BEFORE THE WASHINGTON

UTILITIES & TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION,

Complainant,

v.

AVISTA CORPORATION d/b/a AVISTA UTILITIES,

Respondent.

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

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

EXHIBIT PADS-9

Avista Response to Public Counsel Data Request No. 254

April 21, 2021

AVISTA CORP.
RESPONSE TO REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

JURISDICTION:	WASHINGTON	DATE PREPARED:	03/18/2021
CASE NO.:	UE-200900 & UG-200901	WITNESS:	David Howell
REQUESTER:	UTC Staff	RESPONDER:	David James
TYPE:	Data Request	DEPT:	Wildfire Resiliency
REQUEST NO.:	PC-254	TELEPHONE:	(509) 495-4185
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RE: Wildfire Plan

REQUEST:
Please refer to Avista's Response to Public Counsel Data Request No. 084 (r), which provides a count of wooden transmission poles.
a) Provide a count of transmission pole fires by year 2017, 2018, and 2019.
b) Provide the number (or estimate the percent) of wooden transmission poles equipped with cross arms by WUI risk tier (low, 1, 2, and 3).
c) Provide the number of fiberglass cross arms Avista has installed on wooden transmission poles to date by WUI risk tier (low, 1, 2, and 3).
d) Provide the number of wooden transmission poles Avista replaced by year in 2017, 2018, and 2019.
e) Provide the number of wooden transmission cross arms Avista replaced with fiberglass cross arms in 2017, 2018, and 2019.

RESPONSE:

a) 2017: 7
   2018: 16
   2019: 12

b) The number of wood transmission poles in WUI risk zones is shown below. It is estimated that approximately 80% of these have crossarms. The exact actual number of crossarms is not readily available.
   Low: 15,056
   Tier 1: 3,447
   Tier 2: 3,046
   Tier 3: 1,539

c) Avista does not install fiberglass crossarms on transmission wood poles as they tend to deflect under load.

d) 2017: 1301
    2018: 667
    2019: 234

e) Avista does not install fiberglass crossarms on transmission wood poles as they tend to deflect under load.

See Avista's response to PC-DR-257.