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Amanda Maxwell
Executive Director and Secretary
Washington Utilities & Transportation Commission
621 Woodland Square Loop SE
Lacey, WA 98503

State Of WASH.
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COMMISSION

Re: Avista Utilities Tariff WN U-29 Revisions, Schedule 190 – Natural Gas Efficiency Programs

Dear Ms. Maxwell:

Attached for electronic filing with the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) are the proposed tariff revisions of Avista Corporation, dba Avista Utilities (Avista or the Company), requesting modifications to the following electric tariff sheets, WN U-29:

Fourth Revision Sheet 190B Canceling Third Revision Sheet 190B

The purpose of these requested tariff revisions is to update existing verbiage to adequately reflect various energy efficiency program modifications for the 2023 program year onward. More specifically, training, workforce development and grant writing assistance were added to the forms of technical assistance that may be provided to customers by, or under the direction of, Avista staff. Language was also broadened to allow for such assistance to be provided to improve energy efficiency services. The intent of these additions are to further provide resources to customers within the communities that Avista serves so they are better positioned to take advantage of energy efficiency opportunities as they become available. Avista finds that this is one of several steps that can be taken to empower customers that have historically been resource constrained.

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Descriptions of these changes were presented to the Energy Efficiency Advisory Group

(EEAG or Advisory Group) on October 12, 2022, with the actual modifications to the verbiage

provided on October 14, 2022; no objections were noted from EEAG members regarding the tariff

changes. The Company and its Advisory Group continue to agree that though the tariff allows for

considerable flexibility in how programs are designed and delivered, there remains the occasional

need for modifications to help meet current and future market conditions and opportunities. This

continuous improvement and cost-effective adaptive management of energy efficiency programs

will allow Avista to continue to best serve its customers with efficiency services and to maximize

energy savings within its portfolio.

This filing is being made concurrently with the Company's 2023 Annual Conservation

Plan (ACP), which includes these proposed tariff revisions within Appendix C. Avista respectfully

requests that these proposed tariff revisions become effective January 1, 2023.

If you have any questions regarding this information, please contact Ryan Finesilver,

Planning and Implementation Manager, Energy Efficiency, at (509) 495-4973.

Sincerely,

|s|Shawn Bonfield

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Cc: Avista Advisory Group

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