

October 31, 2006

**NOTICE OF TELEPHONIC PREHEARING CONFERENCE**  
**(Set for November 2, 2006, 1:30 p.m.)**

RE: *In the Matter of the Petition of Avista Corporation d/b/a Avista Utilities for an Order Authorizing Implementation of a Natural Gas Decoupling Mechanism and to Record Accounting Entries Associated with the Mechanism,*  
Docket UG-060518

TO ALL PARTIES:

On October 27, 2006, the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) received a proposed joint settlement agreement by Avista, Commission Staff, NW Energy Coalition, and Northwest Industrial Gas Users. At the request of Avista, a telephonic prehearing conference is scheduled to discuss the procedural schedule.

**NOTICE IS GIVEN That a telephonic prehearing conference will be held at 1:30 p.m., on Thursday, November 2, 2006, in Room 108, First Floor, Chandler Plaza Building, 1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive S.W., Olympia, Washington. Parties may attend the prehearing conference via the Commission's teleconference bridge line, 360-664-3846. Please appear on the teleconference bridge five minutes before the conference is scheduled to begin.**

Sincerely,

C. ROBERT WALLIS  
Administrative Law Judge