Appendix A

Summary of Written Comments

**Rulemaking to Consider Amending WAC 480-75-250 and WAC 480-93-223, increasing the maximum civil penalty for violations involving gas and hazardous liquids pipeline operators, Comments through June 9, 2014**

**Dockets PL-140104 & PG-140105**

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| **ISSUE** | **INTERESTED PERSON** | **COMMENTS** |
| General Comments | Avista Corp. | **Avista:**  Avista does not take any issue with the proposed rulemaking to consider amending WAC 480-93-225. The Company appreciates the opportunity to provide comments. |
| General Comments | City of Liberty Lake | **City of Liberty Lake:** The City of Liberty Lake has several high pressure Gas Lines that traverse our community. These Gas Lines predate the incorporation of our City in 2001 and as such, our comprehensive planning documents fully recognize the location and critical needs of these facilities.As Mayor, I recognize the importance of these pipelines in the conveyance of the region’s gas utility supply source. For this reason, our comprehensive plan identifies the pipeline easement and our building and construction permit process reviews new construction to minimize potential risks and conflicts.In the past we were a rural and agricultural area. Now we are a City of 8100+ residents in addition to a daily workforce approaching 7500. For purposes of public safety, we feel strongly that Gas Companies adhere to the strictest standards. This includes understanding the condition of their facilities, complying with mandatory preventive maintenance assessments and enforcing safety inspections. We fully support adherence, at a minimum, to the federal injunctive and monetary sanctions levels found in the Code of Federal Regulations. We want to note that the pipeline (Trans Canada) in Liberty Lake is an interstate facility and currently operates on the Federal Standards.  |