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Mark L. Johnson, Executive Director and Secretary  
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission  
621 Woodland Square Loop SE  
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RE: *In the Matter of the Petition of Avista Corporation d/b/a Avista Utilities, for an Order Approving the Avoided Cost Methodology for Power Purchases from Large Qualified Facilities per WAC 480-106-050(5)*  
Docket UE-200455

Dear Mr. Johnson:

Commission Staff respectfully requests that the commission extend today's September 11, 2020 deadline for response to Avista's petition in the above-referenced docket to a date after the September 24, 2020 open meeting, at which time the commission is expected to resolve issues related to Avista's standard contract in Docket UE-190663.

Avista's avoided cost rate methodology for power purchases from large qualified facilities, found in Revised Exhibit A to its petition, appears to differ materially and substantially from the Schedule 62 avoided cost tariff under consideration by the commission in Docket UE-190663. For this reason, Staff requests permission to file comments in response to Avista's petition by October 31, 2020, with a commission order to follow.

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully,

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