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Witness: Betty A. Erdahl

# BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION,

DOCKETS UE-170485 and UG-170486 (Consolidated)

Complainant,

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AVISTA CORPORATION d/b/a AVISTA UTILITIES,

Respondent.

### EXHIBIT TO TESTIMONY OF

**BETTY A. ERDAHL** 

ON BEHALF OF STAFF OF WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

Avista Response to Staff Data Requests No. 246

October 27, 2017

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# AVISTA CORP. RESPONSE TO REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

JURISDICTION: WASHINGTON DATE PREPARED: 09/29/2017

CASE NO.: UE-170485 & UG-170486 WITNESS: Elizabeth Andrews

REQUESTER: UTC Staff-Erdahl RESPONDER: Jeanne Pluth

TYPE: Data Request DEPT: State & Federal Regulation

REQUEST NO.: Staff - 246 TELEPHONE: (509) 495-2204

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### **REQUEST:**

### **Investor Supplied Working Capital**

Please explain and provide documentation of how Idaho requires Avista to address FERC Account 229000 Accumulated Provision – Rate R ED ID of \$2,047,956 (AMA amount for year ended December 31, 2016) for the working capital calculation.

#### **RESPONSE:**

The Company is not required to accrue interest on the Idaho earnings test liability. Therefore, the Company has included this liability in operating investments for Idaho working capital. Idaho Staff has reviewed and accepted this account assignment in every general rate case. The earnings test in Idaho was established through a settlement, and therefore, was not specifically addressed in the order.