BEFORE THE WASHINGTON

UTILITIES & TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON UTILIITES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION,

Complainant,

v.

AVISTA CORPORATION d/b/a AVISTA UTILITIES,

Respondent.

DOCKET NOS. UE-190334 and UG-190335, UE-190222 (Consolidated)

GLENN A. WATKINS

ON BEHALF OF PUBLIC COUNSEL

EXHIBIT GAW-3C

Avista Response to Public Counsel Data Request Nos. 87C

with Confidential Attachments A-F

October 3, 2019

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AVISTA CORP. RESPONSE TO REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

JURISDICTION: WASHINGTON DATE PREPARED: 07/15/2019 UE-190334 & UG-190335 WITNESS: Joseph Miller CASE NO: **REQUESTER:** Public Counsel **RESPONDER:** Joe Miller TYPE: Data Request **Regulatory Affairs** DEPT: (509)495-4546 **REQUEST NO.: PC-087 TELEPHONE:** joe.miller@avistacorp.com EMAIL:

REQUEST:

For each special or negotiated rate customer (account), please provide:

- (a) reason(s) for a special or negotiated rate;
- (b) a copy of the current contract;
- (c) copy of the Commission Order and/or authorization of the special (negotiated) rate; and,
- (d) all correspondence, analyses, and workpapers provided to the Commission.

RESPONSE:

Please see Avista's **CONFIDENTIAL** response to data request no. PC - 087C. Please note that Avista's response to PC - 087C is **Confidential per Protective Order in UTC Dockets UE-190334 and UG-190335**.

(a) The Company serves seven customers under Schedule 148. The primary competitive economic alternative for Schedule 148 customers is direct connection to natural gas interstate pipelines. Because of this, Avista under the banded rates approved by the Commission in Schedule 148 entered into negotiated agreements with these customers in order to preserve some level of incremental margin for the Company which helps to offset costs that otherwise would be paid by non-Schedule 148 customers. Two special contracts did not meet the Schedule 148 requirements and therefore were filed with, and approved by, the UTC.

- (b) Please see PC 087C
- (c) Please see PC 087C
- (d) Please see PC 087C

Avista's Response to Public Counsel Data Request No. 87C, confidential Attachments A through F (83 pages) are redacted in its entirety.