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## **Washington State Dig Law Safety Committee**

P.O. Box 734 • Poulsbo, WA 98370

January 11, 2020

Mark Johnson, Executive Director and Secretary Members of the Commission Utilities and Transportation Commission 1300 Evergreen Park Drive SW Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Re: Review Committee Decision – Case 19-077 Avista Corporation vs.

Dear Mr. Johnson:

Neighborhood Fence

The Washington State Dig Law Safety Committee received a complaint regarding a potential violation of the Washington State Dig Law RCW 19.122.030 for work performed on July 31, 2019.

On, January 9, 2020, the committee formed a review board and heard Case 19-077, filed by Avista Corporation vs. Neighborhood Fence.

The Review Committee determined that the respondent did violate RCW 19.122.030(5) by requesting a locate be completed but not waiting two full business days for the locate work to be complete.

The Review Committee recommends the following penalty be assessed to the respondent:

• For Case 19-077 \$1000.00 for one violation of RCW 19.122.030(5)

For a total of \$1000.00 with \$800.00 deferred on the condition that the ownership and field staff attend NUCA dig safe training and have no additional violation of RCW 19.122 within 12 months of receiving a penalty assessment order.

Please let me know if you have any questions regarding this case. I can be contacted at 206-794-9823.

Sincerely,

Jim Walton, Chair

cc: Lynda Holloway, UTC

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