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REQUEST:

Please provide all supporting data, analyses, and reports relied upon to forecast \$9.3 million in Operations and Maintenance ("O&M") for Covote Springs 2 in the 2016 pro-forma period as detailed in Exh. No. WGJ-2.

RESPONSE:

Please see Avista's CONFIDENTIAL response to data request No. ICNU - 177C. Please note that Avista's response to ICNU – 177C is Confidential per Protective Order in UTC Dockets UE-150204 and UG-150205.

The \$9.3 million total Operations and Maintenance ("O&M") for Coyote Springs 2 in the 2016 pro-forma period is based on planned costs. The net increase above the test period (12ME 09.2014) level of expense of \$5.9 million is mainly due to the Hot Gas Path (HGP) maintenance planned for 2016 of \$3.5 million (system). A HGP major maintenance occurs on an approximate four-year cycle based on required hours of operation. The prior HGP maintenance occurred in 2012. The Company plans to reach the hours of operations requiring the HGP maintenance in 2016.

See the Confidential attachment ICNU DR 177C-Confidential Attachment A for a recap of the Hot Gas Path maintenance cost of \$3.5 million.

See also attachment ICNU DR 177-Attachment C for the GE Energy "Heavy-Duty Gas Turbine Operating and Maintenance Considerations" manual discussing the HGP maintenance and inspection intervals.

Included as ICNU DR 177-Attachment A is the monthly transaction history for the test period (12ME 09.2014) previously provided with Mr. Johnson and Ms. Smith workpapers. Included as ICNU DR 177-Attachment B is the monthly transaction detail for the 2016 monthly maintenance previously provided with Mr. Johnson and Ms. Smith workpapers.