AVISTA CORP. RESPONSE TO REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

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REQUEST:

Is it correct that Avista has not proposed any dynamic pricing, time of use, or demand response program in its AMI business case? Provide any internal analysis or evaluation of customer interest in or response to any of these potential programs and describe why none of these programs have been proposed or described in the Company's AMI business case.

RESPONSE:

Avista has not proposed new pricing mechanisms in its advanced metering business case. The Company has not conducted any analysis, nor sought customer interest, regarding potential new pricing programs that would be enabled by advanced metering. As stated in the Company's response to Staff-092, the Company does not have plans to institute time of use rates in the State of Washington in the near term. However, advanced metering is an enabling technology required for time of use rates, should market conditions change and time of use or dynamic rates be called for.