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RE: *In the Matter of the Revisions to Tariff WN U-28 and WN U-29 of Avista Corp. d/b/a Avista Utils. For Proposed New Tariff Revisions, Electric Schedule 80, and Natural Gas Schedule 180, Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) Non-Communicating Meter, Dockets UE-180418 & UG-180419*

TO ALL PARTIES:

On July 30, 2018, the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) entered Order 01, Allowing Tariff Revisions to Go into Effect Subject to Condition (Order 01). Order 01 approved tariff revisions that implemented the terms and conditions of Avista Corporation's, d/b/a Avista Utilities, (Avista or Company) advanced metering infrastructure (AMI) pilot program. Order 01, among other things, required Avista to file biannual status reports beginning March 1, 2019, on "the number of customers who elect to opt-out of [AMI] and the actual costs incurred from manual meter reading, as well as any other unanticipated issues."¹ The final report on the program was scheduled for September 2020.

On November 30, 2020, Avista filed its fourth biannual status report related to the Company's AMI pilot program (Report). On December 15, 2020, Commission staff (Staff) filed a letter stating that Staff believes that the Report complies with the requirements of Order 01. Staff further states that while this report was initially intended to be the final report, Avista has agreed to file one further report due to delays in the project completion schedule caused by the COVID-19 pandemic.

The Commission has reviewed the Report and acknowledges that it meets the reporting requirements of Order 01. The Commission directs Avista to file its final report no later than September 30, 2021.

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Executive Director and Secretary

¹ Order 01, ¶ 14.