

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

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**REQUEST:**

**Re: Rebuttal Testimony of William G. Johnson, Exh. WGJ-1T at 2.**

- a) Confirm that the summer Colstrip outage was primarily a result of Colstrip exceeding the MATS emission standard, rather than of efforts to reduce emissions at Colstrip. If not confirmed, explain why not.
- b) Confirm that tests to identify the source of elevated PM emission levels generally take place when generating units are operating. If not confirmed, explain why not.
- c) Is it Avista's position that an outage and derate of similar magnitude and duration to the summer 2018 Colstrip outage and derate would have been necessary for the Colstrip co-owners to identify and correct the elevated PM issue in Spring 2018? Please explain.

**RESPONSE:**

- a) Avista confirms that the summer Colstrip outage was primarily a result of Colstrip exceeding the MATS emission standard, rather than of efforts to reduce emissions at Colstrip.
- b) Avista confirms that tests to identify the source of elevated PM emission levels generally take place when generating units are operating.
- c) Avista cannot speculate whether a de-rate of similar magnitude and duration that actually occurred in the summer of 2018 would have been necessary for the Colstrip co-owners to identify and correct the elevated PM issues in Spring 2018. Our position is that it was premature to derate and shut down the plant in the Spring of 2018 based on information available to the Operator at the time.

See Avista's response to Staff DR 322, 320 and 319.