

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND	)	
TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION	)	
	)	
Complainant,	)	DOCKET NO. UE-070804
	)	and
v.	)	DOCKET NO. UG-070805
	)	(consolidated)
	)	
AVISTA CORPORATION d/b/a AVISTA	)	
UTILITIES	)	
	)	
Respondent.	)	
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In the Matter of the Petition of	)	
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AVISTA CORPORATION d/b/a AVISTA	)	DOCKET NO. UE-070311
UTILITIES,	)	
	)	
For an Accounting Order Regarding the	)	
Appropriate Treatment of the Net Costs	)	
Associated With the Repurchase of Debt	)	
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EXHIBIT NO.\_\_\_\_(DWS-2)

QUALIFICATIONS OF

DONALD W. SCHOENBECK

October 17, 2007

**QUALIFICATIONS AND BACKGROUND  
OF  
DONALD W. SCHOENBECK**

**Q. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND BUSINESS ADDRESS.**

**A.** Donald W. Schoenbeck, 900 Washington Street, Suite 780, Vancouver,  
Washington 98660.

**Q. PLEASE STATE YOUR OCCUPATION.**

**A.** I am a consultant in the field of public utility regulation and I am a member of  
Regulatory & Cogeneration Services, Inc. (RCS).

**Q. PLEASE SUMMARIZE YOUR EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND AND  
EXPERIENCE.**

**A.** I have a Bachelor of Science Degree in Electrical Engineering from the University  
of Kansas, a Master of Science Degree in Engineering Management from the  
University of Missouri and I have completed all the course work toward a Master  
of Science Degree in Nuclear Engineering.

From June of 1972 until June of 1980, I was employed by Union Electric  
Company in the Transmission and Distribution, Rates, and Corporate Planning  
functions. In the Transmission and Distribution function, I had various areas of  
responsibility, including load management, budget proposals and special studies.  
While in the Rates function, I worked on rate design studies, filings and exhibits  
for several regulatory jurisdictions. In Corporate Planning, I was responsible for  
the development and maintenance of computer models used to simulate the  
Company's financial and economic operations.

In June of 1980, I joined the national consulting firm of Drazen-Brubaker

1        & Associates, Inc. Since that time, I have participated in the analysis of various  
2        utilities for power cost forecasts, avoided cost pricing, contract negotiations for  
3        gas and electric services, siting and licensing proceedings, and rate case purposes  
4        including revenue requirement determination, class cost-of-service and rate  
5        design.

6        In April 1988, I formed RCS. RCS provides consulting services in the field of  
7        public utility regulation to many clients, including large industrial and  
8        institutional customers. We also assist in the negotiation of contracts for utility  
9        services for large users. In general, we are engaged in regulatory consulting, rate  
10       work, feasibility, economic and cost-of-service studies, design of rates for utility  
11       service and contract negotiations.

12    **Q.    IN WHICH JURISDICTIONS HAVE YOU TESTIFIED AS AN EXPERT**  
13    **WITNESS REGARDING UTILITY COST AND RATE MATTERS?**

14    **A.**    I have testified as an expert witness in rate proceedings before commissions in the  
15       states of Alaska, Arizona, California, Delaware, Idaho, Illinois, Montana, Nevada,  
16       North Carolina, Ohio, Oregon, Washington, Wisconsin and Wyoming. In  
17       addition, I have presented testimony before the Bonneville Power Administration,  
18       the National Energy Board of Canada, the Federal Energy Regulatory  
19       Commission, publicly-owned utility boards and in court proceedings in the states  
20       of Washington, Oregon and California.