

Washington State Dig Law Safety Committee

1734 Indigo Lane NE, Poulsbo, WA 98370-8795

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Committee Members Represent:

Local Government

Natural Gas Utility

Contractors

Excavators

Electric Utility

Consumer – Owned Utility

Pipeline Utility

Insurance Industry

Utilities and Transportation Commission

Telecommunications Company

Three At – Large Positions

Amanda Maxwell, Executive Director and Secretary Members of the Commission Utilities and Transportation Commission 621 Woodland Square Loop SE Lacey, WA 98503



Re: Review Committee Decision – Case 22-002 M&L Construction, Inc. vs. Avista Corporation

Dear Amanda Maxwell:

The Washington State Dig Law Safety Committee received a complaint regarding a potential violation of Washington State Dig Law RCW 19.122.030 for work performed on November 1, 2021.

On March 30, 2022, the committee formed a review board and heard Case 22-002 filed by M&L Construction, Inc. against Avista Corporation.

The review board determined that the respondent Avista Corporation violated RCW 19.122.030(3)(a) for failing to provide the excavator with the location of their facilities.

Therefore, the committee recommends a total penalty of \$5000 being assessed to the respondent as follows:

• \$5000 for one violation of RCW 19.122.030(3)(a)



The recommended penalties total \$5000.

Please let me know if you have any questions regarding this case. You may contact me at 206-794-9823.

Sincerely

Jim Walton, Chair Cc: Lynda Holloway Scot Hattenburg, M&L Construction, Inc.