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Jeff Killip, Executive Director and Secretary Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission 621 Woodland Square Loop SE P.O. Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98503-7250

Re: Washington Utilities and Transp. Comm'n v. Avista Corp. d/b/a Avista Utilities

Dockets UE-240006 & UG-240007 (Consolidated)

Subject to Check Testimony of Staff Witness Betty Erdahl

Dear Mr. Killip:

During the evidentiary hearing in the above referenced dockets on October 1, 2024, Commissioner Ann Rendahl asked Staff Witness Betty Erdahl questions related to Avista's provisional plant review. In particular, Commissioner Rendahl asked a question subject to check regarding the number of plant business cases that were presented by Avista during its provisional plant review from the last approved multiyear rate plan. Staff's recollection is that the question included approximately 122 total projects and more than 20 of those projects were new business cases.

Pursuant to WAC 480-07-470(10), Witness Erdahl reviewed the retrospective provisional plant review from Avista's 2022 general rate case, Dockets UE-220053 and UG-220054, to verify the numbers presented in the question at hearing. Because the numbers are different enough from the question posed, Witness Erdahl submits this correction to the subject to check data.

Retrospective review was conducted for 2022 and 2023. The table below provides the number of total and new business cases presented by Avista for each year. The table also provides information about the dollar value of the new business cases.

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Rate Year	Business Case Count	Dollar Value of	Reference
		New Business	
		Cases	
2022	117 total business	Total value of new	Exh. TCB-4, Attach.
	cases	business cases: \$1.5	A (From Docket
	3 new business cases	million, system.	UE-240004 and UG-
			240007)
		One business case	
		was less than	
		\$200,000, system.	
2023	123 total business	Total value of new	2023 WA Annual
	cases	business cases: \$7.6	Provisional Capital
	8 new business cases	million, system.	Report (From
			Docket UE-220053
		Three of the new	and UG-220054,
		business cases were	filed 3/29/2024)
		less than \$275,000	
		each (totaling	
		\$729,810).	

Sincerely,

s/ Lisa W. Gafken Lisa W. Gafken Assistant Attorney General Office of the Attorney General Utilities & Transportation Division

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cc: Parties