BEFORE THE WASHINGTON

UTILITIES & TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION,

Complainant,

v.

AVISTA CORPORATION d/b/a AVISTA UTILITIES,

Respondent.

DOCKET NOS. UE-200900 and UG-200901 (Consolidated)

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ON BEHALF OF THE WASHINGTON STATE OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL PUBLIC COUNSEL UNIT

EXHIBIT ACC-9

Avista Response to Commission Staff Data Request No. 39

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AVISTA CORP. RESPONSE TO REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

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REQUEST: RE: AMA to EOP

Please refer to the direct testimony of Elizabeth M. Andrews, page 50, footnote 37:

After completion of the Company's revenue requirement, it was discovered that the transfer-toplant balance included in the 2019 historical test period for the Cabinet Gorge Gantry Crane Replacement project completed in 2019, was overstated by approximately \$1.4 million (system) in costs that should have been recorded to expense. This error was corrected in 2020 . . . [T]he Company will update restating adjustment "Restate 2019 AMA Rate Base to EOP (2.19)" to correct for this error.

Please provide the revised restating adjustment for "Restate 2019 AMA Rate Base to EOP (2.19)" to correct for this error.

RESPONSE:

Please see Staff-DR-039-Attachment A for the revised restating adjustment for "Restate 2019 AMA Rate Base to EOP (2.19)", including the workpaper, "Staff-DR-039", showing the calculation for correcting the overstated transfer-to-plant balance included in the 2019 historical test period for the Cabinet Gorge Gantry Crane Replacement project.

As noted in direct testimony of Ms. Andrews, page 50, footnote 37, this correction was discovered after the completion of the Company's revenue requirement and the impact of this correction is expected to be "reducing rate base by approximately \$904,000, depreciation expense by \$10,000, and increasing 2019 restating operating expense by approximately \$0.9 million (\$1.4 million system)." Upon further review, there was an inadvertent error in the calculation of the overall revenue requirement impact that was described in Ms. Andrews' testimony. The <u>overall net impact</u> of this correction increases the Company's proposed revenue requirement by approximately \$862,000. Please see the workpaper "Staff-DR-039" contained in Staff-DR-039-Attachment A for calculations of this new revenue requirement impact.