**AVISTA CORP.**

### RESPONSE TO REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

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# CASE NO.: UE-150204 & UG-150205 WITNESS: Patrick Ehrbar

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**REQUEST:**

In rebuttal testimony of Patrick Ehrbar on pages 9 and 10 Avista says the Company chooses a 7% increase to the total level of funding for LIRAP because this level was reasonable and similar to Staff’s proposal.

Beginnings in 2016 assume there is a 7% increase in LIRAP funding each year. For each year until 25,550 grants are provided please produce a chart with the same format and beginning data for 2016 as staff used in exhibit (No.\_ JMW-2 page 1).

**REVISED RESPONSE:**

Upon further review, the spreadsheet used to calculate the original ramp rate to 25,550 did not calculate correctly. The table immediately below does provide the corrected values, starting with the 2016 budget of $7,679,514 as provided in EP-10, and escalates that value by 7% as requested. After excluding “Non-Direct Services”, the analysis shows that 25,550 customers would be served between 2022 and 2023.



**ORIGINAL RESPONSE:**

Below is a chart showing the requested information. Please note that for my analysis, I excluded “Non-Direct Services” from the budget, as those dollars are not paid out in some form of a grant. Ms. Williams analysis which resulted in a ramp rate to 25,550 in 2024 assumed that that administration and program support dollars were paid out in grants. For my analysis below, I took the budget for 2016 as proposed on p. 9 of Exhibit No.\_\_\_(PDE-8T), and escalated that value by 7%. I then excluded 20.7% for “Non-Direct Services”. I then divided that amount (“Amount for Grants”) by the 10-year average grant amount of $363 from Ms. Williams analysis. The results show that 25,550 customers would be served between 2024 and 2025.

