

BEFORE THE  
WASHINGTON UTILITIES & TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

DOCKET NO. UE-991606

EXHIBIT NO. \_\_\_\_ (KON-13)

WITNESS: KELLY O. NORWOOD, AVISTA CORP

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RESPONSE TO DATA REQUEST

DATE PREPARED:	5/18/2000	WITNESS:	Alan Buckley
CASE NO.:	UE-991606	RESPONDER:	Alan Buckley
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REQUESTER:	Avista		

**REQUEST NO. 11:**

At the bottom of Page 10 of Mr. Buckley's testimony he states "the use of the later forecast is appropriate." Please explain Staff's position regarding the time period, during the rate case proceeding, that updated information should be included in the case. Please provide copies of excerpts of the RCWs, WACs, Commission orders and any other written Commission rule or policy relied upon by Staff in its response to this request.

**RESPONSE:**

Staff objects to this request to the extent that it asks for a legal conclusion to which no response is required. However, without waiving objection, Staff responds as follows:

Staff is using the same power supply proforma period as the Company- July 1, 2000 through June 30, 2001. Staff believes updates to "known and measurable" factors such as contract prices or other cost changes that affect power supply expenses are appropriate up to a period that adequate discovery can be accomplished and incorporated into the record.