

**AVISTA CORP.
RESPONSE TO REQUEST FOR INFORMATION**

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REQUEST:

On an electronic spreadsheet with formulae intact, please provide Avista's Washington jurisdictional actual return on equity; actual capital structure; authorized return on equity; and authorized capital structure for the years 2001 through 2014 and detailing both electric and natural gas operations on a jurisdictional basis. If 2014 is not yet available, please provide it once it becomes available.

RESPONSE:

Please see ICNU_DR_029-Attachment A.

	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
	(Note 1)	(Note 1)	(Note 1)	(Note 1)	(Note 1)	(Note 1)	Revised	Revised	Revised	Revised				
WA Electric Net Rate Base	646,843	687,007	730,256	755,305	810,771	869,589	889,684	943,252	1,014,362	1,059,102	1,123,910	1,165,909	1,226,145	1,258,954
Equity Percentage	30.84%	36.01%	36.46%	36.35%	37.07%	42.67%	39.20%	46.09%	46.18%	45.91%	47.73%	47.12%	46.27%	47.09%
Equity Portion of Net Rate Base	199,460	247,369	266,217	274,551	300,592	371,054	348,756	434,745	468,432	486,234	536,442	549,376	567,337	592,841
WA Electric Operating Income	60,095	73,278	70,937	65,515	64,542	71,500	63,582	67,975	73,182	80,817	75,832	81,527	97,958	104,183
Interest Expense per Restate Debt	53,295	51,727	46,580	45,413	47,483	39,149	41,352	34,391	33,948	33,996	33,022	35,222	36,662	35,817
WA Electric Earnings	6,800	21,551	24,357	20,102	17,059	32,351	22,230	33,584	39,234	46,821	42,812	46,305	61,296	68,366
WA Electric ROE	3.409%	8.712%	9.149%	7.322%	5.675%	8.719%	6.374%	7.725%	8.376%	9.629%	7.981%	8.429%	10.804%	11.532%
Weight	82.55%	83.36%	84.17%	84.88%	85.59%	85.66%	85.45%	84.64%	84.76%	84.84%	85.11%	84.87%	84.82%	84.21%
WA Electric Weighted ROE	2.81%	7.26%	7.70%	6.21%	4.86%	7.47%	5.45%	6.54%	7.10%	8.17%	6.79%	7.15%	9.16%	9.71%
WA Gas Net Rate Base	136,725	137,164	137,374	134,579	136,531	145,589	151,506	171,128	182,388	189,278	196,579	207,913	219,469	236,050
Equity Percentage	30.84%	36.01%	36.46%	36.35%	37.07%	42.67%	39.20%	46.09%	46.18%	45.91%	47.73%	47.12%	46.27%	47.09%
Equity Portion of Net Rate Base	42,160	49,388	50,080	48,919	50,619	62,123	59,390	78,873	84,227	86,898	93,827	97,969	101,548	111,156
WA Gas Operating Income	8,694	7,990	7,051	6,871	9,976	10,992	11,064	12,727	12,148	9,523	12,577	10,351	14,304	13,176
Interest Expense per Restate Debt	9,865	9,823	8,558	7,881	8,023	6,554	7,041	6,239	6,588	6,075	5,775	6,281	6,562	6,716
WA Gas Earnings	(1,171)	(1,833)	(1,507)	(1,010)	1,953	4,438	4,023	6,488	5,560	3,448	6,802	4,070	7,742	6,460
WA Gas ROE	-2.777%	-3.711%	-3.009%	-2.065%	3.858%	7.144%	6.774%	8.226%	6.601%	3.968%	7.250%	4.154%	7.624%	5.812%
Weight	17.45%	16.64%	15.83%	15.12%	14.41%	14.34%	14.55%	15.36%	15.24%	15.16%	14.89%	15.13%	15.18%	15.79%
WA Gas Weighted ROE	-0.48%	-0.62%	-0.48%	-0.31%	0.56%	1.02%	0.99%	1.26%	1.01%	0.60%	1.08%	0.63%	1.16%	0.92%
WA Electric and Gas Weighted ROE	2.33%	6.64%	7.22%	5.90%	5.41%	8.49%	6.43%	7.80%	8.11%	8.77%	7.87%	7.78%	10.32%	10.63%
Authorized ROE	11.16%	11.16%	11.16%	11.16%	11.16%	10.40%	10.40%	10.20%	10.20%	10.20%	10.20%	10.20%	9.80%	9.80%
Actual Capital Structure														
Equity %	30.84%	36.01%	36.46%	36.35%	37.07%	42.67%	39.20%	46.09%	46.18%	45.91%	47.73%	47.12%	46.27%	47.09%
Debt and Preferred Equity %	69.16%	63.99%	63.54%	63.65%	62.93%	57.33%	60.80%	53.91%	53.82%	54.09%	52.27%	52.88%	53.73%	52.91%
Total	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%
Authorized Capital Structure														
Equity %	42.00%	42.00%	42.00%	42.00%	42.00%	40.00%	40.00%	46.00%	46.30%	46.50%	46.50%	46.50%	47.00%	47.00%
Debt and Preferred Equity %	58.00%	58.00%	58.00%	58.00%	58.00%	60.00%	60.00%	54.00%	53.70%	53.50%	53.50%	53.50%	53.00%	53.00%
Total	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%
Notes:														
1) The actual capital structure was computed in 2006 and prior years as follows: Equity represents Common Stock + Retained Earnings + Misc. Paid in Capital - Investment in Subsidiaries. The equity % is computed by dividing equity by actual rate base. The Debt % equals 100% - Equity %														
2) From 2007 through 2010, the ROE was originally calculated as described above in Note 1. In 2011, the Company used a revised method to compute actual capital structure. Total equity plus total outstanding debt, on an AMA basis, was used to compute capital structure. The Company revised the 2007 through 2010 computation of ROE to be comparable to 2011 forward.														

