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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

April 27, 2017

Steven V. King
Executive Director and Secretary
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission
1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive, S.W.
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RE: Avista Utilities 2017 Electric Commission Basis Report Pursuant to WAC 480-100-257

Dear Mr. King:

Enclosed for filing is an electronic copy of Avista Utilities 2017 Electric Commission Basis Report (CBR). The original and two copies are being provided via overnight mail. The report is being filed pursuant to WAC 480-100-257. The report is based on the period of twelve months ended December 31, 2017. This report is being supplied for informational purposes only.

Additional CBR reporting requirements per UTC Commission Orders are as follows: Per Order No. 05, Docket No. UE-050482, the Company's 2017 annual expense for vegetation management totaled approximately \$5.0 million (Washington electric).

Per Order No. 05, Docket No. UE-070804, the Company's 2017 Wood Pole Test & Treat Program (system electric) expenses and capital expenditures totaled approximately \$0.8 million and \$11.2 million, respectively. Included as Attachment A is the summary table showing the Wood Pole Test & Treat Model Budget (as reported by Avista in Docket No. UE-070804 for the years 2008 through 2017) compared to the Annual Budget and Actual expense and capital expenditures for the reporting year as requested by Staff.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (509) 495-8601.

Sincerely,

Liz M. Andrews Senior Manager, Revenue Requirements Enclosure

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