

AVISTA CORP.
RESPONSE TO REQUEST FOR INFORMATION
Annual Filing to Review Deferrals (ERM)

JURISDICTION:	Washington	DATE PREPARED:	8-15-03
CASE NO:	UE-011595	WITNESS:	Dick Storro
REQUESTER:	Public Counsel	RESPONDER:	Pat Gorton
TYPE:	Data Request	DEPT:	Energy Resources
REQUEST NO:	169	TELEPHONE:	(509) 495-4353

REQUEST:

For each of the natural gas sales and corresponding power purchases described in witness Storro's testimony and summarized in Avista's response to WUTC DR- 178, please provide any and all power or gas market statistics or analyses that were relied upon to determine the timing, size, or value of the trades.

RESPONSE:

Please see responses to Public Counsel Data Request No. 164. In addition to typical market duration and size, natural gas is typically transacted in volumes of 5,000 to 10,000 dth/day. The analysis and economic value of the transactions was determined by the availability of plants, the heat rates of the available plants and the price relationship between gas and power.

The gas sales the Company made lowered the total net power supply expense at the time the transactions were executed. The Company does not conduct "hindsight" analyses to determine if the timing of each sale was perfect.