***Via Electronic and United States Mail***

January 13, 2017

Steven V. King, Executive Director and Secretary

Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission

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RE: *Avista Corporation 2016 General Rate Case*

 Dockets UE-160228/UG-160229

Dear Mr. King:

Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced dockets are an original and six copies of Commission Staff’s Answer to Avista’s Petition for Reconsideration or Rehearing, and Certificate of Service.

Sincerely,

JENNIFER CAMERON-RULKOWSKI

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Enclosures

cc: Parties w/enc.