AVISTA CORP. RESPONSE TO REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

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200900-901-894 CASE NO: WITNESS: H. Rosentrater/E. Andrews REQUESTER: RESPONDER: Bench J. Pluth/L. Andrews TYPE: Bench Request DEPT: **Regulatory Affairs** REQUEST NO.: Bench Request No. 7 TELEPHONE: (509) 495-2204

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REQUEST:

Please update actual advanced metering infrastructure (AMI) cost data through July 2021. Response must be filed with the Commission no later than 5 p.m. on Friday, August 13, 2021.

RESPONSE:

Please see "Bench Request 7 - Attachment A 2021 actual thru 07.31.2021" for the actual transfers to plant for AMI for the seven months ended July 31, 2021.

The Company had pro formed AMI electric capital for 2021 of \$1,687,308 in its rebuttal case. Actual electric transfers to plant for the seven-month ended July 31, 2021 was \$1,898,341. Since the actual transfers to plant exceeded the amount pro formed, the Company did not update its rebuttal position.

The Company had pro formed AMI natural gas capital for 2021 of \$680,406 in its rebuttal case. Actual natural gas transfers to plant for the seven-month ended July 31, 2021 was \$273,503. Since the actual transfers to plant were less than the amount pro formed by \$406,903, the Company updated its rebuttal position. By updating the natural gas AMI transfers to plant, the revenue requirement was reduced \$48,000. The Company has provided updated workpapers for this change as follows: "Bench Request 7 - Attachment B - 3.16 a) PF 2020 Capital AMI adjustment detail" and "Bench Request 7 - Attachment C - 3.16 b) PF 2020 Capital AMI adjustment detail".

Finally, attachment "Bench Request 7 - Attachment D - Revised Exh. EMA-9 Gas Rebuttal Model with AMI" provides the Company's REVISED Natural Gas Revenue requirement model as filed on rebuttal, updated to reflect this reduction in AMI natural gas transfers to plant. The revised revenue requirement model is provided for ease, to reflect the revised Natural Gas PF Adj. 3.16, and the revised revenue requirement of \$10,666,000, as shown in the table below.

Revised Revenue Requirement - Natural Gas		
Rebuttal Revenue Requirement ¹	\$	10,714
Bench Request 7 - AMI Update	\$	(48)
Avista Revised Revenue Requirement ²	\$	10,666
Base Rate Increase		10.14%
Billed Rate Increase (prior to Customer Tax Credit)		6.61%
¹ Per Exh. EMA-9, page 2, row 7.		
² Per Bench Request 7 - Attachment D, pg 3, row 7.		