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February 21, 2024

NOTICE OF RECESSED OPEN MEETING
(To be held at 9:00 a.m., Friday, March 22, 2024)

RE: Avista Corporation d/b/a Avista Utilities' 2023 Biennial Clean Energy Implementation Plan Update.

Docket UE-210628

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

In 2019 the Washington Legislature passed the Clean Energy Transformation Act (CETA) to address the impacts of climate change by transforming the energy supply, modernizing the electric system, while ensuring the benefits are shared broadly.¹ The act sets the following mandatory targets:

- 2025 – All electric utilities must eliminate coal-fired resources serving Washington state customers.
- 2030 – All electric utilities must be greenhouse gas neutral, for example, remaining carbon emissions are offset by renewable energy, energy efficiency, carbon reduction project investments, or payments funding low-income assistance.
- 2045 – All electric utilities must supply 100 percent of retail sales of electricity from renewable or zero-carbon resources.

The Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) issued rules implementing CETA on December 28, 2020.²

¹ RCW 19.405.010.

² WAC 480-100-640.

The Biennial Clean Energy Implementation Plan Update (Biennial Update)

The list below describes the requirements for a Biennial Update per WAC 480-100-640³

- The utility must make a Biennial Update filing on or before November 1 of each odd-numbered year that the utility does not file a CEIP.
- The Biennial Update may be limited to the biennial conservation plan requirements under Chapter **480-109** WAC.
- The utility must file its Biennial Update in the same docket as its most recently filed CEIP and include an explanation of how the update will modify targets in its CEIP.
- In addition to its proposed biennial conservation plan, the utility may file in the Biennial Update other proposed changes to the CEIP as a result of the integrated resource plan progress report.

Per [WAC 480-100-645](#)(2), the Commission will review Avista's Biennial Update at an open public meeting. Avista representatives will present the Biennial Update to the Commission and respond to questions from the Commissioners and the public at a recessed open meeting of the Commission to be held on **Friday, March 22, 2024, at 9:00 a.m.**

The recessed open meeting will be held with a hybrid format, both in person and virtually. Interested persons may comment on the plan at the meeting or may listen to the meeting via Zoom by calling (253) 215-8782 and using conference ID 816 1703 6134 and passcode 078982. To participate via Zoom [click here to join the open meeting](#). If you wish to be placed on the interested persons contact list, please submit your request to the Commission's Record Center at records@utc.wa.gov.

The Commission is committed to providing reasonable accommodation to participants with disabilities. If you need a reasonable accommodation for the recessed open meeting, please contact the Commission at least one business day prior to the meeting by calling (360) 664-1132 or by sending an email to human_resources@utc.wa.gov. For TTY service, please call the Washington Relay Service at (800) 833-6384 or 711.

If you wish to participate and need an interpreter, one will be provided at no cost to you. If you need an interpreter, please contact the Commission at least one business day prior to the meeting by calling (360) 664-1149 or by sending an email to Stacey Brewster at stacey.brewster@utc.wa.gov.

A copy of the Biennial Update can be accessed via [Avista's electronic docket](#), available online through the Commission's Record Center. Requests for copies of the Biennial Update should be directed to Avista.

³ WAC 480-100-640(11).

If you are unable to attend but would like to comment on Avista's Biennial Update, you can submit written comments per WAC 480-07-900(5)(c).⁴ All written comments should be submitted to the Commission at least three business days in advance of the meeting (March 19, 2024) to enable the Commissioners to consider those comments during the meeting.

Questions for Avista may be directed to Company representative Shawn Bonfield by email at shawn.bonfield@avistacorp.com or by calling (509) 495-2782. Questions for Commission staff may be directed to Molly Brewer by email at molly.brewer@utc.wa.gov or by calling (360) 664-1237. **When inquiring about the subject of this Notice, please refer to Docket UE-210628.**

JEFF KILLIP
Executive Director and Secretary

⁴ WAC 480-07-900(5)(C).