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**NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT ON**

**AVISTA CORPORATION’S REPORT IDENTIFYING ITS**

**TEN-YEAR ACHIEVABLE CONSERVATION POTENTIAL AND ITS**

**BIENNIAL CONSERVATION TARGET**

**PURSUANT TO RCW 19.285.040 AND WAC 480-109-120**

**(Comments due by 5:00 p.m., Thursday, December 3, 2015)**

**NOTICE OF OPEN MEETING**

**(To be considered at the Thursday, December 17, 2015, Open Meeting)**

RE: Avista Corporation, Report identifying its ten-year achievable conservation potential and its biennial conservation target, Docket UE‑152076

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

On October 30, 2015, Avista Corporation (Avista) filed with the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) a report concerning its ten-year achievable electric conservation potential for the period 2016-2025 and its electric biennial conservation target (Biennial Conservation Plan) for the period 2016-2017. Although Avista is not required to file its natural gas conservation plan at the same time as the electric Biennial Conservation Plan, Avista has chosen to do so, under Docket UG-152077.

The report is required by RCW 19.285.040, WAC 480‑109‑120, and Order 01 in Docket UE‑100176. WAC 480-109-120(5) provides that Commission staff and all interested persons may comment on a utility’s ten-year achievable conservation potential or its biennial conservation target within thirty days of the utility’s filing. The Commission, however, will exercise its discretion under WAC 480-07-110(1) to provide interested persons with additional time to comment on Avista’s filing due to the heightened public interest in the implementation of RCW 19.285 and because of the volume of material the Company submitted.

Written comments must be filed with the Commission no later than 5:00 p.m., **Thursday, December 3, 2015**, and if possible, in electronic format. Electronic format should be on a CD, DVD or flash drive, in .pdf Adobe Acrobat format. Please also send us the text in your choice of a .doc (Word 97 or later) format labeled with the docket number (UE-152076), the commenter’s name and title and date of the comment or comments. Comments may also be submitted via the Commission’s Web portal at [www.utc.wa.gov/e-filing](http://www.utc.wa.gov/e-filing) or by e-mail to the Commission’s Records Center at records@utc.wa.gov. If you choose this means of submitting comments, please include all of the information requested above. The Commission will make available all comments provided in electronic form on the Commission’s web site at [www.utc.wa.gov](http://www.utc.wa.gov). Documents will be posted within twenty-four hours of receipt.

Comments delivered by mail or courier should be addressed to: Steven V. King, Executive Director and Secretary, Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission, P.O. Box 47250, 1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive S.W., Olympia, WA 98504-7250.

The Commission will consider Avista’s report at its recessed open meeting to be held on **Thursday, December 17, 2015.** Interested persons may present oral comments at that open meeting, which is scheduled to start at 9:00 a.m. The meeting will be held at the Commission’s headquarters, Room 206, Richard Hemstad Building, 1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive S.W., Olympia, Washington.

The Commission will consider all comments and determine whether additional scrutiny is warranted. The Commission also may establish an adjudicative proceeding or other process to fully consider appropriate revisions. Upon conclusion of its review, the Commission will approve, approve with conditions, or reject Avista’s ten-year achievable conservation potential and biennial conservation target.

The reports are available on the Commission’s Web site at www.utc.wa.gov under Dockets UE-152076 and UG-152077.

Questions concerning Avista’s report and Biennial Conservation Plan may be directed to Commission Staff, Chris McGuire, at 360-664-1310; e-mail: cmcguire@utc.wa.gov. For general information about Avista’s filing, you may contact Avista representative Linda Gervais at 509-495-4975. Questions to Avista regarding its Biennial Conservation Plan and conservation activities may also be directed to Dan Johnson at 509-495-2807.

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Executive Director and Secretary