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BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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Complainant,

v.

AVISTA CORPORATION d/b/a AVISTA UTILITIES,

Respondent.

DOCKETS UE-170485 and UG-170486 (Consolidated)

EXHIBIT TO TESTIMONY OF

Jennifer Snyder

STAFF OF WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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

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REQUEST:

Please provide examples of all marketing materials associated with the LEAP program in the test year. Confirm, and provide evidentiary support, that all marketing funds have been excluded from rates in compliance with WAC 480-90-223(1).

RESPONSE:

The Company has added information to its website, https://myavista.com/about-us/services-andresources/natural-gas, which explains how customers may qualify for the program and the number to call for additional information. Also, the Company has provided education on the program to HVAC dealers upon request, who have in turn done their own marketing regarding converting to natural gas, which may have mentioned the availability of the LEAP program.