

**Exhibit No. MC-13
Dockets UE-160228/UG-160229
Witness: Melissa Cheesman**

**BEFORE THE WASHINGTON
UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

**WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND
TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION,**

Complainant,

v.

**AVISTA CORPORATION d/b/a
AVISTA UTILITIES,**

Respondent.

**DOCKETS UE-160228 and
UG-160229 (*Consolidated*)**

**EXHIBIT TO
TESTIMONY OF**

MELISSA CHEESMAN

**STAFF OF
WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND
TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

Avista's Response to Staff Data Request 134 and 135

August 17, 2016

**AVISTA CORP.
RESPONSE TO REQUEST FOR INFORMATION**

JURISDICTION:	WASHINGTON	DATE PREPARED:	07/13/2016
CASE NO.:	UE-160228 & UG-160229	WITNESS:	Jennifer Smith
REQUESTER:	UTC Staff - Cheesman	RESPONDER:	Annette Brandon
TYPE:	Data Request	DEPT:	State & Federal Regulation
REQUEST NO.:	Staff – 134	TELEPHONE:	509-495-4324
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REQUEST:

Referring to Jennifer Smith's work papers, "Pipeline Safety Position Adjustment.xlsx" and "RP-1173 Resource Justification 1 05 16.docx," has the company hired for any of the positions identified in these work papers? If yes, please identify the positions hired.

RESPONSE:

The Pipeline Safety Planning Manager position is currently being filled by an existing employee as part of a year-long developmental opportunity rotation. We anticipate this position will be filled with a permanent employee Q2 2017.

The Damage Prevention Administrator has been approved by Management and is currently in the interview and hiring stage. We anticipate this position will be filled by the end of August, 2016. This position was approved with a salary of up to \$86,500.

The QA/QC Program Administrator (Manager) position is anticipated to be filled Q1 2017.

The Washington/Idaho Inspector was hired by the Company in June of 2016. This is a union position with a contracted rate of \$34.37 per hour (approximately \$71,500 annually).

Expenses related to the Oregon Inspector positions were hired in April 2016, however, are not included in this case.

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REQUEST:

If yes to the previous question, please provide the actual annual base salary for each newly-filled position

RESPONSE:

Please see the Company's response to Staff_DR_134.