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February 19, 2018

Via Electronic Mail

Steven V. King
Executive Director and Secretary
Washington Utilities & Transportation Commission
1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive S. W.
P.O. Box 47250
Olympia, Washington 98504-7250

Re: Docket Nos. U-170970 – Customer Notice

Dear Mr. King:

In compliance with WAC 480-100-198 and 480-90-198, Avista Corporation dba Avista Utilities (Avista or Company) submits for filing a copy of the customer notice in the above referenced Docket. The notice was prepared consistent with WAC 480-100-197 and includes the information required by WAC 480-100-194(4). Avista serves approximately 248,000 electric and 160,000 natural gas customers in the state of Washington that may be affected by the proposed rate increase. The customer notice will be posted to the Company's website and will be included in customer bills starting no later than February 23, 2018. All customers will have received the bill insert after the 30-day bill cycle is complete. The Company will release to the media (radio, television, and newspapers) the information related to the public hearings. The attached notice has been reviewed by Commission Staff and Public Counsel.

Please direct any questions on this matter to myself at (509) 495-4975 or Patrick Ehrbar at (509) 495-8620.

Sincerely,

/s/Linda Gervais/

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