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Carole J. Washburn, Secretary Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission 1300 S. Evergreen Park Dr. SW P. O. Box 47250 Olympia, Washington 98504-7250

Re: In the Matter of the Request of Avista Corp. d/b/a Avista Utilities for a General Rate

Increase

Docket No. UE-050482/UG-050483

Dear Ms. Washburn:

Order No. 04, paragraphs 10 and 11, list three alternative public hearing dates and request that the parties inform the Commission of their preferences. Staff's preferences (in order of preference) are as follows: 1. October 11, 2005, 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. hearing; 2. October 14, 2005, 12:00 noon to 2:00 p.m.; 3. October 17, 2005, 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Staff notes that the October 17 public hearing conflicts with the first day of the hearing on the settlement. For that reason, Staff would prefer that the hearing not occur on this date. Thanks.

Sincerely,

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CS:tmw Enclosures

cc: Judge Caille, Judge Moss