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Via Electronic and United States Mail

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Steven V. King, Executive Director and SecretaryWashington Utilities and Transportation Commission1300 S. Evergreen Park Dr. S.W.P.O. Box 47250Olympia, Washington 98504-7250

RE: WUTC v. Avista Corporation d/b/a Avista Utilities (General Rate Case) Dockets UE-170485/UG-170486

Dear Mr. King:

Enclosed for filing are the original and 10 copies of the Brief on Behalf of Commission Staff, and Certificate of Service.

Sincerely,

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