sincerely,

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