

**BEFORE THE WASHINGTON
UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND
TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION,

Complainant,

v.

AVISTA CORPORATION, d/b/a
AVISTA UTILITIES,

Respondent.

DOCKETS UE-220053 and UG-220054
(Consolidated)

PETITION TO INTERVENE
OF THE ENERGY PROJECT

1 Pursuant to WAC 480-07-355(1), The Energy Project hereby petitions the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission or UTC) for leave to intervene in the above-captioned docket as an intervenor. The Energy Project requests intervention with full party status as described in WAC 480-07-340.

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4 Further, The Energy Project requests that a courtesy copy of service and correspondence relating to this matter be sent via e-mail to:

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5 The Energy Project works with Community Action Partnership agencies that provide rate assistance and energy efficiency programs for Avista Corporation's (Avista's) low-income customers. The Energy Project also works generally with utilities and other stakeholders to develop and expand rate assistance and energy efficiency programs for low-income customers in Washington. The Energy Project is a frequent party in general rate cases and other significant dockets before the UTC involving Washington investor-owned utilities when energy affordability, energy efficiency, and customer service policies are at issue. The Energy Project has an interest in the rate issues raised in Avista's filing and the potential impact on low-income customers and programs.

6 The Energy Project has a direct and substantial interest in Avista's tariff filing in this docket and no other party will adequately represent those interests. The Energy Project will be the only party to focus solely on the interests of low-income customers in this proceeding. The Energy Project's intervention will not unreasonably broaden the issues, burden the record, or delay the proceeding. Accordingly, it is in the public interest to allow The Energy Project to intervene in this docket.

7 For the foregoing reasons, The Energy Project respectfully petitions the Commission for leave to intervene in this proceeding.

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