

BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND
TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

DOCKET NO. UE-06 _____

DAVID J. MEYER

REPRESENTING AVISTA CORPORATION

CLAIM OF CONFIDENTIALITY

1 I, David J. Meyer, represent Avista Corporation. I am Vice President and Chief
2 Counsel for Regulatory and Governmental Affairs for Avista Corporation (“Avista” or
3 “Company”) and I am appearing on its behalf in this proceeding.

4 I make this claim of confidentiality pursuant to WAC 480-07-160 (3)(a) because
5 Avista, through its supporting workpapers, provided in the above captioned docket, is
6 disclosing certain information that is CONFIDENTIAL and constitutes VALUABLE
7 COMMERCIAL INFORMATION as defined by WAC 480-07-160 (2) and protected
8 under WAC 480-07-160 and RCW 80-04-095.

9 Any printed information Avista provides will, as required under WAC 480-07-
10 160, be marked as CONFIDENTIAL PER WAC 480-07-160, submitted on yellow or
11 canary paper, and will be provided under separate cover. The electronic information
12 Avista provides will be reproduced separately on a compact disk (CD) and will also be
13 marked as CONFIDENTIAL PER WAC 480-07-160.

14 The confidential information that Avista is disclosing can be classified as
15 information pertaining to contract prices, terms and conditions, and plant operation
16 data, and, as such, comprises valuable commercial information. In addition, Avista has
17 a licensing agreement with EPIS, Inc., for the use of their AURORA Electric Market
18 Model software package used by the Company to determine power supply costs, and
19 can only be shared with licensed users. Avista also asserts that the aforementioned
20 information is confidential in that certain contract information is prohibited, by the
21 contract terms, from public disclosure.

1 I am of the opinion, therefore, that this information is "CONFIDENTIAL," as
2 defined by WAC 480-07-160, and should be protected from public inspection,
3 examination and copying.

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5 RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 30th day of August, 2006.

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D. J. Meyer", is written over a horizontal line.

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David J. Meyer
Vice President and Chief Counsel for
Regulatory and Governmental Affairs
Avista Corporation

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