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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." 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. On December 15, 2020, Commission staff (Staff) filed a letter stating that Staff believes that the Report complied with the requirements of Order 01. Staff further stated that while the fourth report was initially intended to be the final report, Avista had agreed to file one further report due to delays in the project completion schedule caused by the COVID-19 pandemic.

On September 30, 2021, Avista filed its fifth and final report (Report).

On October 1, 2021, Staff filed a letter stating that Staff believes that the Report fully complies with the expectations of Order 01.

¹ Order 01, ¶ 14.

The Commission has reviewed the Report and acknowledges that it meets the reporting requirements of Order 01.

AMANDA MAXWELL Executive Director and Secretary