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Docket No. UE-991606
Docket No. UG-991607
Witness: Donald W. Schoenbeck

**BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION
COMMISSION**

Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission,)	
)	
Complainant,)	DOCKET NO. UE-991606
)	
vs.)	DOCKET NO. UG-991607
)	
Avista Corporation,)	
)	
Respondent)	
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**EXHIBIT OF
DIRECT TESTIMONY OF
DONALD W. SCHOENBECK
ON BEHALF OF THE
INDUSTRIAL CUSTOMERS OF NORTHWEST UTILITIES**

DATED: MAY 5, 2000

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**QUALIFICATIONS AND BACKGROUND
OF
DONALD W. SCHOENBECK**

Q. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND BUSINESS ADDRESS.

A. Donald W. Schoenbeck, 900 Washington Street, Suite 1000, Vancouver, Washington
98660.

Q. PLEASE STATE YOUR OCCUPATION.

A. I am a consultant in the field of public utility regulation and I am a member of
Regulatory & Cogeneration Services, Inc. (RCS).

**Q. PLEASE SUMMARIZE YOUR EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND AND
EXPERIENCE.**

A. I have a Bachelor of Science Degree in Electrical Engineering from the University of
Kansas and a Master of Science Degree in Engineering Management from the University
of Missouri.

From June of 1972 until June of 1980, I was employed by Union Electric Company in the
Transmission and Distribution, Rates, and Corporate Planning functions. In the
Transmission and Distribution function, I had various areas of responsibility, including
load management, budget proposals and special studies. While in the Rates function, I

worked on rate design studies, filings and exhibits for several regulatory jurisdictions. In Corporate Planning, I was responsible for the development and maintenance of computer models used to simulate the Company's financial and economic operations.

In June of 1980, I joined the national consulting firm of Drazen-Brubaker & Associates, Inc. Since that time, I have participated in the analysis of various utilities for power cost forecasts, avoided cost pricing, contract negotiations for gas and electric services, siting and licensing proceedings, and rate case purposes including revenue requirement determination, class cost-of-service and rate design.

In April 1988, I formed RCS. RCS provides consulting services in the field of public utility regulation to many clients, including large industrial and institutional customers. We also assist in the negotiation of contracts for utility services for large users. In general, we are engaged in regulatory consulting, rate work, feasibility, economic and cost-of-service studies, design of rates for utility service and contract negotiations.

Q. IN WHICH JURISDICTIONS HAVE YOU TESTIFIED AS AN EXPERT WITNESS REGARDING UTILITY COST AND RATE MATTERS?

A. I have testified as an expert witness in rate proceedings before commissions in the states of Alaska, Arizona, California, Delaware, Idaho, Illinois, Montana, Nevada, North Carolina, Ohio, Oregon, Washington, Wisconsin and Wyoming. In addition, I have

presented testimony before the Bonneville Power Administration, the National Energy Board of Canada, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, publicly-owned utility boards and in court proceedings in the States of Washington, Oregon and California.