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Rayne Pearson, Administrative Law Judge  
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission  
1300 S. Evergreen Park Dr. S.W.  
P.O. Box 47250  
Olympia, Washington 98504-7250

RE: *WUTC v. Avista Corporation d/b/a Avista Utilities (General Rate Case)*  
Dockets UE-170485/UG-170486

Dear Judge Pearson:

This is to inform you that a multi-party partial settlement has been reached by Avista, Staff, Public Counsel, Northwest Industrial Gas Users, and The Energy Project (the “Settling Parties”) in these dockets on the issues of cost of service, rate spread, and rate design. The Settling Parties intend to file the settlement agreement, memorandum, and individual testimony in support of the settlement on Wednesday, November 1. All parties agree that the Industrial Customers of Northwest Utilities, so as not to be prejudiced by the timing of the settlement filing, should be allowed to file its responsive testimony addressing the limited issues of cost of service, rate spread, and rate design concurrent with the settlement filing on Wednesday, November 1. Accordingly, no party will address cost of service, rate spread, or rate design issues in the responsive testimony due this Friday, October 27.

Sincerely,

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