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Docket N	os. UE-991606, UG-991607
Witness:	Richard J. Lurito, Ph.D.

BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION,	
Complainant,	
v.) DOCKET NOs. UE-991606, UG-991607
AVISTA CORPORATION,	
Respondent.)) _)

QUALIFICATIONS AND EXPERIENCE

OF

RICHARD J. LURITO, Ph.D.

ON BEHALF OF WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

May 5, 2000

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QUALIFICATIONS

2	Q.	Please state your name and occupation.
3	A.	My name is Richard J. Lurito. I am president of Commonwealth Consulting Group,
4		Inc., with offices in McLean, Virginia.
5	Q.	Please outline your education and experience.
6	A.	I received a Bachelor of Arts degree in Economics from the University of Illinois in
7		1958 and a Ph.D. degree from Georgetown University in Economics in 1969. My
8		doctoral dissertation treated the measurement of economies of scale in production.
9		During my graduate study, I was awarded Fellowships by Georgetown University, the
10		Relm Foundation, the H.B. Earhart Foundation and the American Enterprise Institute.
11		I was an instructor in Economics at Georgetown from 1967-1969 and an Assistant
12		Professor from 1970-1973. For two years, I taught Economic Theory, Labor
13		Economics, Statistics, Industrial Organization, and Government Regulation of
14		Business.
15		In July, 1971 I took a leave of absence from Georgetown to become Deputy

In July, 1971 I took a leave of absence from Georgetown to become Deputy Economic Counselor to the Administrator of the General Services Administration (GSA). In February, 1972 I was promoted to Acting Economic Counselor, a position I held until I joined Commonwealth Consulting Group, Inc. in October, 1972. As Acting Economic Counselor, it was my responsibility to advise the Administrator of GSA on economic matters affecting all aspects of G SA's operations. Typical of the issues I dealt with were the economics of the construction-lease alternative, the

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1	appropriate level of the social rate of discount, alternative Government procurement
2	policies or regulations to save costs, and regulatory policies to improve competition.
3	was the GSA representative to the Cabinet Committee on Construction, the
4	Interagency Committee on Construction, and the Government Regulations and
5	Purchasing Review Board.
6	I served as economic consultant to the Department of Health, Education, and
7	Welfare, to the General Services Administration, and to several law firms dealing with
8	international economic issues and problems, labor economics, industry economic
9	analysis, and the economics of human capital. Among the issues and problems I have
10	dealt within this connection were:
11	1. An evaluation of the WIN (Work Incentive) Program.
12	2. Analyses of the effects of U.S. foreign trade policy on American
13	industry.
14	3. An analysis of minimum wage-hour legislation.
15	4. Assembly of information inputs into a computerized retrieval system of
16	anti-trust law and economics.
17	Since joining Commonwealth Consulting Group, Inc., I have been involved in
18	the preparation of financial and economic studies concerning various aspects of utility
19	rate regulation: fair rate of return, the design of utility rates for various rate

classifications, and the broad subject of cost allocation. I have testified in the District

of Columbia and the states of Connecticut, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, New Jersey,

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- New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Tennessee, and Washington as well as before the
- 2 Federal Communications Commission, the Canadian National Energy Board, and the
- 3 Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.
- 4 Q. Would you provide a list of the cases in which you have testified in the area of
- 5 **public utility economics.**
- 6 A. Yes. See attached Table.

