

**BEFORE THE WASHINGTON  
UTILITIES & TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION,

Complainant,

v.

AVISTA CORPORATION d/b/a AVISTA UTILITIES

Respondent.

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DOCKETS UE-240006 & UG-240007 (Consolidated)

**DAVID J. GARRETT  
ON BEHALF OF THE  
WASHINGTON STATE OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL  
PUBLIC COUNSEL UNIT**

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**EXHIBIT DJG-15**

Competitive Industry Debt Ratios

**July 3, 2024**

# Competitive Industry Debt Ratios

Industry	# Firms	Debt Ratio
Air Transport	21	84%
Hotel/Gaming	69	82%
Hospitals/Healthcare Facilities	34	82%
Retail (Automotive)	30	78%
Brokerage & Investment Banking	30	76%
Computers/Peripherals	42	71%
Bank (Money Center)	7	68%
Cable TV	10	68%
Food Wholesalers	14	67%
Advertising	58	67%
Oil/Gas Distribution	23	66%
Rubber& Tires	3	65%
Transportation (Railroads)	4	65%
Real Estate (Operations & Services)	60	64%
Retail (Grocery and Food)	13	64%
Retail (Special Lines)	78	64%
Recreation	57	62%
Insurance (Life)	27	61%
Trucking	35	61%
Packaging & Container	25	61%
Power	48	60%
Telecom. Services	49	60%
Telecom (Wireless)	16	60%
R.E.I.T.	223	60%
Auto & Truck	31	59%
Utility (General)	15	59%
Household Products	127	58%
Office Equipment & Services	16	58%
Environmental & Waste Services	62	57%
Utility (Water)	16	57%
Retail (Distributors)	69	57%
Transportation	18	57%
Green & Renewable Energy	19	57%
Computer Services	80	56%
Broadcasting	26	56%
Retail (Online)	63	56%
Apparel	39	56%
Aerospace/Defense	77	56%
Paper/Forest Products	7	55%
Beverage (Soft)	31	55%
Farming/Agriculture	39	54%
Reinsurance	1	53%
Chemical (Diversified)	4	52%
Construction Supplies	49	52%
Retail (General)	15	52%
Business & Consumer Services	164	52%
Real Estate (Development)	18	51%
Furn/Home Furnishings	32	51%
<b>Total / Average</b>	<b>1,994</b>	<b>61%</b>