

August 25, 2005

VIA FIRST CLASS MAIL & ELECTRONIC FILING

Carole Washburn
Executive Secretary
Washington Utilities & Transportation Commission
1300 S. Evergreen Pk. Dr. S.W.
PO Box 47250
Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Re: Avista Electric & Gas GRC 2005
Docket Nos. UE-050482 & UG-050483

Dear Ms. Washburn:

Public Counsel's preferences, in order, for the date for a public comment hearing in Spokane are as follows:

October 11, 2005 – 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
October 14, 2005 – 12:00 noon – 2:00 p.m.
October 17, 2005 – 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Public Counsel requests that if an evening hearing is selected, it be scheduled for a start time of 6 p.m., or no earlier than 5 p.m., to make it more practical for people to attend after work. Public Counsel notes that the October 17 date conflicts with the start date for the evidentiary hearing in Olympia..

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Simon J. ffitc
Assistant Attorney General
Public Counsel Section
(206) 389-2055

SJf:cjw

cc: Service List (U.S. Mail & Electronic Mail)
ALJ Dennis Moss (Electronic Mail)
ALF Karen Caille (Electronic Mail)