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***Via Electronic Mail***

Steven V. King, Executive Director and Secretary

Washington Utilities & Transportation Commission

1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive S. W.

Olympia, Washington 98504-7250

RE: Docket No. UG-170297

AMENDED - Avista Utilities Application to Amend Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Operate a Gas Plant for Hire

Dear Mr. King:

Attached for filing with the Commission is an electronic copy of Avista Corporation’s dba Avista Utilities (“Avista” or “the Company”) amended Exhibits to the application to amend certain appendices of its “Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Operate a Gas Plant for Hire” in Eastern Washington.

The attached amended Exhibits to the application seeks to amend the Company’s existing Certificate of Public Convenience to remove some of the original areas requested for expansion. This amendment would update the application to only include the appendices where service is already being provided.

Please direct any questions regarding these comments to me at 509-495-4584 or by email, paul.kimball@avistacorp.com.

Sincerely,

/s/ Paul Kimball

Paul Kimball

Sr. Regulatory Analyst

Avista Utilities