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## Sent via Overnight Mail

Mr. Steven King

Executive Director & Secretary

Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission

1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive SW

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Olympia, Washington 98504-7250

Re: Avista Utilities Community Solar Contracts with Affiliates

Dear Mr. King:

Pursuant to WAC 480-100-245, “Affiliated Interests – Contracts or Arrangements”, Avista is providing notice to the Commission that it is Avista’s intent to enter into an agreement with Steam Plant Square, LLC (“Steam Plant”) and Court Yard Office Center, LP (“Court Yard), related to the Company’s Community Solar Program. Steam Plant and Court Yard are affiliates of Avista, as discussed in the Company’s annual Affiliated Interest and Subsidiary Transaction Report.

WAC 480-100-245 states that electric utilities must provide copies or summaries of arrangements between a utility and an affiliate, except where such transactions are provided at tariffed rates. Avista’s Community Solar program, administered through the Company’s Commission-approved electric tariff Schedule 97, is available to “Customers that have a primary residence or business in the Company’s Washington service area.” Both Steam Plant and Court Yard are electric business customers of Avista in its Washington service area. As such, both entities qualify to participate in the Company’s tariffed community solar offering.

The same terms and conditions that apply to all other customers participating in this program will apply to Steam Plant and Court Yard. A copy of the standard “Solar Interest Purchase Agreement”, previously provided to the Commission, is attached for ease of reference. As it relates to Steam Plant and Court Yard’s participation in the Company’s Community Solar Program, both entities will be purchasing the interest in the production capability of twelve specific solar photovoltaic panels located in the Company’s Community Solar Array.

Please direct any questions related to this letter to Patrick Ehrbar at 509.495.8620 or pat.ehrbar@avistacorp.com.

Sincerely,

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