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8/73	1	C&P Telephone Of D.C.	D.C.	People's Counsel	F.C. #595
7/74	18	Carolina Power & Light	North Carolina	North Carolina PUC	#E-2 SUB 229/234
6/75	1	New England Telephone	Maine	Public Utilities Comm.	F.C. 2090
2/76	18	Ohio Bell	Ohio	Cities	74-761-TP-AIR
1/77	3	Western Union	FCC	Western Union	20847
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7/77	10	Consolidated Edison	New York	Owners Comm. Elec. Rates	
10/77	1	Southwestern Electric Power Co		Louisiana	Public Service Commission U-13217
2/78	1	Potomac Electric Power Co.	Maryland	People's Counsel	7149
3/78	1	South Central Bell Telephone	Louisiana	Public Service Commission	U-13388
7/78	1	Westcoast Transmission Co.	British Columbia	BC Hydro Power Authority	-
9/78	3	Western Union (TWX-TELEX)	ECC	Western Union	78-97
10/78	1-15	Delmarva Power & Light	Maryland	People's Counsel	7236
10/78	1-15	Gulf States Utilities	Louisiana	Public Service Commission	
5/79	10	Jersey Central Power & Light	FERC	New Jersey Boroughs	ER-79-112
5/79	15	Potomac Electric Power Co.	Maryland	People's Counsel	7300(II)
8/79	1	Potomac Edison	Maryland	People's Counsel	7338
8/79	10	New Jersey Bell Telephone	New Jersey	Board of Public Utilities	7711-1135(II)
10/79	1	Louisiana Power & Light	Louisiana	Public Service Commission	` ,
11/79	1	Delmarva Power & Light	Maryland	People's Counsel	7363
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	1		Louisiana	Public Service Commission	
2/80	1	Potomac Electric Power Co.	Maryland	People's Counsel	7384
2/80	1	Baltimore Gas & Electric	Maryland	People's Counsel	7397
3/80	3	Middle South Services, Inc.	FERC	Louisiana PSC	ER79-277
3/80	1	South Central Bell	Tennessee	Public Service Commission	u U-6878
4/80	1	Southwestern Electric Power	Louisiana	Public Service Commission	u U-14250
6/80	1	Central Maine Power	Maine	Public Utilities Comm.	80-25
8/80	1	Delmarva Power & Light	Maryland	People's Counsel	7427
9/80	1	Gulf States Utilities	Louisiana	Public Service Commission	u-14444/14495
10/80	1	Northwest Natural Gas	Washington	Utilities & Trans. Comm.	U-80-30
10/80	1	C&P Telephone of Maryland	Maryland	People's Counsel	7467
10/80	1	Washington Gas Light	Maryland	People's Counsel	7466
12/80	1	General Telphone of N.W.	Washington	Utilities & Trans. Comm.	U-80-38
12/80	1	South Central Bell	Louisiana	Public Service Commission	n U-14673
1/81	1	Central Louisiana Electric Co.	Louisiana	Public Service Commission	n U-14648

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4/81	1	Louisiana Power & Light	Louisiana	Public Service Commission	u U-14690
6/81	1	Northwestern Bell Telephone	Minnesota	Public Service Commission	
6/81	1	Washington Natural Gas	Washington	Utilities & Trans. Comm.	U-80-111
7/81	10	C&P Telephone of Maryland	Maryland	People's Counsel	7435
7/81	1	Columbia Gas of Maryland	Maryland	People's Counsel	7545
8/81	3	Western Union	FCC	Western Union	78-97
9/81	1	Pacific Power & Light	Washington	Utilities & Trans. Comm	U-81-17
10/81	1	Delmarva Power & Light	Maryland	People's Counsel	7570
11/81	1	Conowingo Power	Maryland	People's Counsel	7589
11/81	1	Washington Gas Light	Maryland	People's Counsel	7585
11/81	1	Puget Sound Power & Light	Washington	Utilities & Trans. Comm.	U-81-41
11/81	1	Baltimore Gas & Electric	Maryland	People's Counsel	7574
12/81	1	C&P Telephone of Maryland	Maryland	People's Counsel	7591
12/81	1	Central Maine Power	Maine	Public Utilities Comm.	81-206
2/82	1	Potomac Electric Power Co.	Maryland	People's Counsel	7597

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3/82	1	Potomac Edison	Maryland	People's Counsel	7604
3/82	1	Southwestern Electric Power	Louisiana	Public Service Commission	
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6/82	1-4	Choptank Electric Cooperative	Maryland	People's Counsel	7632
6/82	1	Central Louisiana Electric	Louisiana	Public Service Commission	u-15297
7/82	1	Gulf States Utilities	Louisiana	Public Service Commission	u-15271
8/82	1	Washington Gas Light	Maryland	People's Counsel	7639
8/82	1	Washington Water Power	Washington	Utilities & Trans. Comm.	U-82-10/11
9/82	1	Delmarva Power & Light	Maryland	People's Counsel	7643
10/82	3	Philadelphia Electric Co.	FERC	People's Counsel	ER82-318-001
11/82	1	C&P Telephone of Maryland	Maryland	People's Counsel	7661
11/82	1	New England Tel. & Tel.	Maine	Public Utilities Comm.	82-124
11/82	1	Potomac Electric Power Co.	Maryland	People's Counsel	7662
1/83	3	Middle South Energy, Inc.	FERC	Louisiana PSC	ER82-616-000
1/83	1	South Central Bell	Louisiana	Public Service Commission	
3/83	1	Baltimore Gas & Electric	Maryland	People's Counsel	7695

