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Attention: Mr. Steven King, Executive Director and Secretary

Docket Nos. UE-170327 and UG-170328 RE:

Avista Corporation's Accounting Petition for an Order Authorizing Deferred Accounting Treatment related to the Company's Investment in Advanced Metering Infrastructure and Approval of Depreciation Rate

Dear Mr. King,

As requested by Commissioner Rendahl at the September 15, 2017 WUTC Open Meeting, please find attached the letter to Avista from Mr. John Spanos, of Gannett Fleming Valuation and Rate Consultants, LLC, relating to the depreciable life of Avista's Meter Data Management system.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Liz Andrews

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Senior Manager, Revenue Requirements

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