WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION STAFF RESPONSE TO BENCH REQUEST

DATE PREPARED: December 12, 2016 WITNESS: Chris McGuire DOCKET: UE-150204 and UG-150205 REQUESTER: Bench WITNESS: Chris McGuire RESPONDER: Chris McGuire TELEPHONE: (360) 664-1310

BENCH REQUEST NO. 22:

In responding to this request, please provide Excel files and ensure that all spreadsheets that include calculated figures contain fully-functional formulas.

A. Avista Corporation (Avista) and the Alliance of Western Energy Consumers provided calculations that show their respective models before removing attrition escalated rate base. The Public Counsel Unit of the Attorney General's Office also uses data points from Avista's model. Staff has provided a narrative in Exhibit CRM-10, but not the models and calculations before removing attrition escalated rate base in Excel format. McGuire, Exh. CRM-7T at 11:15-19.

Staff also invites the Commission to seek further detail on the incorporation of power supply costs in Jason Ball's testimony at Ball, Exh. JLB-7T at 4:15-18.

Please provide Staff's electric attrition model, before removing escalated rate base, that incorporates: (1) the Commission's modifications to the electric attrition methodology set forth in Order 05; and (2) Avista's Power Supply Update, filed in these dockets on October 29, 2015. McGuire, Exh. CRM-7T at 10:12-21.

Please also provide Staff's natural gas attrition model, before removing escalated rate base, that incorporates the Commission's modification to the natural gas attrition methodology set forth in Order 05. McGuire, Exh. CRM-7T at 11:1-11.

B. For each electric and natural gas attrition model also provide the corresponding revenue requirement calculation, consistent with Exhibits JLB-8 and JLB-9.

RESPONSE:

A. Please see Attachment A for Staff's electric attrition model, Exh. CRM-8, before removing escalated rate base. Attachment A incorporates the Commission's modifications to the electric attrition methodology set forth in Order 05, and Avista's October 29, 2015, Power Supply Update.

Please see Attachment B for Staff's natural gas attrition model, Exh. CRM-9, before removing escalated rate base. Attachment B incorporates the Commission's modification to the natural gas attrition methodology set forth in Order 05.

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B. Please see Attachment C for Staff's electric revenue requirement calculation, Exh. JLB-8, incorporating the electric attrition allowance results from Attachment A to this bench request response.

Please see Attachment D for Staff's natural gas revenue requirement calculation, Exh. JLB-9, incorporating the natural gas attrition allowance results from Attachment B to this bench request response.