

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

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REQUEST:

a. Compliance Status Percentage

Please provide the projected load, the percent contribution of both company eligible renewable resources and renewable energy credits (RECs) toward satisfaction of RPS requirements; the percent contribution of both renewable resources and RECs toward satisfaction of the 2012 company reserve (buffer), and information on how these percentages have been calculated, including how acquired resources and RECs have been allocated to Washington State.

b. Do you expect to exceed your renewable “need” for 2012? Please provide information on the level of expected excess, including the number of RECs that you expect to sell in 2012 and the number of RECs you expect to carry over to 2013.

c. Compliance Status Values

Please fill in the table below and include information on the means used (how) you derived the values in relation to eligible renewable resources and the renewable energy credits.

Compliance Status Values	2012	2013
1. Renewable Resource Anticipated “Need” in MWh		
2 Renewable Resource Reserve “Need” (Over anticipated Need) in MWh		
3. Renewable Resource Anticipated Beyond Reserve in MWh		
4. Total Renewable MWh Production		

RESPONSE:

a. Avista’s projected load for 2012 compliance is 5,534,889 MWh, resulting in a 166,047 MWh renewable requirement. The Company plans to meet this requirement using owned or contracted-for qualified renewable resources (qualified hydroelectric upgrades and contracted wind generation).

There is no REC reserve for the 2012 compliance year. The Company will carry a REC reserve in future years to ensure compliance. It will develop and document its REC reserve plan in its 2013 Integrated Resource Planning (IRP) process.

Washington is the only jurisdiction where Avista has a renewable portfolio standard. Therefore, all qualified hydroelectric upgrades and any required Palouse Wind RECs needed for compliance will be assigned to Washington.

- b. Yes, Avista expects to exceed its renewable requirements under the Energy Independence Act in 2012 by 49,607 MWh. There are an estimated 34,973 MWh of qualified resources from the Palouse Wind Project that will be eligible for use in 2013 compliance. The remaining qualified renewable energy is from qualified hydroelectric generation that cannot be used for compliance in years besides when they are generated. The Company has not sold any surplus RECs at this time.
- c.

Compliance Status Values	2012	2013
1. Renewable Resource Anticipated “Need” in MWh	166,047	169,544
2 Renewable Resource Reserve “Need” (Over anticipated Need) in MWh	0	7,690 ¹
3. Renewable Resource Anticipated Beyond Reserve in MWh	0	0
4. Total Renewable MWh Production	166,047	177,234

¹ This is Avista’s current estimate of it’s “over anticipated need.”