	<u>2000</u>	<u>2001</u>	<u>2002</u>	<u>2003</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>2006</u>
Per F&O:							
Common Stock	610,740,598	617,737,209	623,091,720	626,787,347	629,055,981	631,083,752	722,039,406
Misc. Paid in Capital:							
FERC 214040	-	-	(279,539)	(361,578)	(517,015)	(866,039)	(2,069,227)
FERC 214050	-	-					(3,092,121)
FERC 214870	2,089,391	2,089,391	2,089,391	1,334,005	1,334,005	1,334,005	1,334,005
Retained Earnings	132,941,919	134,184,776	125,693,870	145,877,751	155,853,981	173,828,813	219,191,370
Less: Investment in Subsidiaries	361,836,801	350,746,583	256,737,740	255,904,487	257,247,706	237,737,798	247,190,561
Total Utility Equity	<u>379,756,325</u>	<u>399,086,011</u>	<u>490,237,998</u>	<u>515,788,184</u>	<u>526,845,266</u>	<u>566,706,801</u>	<u>697,867,558</u>
Rate Base:							
WA Electric	699,309,839	646,843,355	687,006,674	730,256,134	755,304,719	810,771,234	869,588,578
ID Electric	374,591,358	368,629,518	395,799,521	404,964,936	422,129,508	448,378,967	473,566,409
WA Gas	132,088,794	136,425,294	137,163,614	137,373,701	134,579,367	136,530,674	145,589,249
ID Gas	61,839,183	63,297,754	63,145,090	63,012,806	61,957,785	62,992,467	67,905,832
Gas South	77,069,877	79,030,226	78,403,613	79,244,202	75,409,666	69,873,986	79,030,462
	<u>1,344,899,051</u>	<u>1,294,226,147</u>	<u>1,361,518,512</u>	<u>1,414,851,779</u>	<u>1,449,381,045</u>	<u>1,528,547,328</u>	<u>1,635,680,530</u>