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Amanda Maxwell, Executive Director and Secretary
Members of the Commission
Utilities and Transportation Commission
621 Woodland Square Loop SE
Lacey, WA 98503

Re: Review Committee Decision – Case 22-038 M&L Construction Inc.
vs. Avista Corporation

Dear Amanda Maxwell:

The Washington State Dig Law Safety Committee received a complaint
regarding a potential violation of Washington State Dig Law RCW
19.122.030 for work performed on 07/07/2022.

On 12/20/2022, the committee formed a review board and heard Case
22-038 filed by M&L Construction Inc. against Avista Corporation.

The review board determined that the respondent Avista Corporation
violated RCW 19.122.030(3)(a) for failing to locate the natural gas line
accurately.

Therefore, the committee recommends a total penalty of \$5000.
being assessed to the respondent as follows:

- \$5000 penalty for one violation of RCW 19.122.030(3)(a)

The recommended penalties total \$5000.

Please let me know if you have any questions regarding this case.
You contact me at 206-794-9823.

Sincerely,

Jim Walton, Chair
Cc: Lynda Holloway
Scott Hattenburg
Tyler Proszek