Exh. DCP-15 Dockets UE-240006/UG-240007 Witness: David C. Parcell

BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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Complainant,

v.

AVISTA CORPORATION,

Respondent

DOCKETS UE-240006 & UG-240007 (Consolidated)

EXHIBIT TO

TESTIMONY OF

DAVID C. PARCELL

ON BEHALF OF STAFF OF WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

Risk Indicators

July 3, 2024

RISK INDICATORS

COMPANY	VALUE LINE SAFETY	VALUE LINE BETA	VALUE LINE FINANCIAL STRENGTH	
Proxy Group				
ALLETE	2	0.95	А	4.00
Avista Corp.	3	0.95	B+	3.33
Black Hills Corp	3	1.05	B++	3.67
IDACORP	1	0.85	А	4.00
MGE Energy	3	0.80	B++	3.67
NorthWestern Corp	3	0.95	B+	3.33
OGE Energy	3	1.05	B++	3.67
Otter Tail Corp	2	0.95	Α	4.00
Pinnacle West Capital	3	0.95	B++	3.67
Portland General Electric	3	0.90	B++	3.67
	2.6	0.94	B++	3.70

RISK INDICATORS

	GROUP	VALUE LINE SAFETY	VALUE LINE BETA	VALUE LINE FIN STR
S & P's 500 Composite		2.4	1.04	B++
Proxy Group		2.6	0.94	B++

Sources: Value Line Investment Survey.

Definitions:

Safety rankings are in a range of 1 to 5, with 1 representing the highest safety or lowest risk.

Beta reflects the variability of a particular stock, relative to the market as a whole. A stock with a beta of 1.0 moves in concert with the market, a stock with a beta below 1.0 is less variable than the market, and a stock with a beta above 1.0 is more variable than the market.

Financial strengths range from C to A++, with the latter representing the highest level.