

**BEFORE THE WASHINGTON  
UTILITIES & TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION,

Complainant,

v.

AVISTA CORPORATION d/b/a AVISTA UTILITIES,

Respondent.

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

**GLENN A. WATKINS**

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

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**EXHIBIT GAW-8**

Avista Response to Commission Staff Data Request No. 161

**May 28, 2021**

**AVISTA CORP.  
RESPONSE TO REQUEST FOR INFORMATION**

JURISDICTION:	WASHINGTON	DATE PREPARED:	05/04/2021
CASE NO.:	UE-200900 & UG-200901	WITNESS:	Tara Knox
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TYPE:	Data Request	DEPT:	Regulatory Affairs
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**Re: Cost of Service, Rate Spread, Rate Design – Electric**

**REQUEST:**

Please reference Knox workpaper System and Distribution Demand 12CP 12.2019, tab “Notes.” Please confirm the reference to the 2009 load study is a scrivener’s error, and that it should read 2014 load study.

**RESPONSE:**

Yes, that notation should have been updated to 2014 when the values were updated in Docket No. UE-160228.

The “Notes” tab is a narrative to aid users of the Demand Estimation model (utilized for test years between load studies) to understand the calculation process. The “Load Shape” and “Peak Calc NCP” tabs were updated for the 2014 load study information starting with the Cost of Service Study filed in Docket No. UE-160228. The date notation in the “Notes” tab was inadvertently overlooked at that time. However, 2014 load study information has been used in the Demand Estimation model in the electric Cost of Service workpapers provided for Docket Nos. UE-160228, UE-170485, UE-190334, and UE-200900. As the Company intends to utilize hourly AMI data in future WA electric cost of service studies, this estimation model will become obsolete.