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4/83	1-11	Puget Sound Power & Light	Washington	Utilities & Trans. Comm	U-82-38
4/83	3	Middle South Services, Inc.	FERC	Louisiana PSC	ER82-483-000
6/83	1	Central Maine Power	Maine	Public Utilities Comm.	82-266
8/83	1-11	Central Louisiana Electric Co.	Louisiana	Public Service Commission	u U-15622
8/83	3	Southern Company Services, Inc	c FERC	Louisiana PSC	ER82-579-000
9/83	1	Delmarva Power & Light Co.	Maryland	People's Counsel	7734
9/83	11	Washington Water Power Co.	Washington	Utilities & Trans. Comm.	U-83-26
9/83	1-11	Gulf States Utilities Co.	Louisiana	Public Service Commission	n U-15640/U-15641
10/83	1	C&P Telephone of Maryland	Maryland	People's Counsel	7735
11/83	1-11	New Orleans Public Service	Louisiana	Public Service Commission	n U-15689
11/83	1-11	Louisiana Power & Light	Louisiana	Public Service Commission	n U-15684
2/84	1	New England Telephone	Maine	Public Utilities Comm.	83-213
3/84	1	Baltimore Gas & Electric	Minnesota	People's Counsel	7770
4/84	1	South Central Bell Telephone	Louisiana	Public Service Commission	
9/84	1	Delmarva Power & Light	Maryland	People's Counsel	7829

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9/84	1-8-20	Washington Water Power	Washington	Utilities & Trans. Comm.	U-84-28
10/84	. 12	Gulf States Utilities	Louisiana	Public Service Commission	u U-16038/U-16039
12/84	1	Washington Natural Gas	Washington	Utilities & Trans. Comm.	U-84-60
12/84	1	Central Maine Power Co.	Maine	Public Utilities Comm.	84-120
12/84	1	South Central Bell	Tennessee	Public Service Commission	u U-84-7315
1/85	1	Louisiana Power & Light	Louisiana	Public Service Commission	u U-16091
1/85	1	New Orleans Public Service	Louisiana	Public Service Commission	u U-16092
2/85	1	Pacific Power & Light Co.	Washington	Utilities & Trans. Comm.	U-84-65
3/85	1	C&P Telephone of Maryland	Maryland	People's Counsel	7851
6/85	1	Potomac Edison	Maryland	People's Counsel	7878
1/86	1	Central Louisiana Electric Co.	Louisiana	Public Service Commission	u-16510
2/86	1	Connecticut Light & Power	Connecticut	Dept. of Pub. Util. Control	85-10-22
3/86	1	Washington Gas Light	D.C.	People's Counsel	F.C. #840
4/86	1	Central Maine Power	Maine	Public Utilities Comm.	85-212

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5/86	1	AT&T - Maryland	Maryland	People's Counsel	7941
6/86	1	Pacific Power & Light	Washington	Util. & Trans. Comm.	U-86-02
11/86	1	Conowingo Power Co.	Maryland	People's Counsel	7982
12/86	1 .	Washington Water Power	Washington	Util. & Trans. Comm.	U-86-99
12/86	1	Baltimore Gas & Electric	Maryland	People's Counsel	7973
1/87	1	Potomac Electric Power Co.	Maryland	People's Counsel	7972
1/87	20	Washington Refuse Industry	Washington	Util. & Trans. Comm.	TG-2016
3/89	1	Baltimore Gas & Electric	Maryland	People's Counsel	8190
4/89	1	GTNW	Washington	WUTC	U-88-2438,2443
7/89	1	Baltimore Gas & Electric	Maryland	People's Counsel	8208
8/89	1	Central Maine Power	Maine	Public Utilities Comm.	89-68
9/89	1	Puget Sound Power & Light	Washington	Util. & Trans. Comm.	U-89-2688-T
11/89	1	Bell Telephone System (LECs)	F.C.C.	MCI Communications	CC #87-463
1/90	1	General Telephone of Northwes	stWashington	Util. & Trans. Comm.	U-89-3031-P
9/90	1	Central Maine Power	Maine	Public Utilities Comm.	90-076

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6/91	1	Bangor Hydro Electric	Maine	Public Utilities Comm.	91-010
6/92	8	Central Maine Power Co.	Maine	Public Utilities Comm.	92-102
8/92	1	C&P Telephone of Maryland	Maryland	People's Counsel	8462
9/92	1	Maine Public Service	Maine	Public Utilities Comm.	92-101
4/93	1	Washington Natural Gas	Washington	Util. & Trans. Comm.	UG-920840
5/93	1	Puget Sound Power & Light	Washington	Util. & Trans. Comm.	UE-921262
5/93	1	Central Maine Power Co.	Maine	Public Utilities Comm.	92-345
3/96	1	Northwest Pipeline Corp.	Washington	Util. & Trans. Comm.	RP95-409