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September 7, 2006

**VIA FEDERAL EXPRESS  
AND ELECTRONIC FILING**

Carol Washburn  
Executive Secretary  
Washington Utilities & Transportation  
Commission  
1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive, S.W.  
P.O. Box 47250  
Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Re: *In the Matter of the Application of Avista Corporation d/b/a Avista Utilities For  
an Order Approving a Corporate Reorganization to Create a Holding Company,  
VA Formation Corp.*  
WUTC Docket No. UE-060273

Dear Ms. Washburn:

This letter submits for filing the original and twelve copies of the following two documents:

- 1) Northwest Industrial Gas Users' Petition to Intervene, and
- 2) Notice of Appearance on Behalf of the Northwest Industrial Gas Users

These documents have also been transmitted to you via electronic mail, in both Word and PDF formats. Paper copies will be mailed to all on the WUTC's current Service List.

Thank you for your assistance.

Very truly yours,



Edward A. Finklea

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Enclosures

**BEFORE THE**

**WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

In the Matter of the Application of ) DOCKET NO. UE-060273  
)  
Avista Corporation d/b/a Avista Utilities ) NOTICE OF APPEARANCE ON  
) BEHALF OF THE NORTHWEST  
For an Order Approving a Corporation ) INDUSTRIAL GAS USERS  
Reorganization to Create a Holding )  
Company, AVA Formation Corp. )  
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1. Pursuant to WAC § 480-07-345(2), Edward A. Finklea and Chad M. Stokes of the law firm Cable Huston Benedict Haagensen & Lloyd LLP submit this Notice of Appearance in the above-captioned proceeding as counsel for the Northwest Industrial Gas Users. Edward A. Finklea is admitted to practice, in good standing, before the highest court of Oregon. Chad M. Stokes is also admitted to practice, in good standing, before the highest court of Washington and Oregon. As provided by WAC § 480-07-145(2)(d), this Notice of Appearance has also been provided by electronic mail.

DATED: September 7, 2006.

Respectfully submitted,



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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on September 7, 2006 I caused to be served the foregoing NOTICE OF APPEARANCE ON BEHALF OF THE NORTHWEST INDUSTRIAL GAS USERS upon all parties of record on the following current service list for these proceedings by mailing a copy properly addressed with first class postage prepaid:

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