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Marguerite Friedlander, Administrative Law Judge  
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission  
1300 S Evergreen Park Dr. SW  
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RE: *Avista Corporation 2015 General Rate Case*  
Dockets UE-150204/UG-150205

Dear Judge Friedlander.

As I believe you are aware, Staff witness, Ms. Juliana Williams, has resigned from the Commission and taken a job with another state agency. Upon Commission approval, Ms. Deborah Reynolds intends to adopt Ms. Williams' testimony and stand for cross-examination on its substance in the upcoming hearing. I do not believe that the substitution contemplated by Staff will impede the cross-examination of opposing counsel or otherwise interfere with the progress of this case. In fact, Ms. Williams prepared her testimony under the supervision and direction of Ms. Reynolds.

Thank you in advance for understanding Staff's need to provide a substitute witness in this circumstance.

Sincerely,

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Assistant Attorney General

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cc: Parties