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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)

ANDREA C. CRANE

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

EXHIBIT ACC-17

Avista Response to Public Counsel Data Request No. 315

April 21, 2021

AVISTA CORP. RESPONSE TO REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

JURISDICTION: WASHINGTON DATE PREPARED: 04/15/2021

CASE NO.: UE-200900 & UG-200901 WITNESS: Elizabeth Andrews REQUESTER: **Public Counsel** RESPONDER: Tia Benjamin TYPE: Data Request DEPT: Regulatory Affairs (509) 495-2225 REQUEST NO.: PC - 315 TELEPHONE:

EMAIL: tia.benjamin@avistacorp.com

SUBJECT: Labor and Benefits Expense

REQUEST:

For each benefit category included in Adjustment 3.06, please provide the actual benefit expense for the period ending December 31, 2020. Please provide this information separately for Washington Electric and Washington Gas.

RESPONSE:

Please see PC-DR-315 Attachment A for updated benefit expense actuals for yearend 12.31.2020. Updating Pro Forma Adjustment 3.06 Employee Benefits using actual 2020 expenses result in an increase in employee benefit expense of \$100,000 for Washington electric and \$30,000 for Washington natural gas, from that included in the Company's direct filed case.