BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION

COMMISSION

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION,

Complainant, v.

AVISTA CORPORATION d/b/a AVISTA UTILITIES,

Respondent.

DOCKET NOS. UE-190334, UG-190335, UE-190222 (*Consolidated*)

EXH. WMG-2

AVISTA RESPONSE TO NWEC REQUEST NO. 15

ON BEHALF OF

NW ENERGY COALITION

October 3, 2019

AVISTA CORP. RESPONSE TO REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

JURISDICTION:WASHINGTONCASE NO:UE-190334 & UG-190335REQUESTER:NW Energy CoalitionTYPE:Data RequestREQUEST NO.:NWEC - 015

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REQUEST:

Does Avista still plan to arrange funding of \$3.0 Million towards a Colstrip community transition fund? If so, what is the source of funds Avista will use to pay for its funding of the Colstrip community transmission fund? If not, please explain why Avista no longer plans to arrange funding of \$3.0 Million towards a Colstrip community transition fund.

RESPONSE:

The \$3.0 million referenced was to have been made if the merger between Hydro One and Avista was consummated, as such funding would have been provided by Hydro One. Given the merger did not close, no further discussions related to this merger commitment have occurred.