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Amanda Maxwell, Executive Director and Secretary Washington Utilities & Transportation Commission 621 Woodland Square Loop SE Lacey, Washington 98503

RE: UE-210832 - Avista Utilities 2022 All-Source Request for Proposals

Dear Mrs. Maxwell:

On November 1, 2021, Avista Corporation, dba Avista Utilities (Avista or the Company), filed its Draft 2022 All-Source Request for Proposals for Resources (2022 All-Source RFP). On December 14th and 15th, comments were filed regarding the 2022 All-Source RFP by Washington Utilities & Transportation Commission Staff (Staff), Swan Lake and Goldendale, and jointly by Renewable Northwest and the NW Energy Coalition. Per WAC 480-107-017(4), the Commission must "approve, approve with conditions, or suspend the filed RFP....within seventy-five days after the utility files its RFP" or by January 14th in this case.

As a result of the comments received, along with the recently announced contract reached between Avista and Chelan County PUD for 5% of the output from Rock Island and Rocky Reach Hydro Project from 2026 through 2030, increasing to 10% from 2031 to 2045, Avista is preparing to file a revised 2022 All-Source RFP as soon as possible. However, Avista will not be able to file the revised 2022 All-Source RFP with sufficient time for Staff and other stakeholders to review prior to the January 13th Open Meeting when the Commission is slated to take action on the RFP. As such, Avista requests an exemption to WAC 480-107-017(4) so that the Commission may withhold action on the 2022 All-Source RFP until a later date. The Company believes that it will be able to file the

revised 2022 All-Source RFP with sufficient time for stakeholder review prior to the January 27th Open Meeting.

If you have any questions regarding the 2022 All-Source RFP, please contact Chris Drake at 509-495-8624 or via email at chris.drake@avistacorp.com or myself at 509-495-2782 or via email at shawn.bonfield@avistacorp.com.

Sincerely,

/s/Shawn Bonfield

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