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Washington Utilities & Transportation Commission
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Re: Docket No. UG-210827 - Avista Utilities 2023 Natural Gas Annual Conservation Plan (ACP)

Dear Ms. Maxwell,

On November 15, 2022, in compliance with the requirements outlined in Commission Order No. 01 in Docket No. UG-210827 approving Avista's 2022-2023 Biennial Conservation Plan (BCP) with conditions, Avista Corporation, dba Avista Utilities (Avista or "the Company"), respectfully submitted its 2023 Natural Gas Annual Conservation Plan. Since that time, the Company has been notified of an error in its cover letter and has been asked by Commission Staff to refile this cover letter with the correct information. As such, Avista requests that this letter replace the originally-filed cover letter, in its entirety.

Avista's Natural Gas ACP is intended to be a continuous planning process used to adaptively manage the Company's natural gas Energy Efficiency portfolio. Revisions and updates to the plan may occur over the course of the 2023 program year as the portfolio evolves, all of which will involve the collaborative efforts of Avista's Energy Efficiency Advisory Group (Advisory Group). Based on Avista's 2021 Natural Gas Integrated Resource Plan (IRP), the Washington natural gas conservation potential for 2023 is estimated to be 1,209,884 therms; this potential, coupled with Avista's commitment to achieve an additional five percent of conservation, results in a total natural gas conservation target of 1,270,378 therms. The 2023 ACP's expected acquisition is 1,271,767 therms. The Company has provided in its ACP the annual estimated

savings and budgets for each of its natural gas Energy Efficiency programs. Please see Appendix D for the annual program summary outlining Avista's planned savings by sector.

The 2023 Natural Gas ACP includes several appendices:

Appendix A: 2023 Evaluation, Measurement and Verification Plan

Appendix B: Summarization of Cost-Effectiveness Methodology

Appendix C: Schedule 190, Washington

Appendix D: Natural Gas Program Summary

A draft copy of the 2023 Natural Gas ACP was provided to Avista's Energy Efficiency Advisory Group on October 14, 2022, with all input received incorporated into the filing.

If you have any questions regarding this information, please contact Ryan Finesilver, Planning and Implementation Manager, Energy Efficiency, at (509) 495-4973.

Sincerely,

/s/ Jaime Majure

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