## AVISTA CORP. RESPONSE TO REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

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## **REQUEST:**

Avista's Response to Public Counsel's Data Request No. 283, Attachment A and Mr. Hirschkorn's Exhibit No. (BJH-2) "Titus Evaluation Report".

- Please provide an explanation for the following discrepancy between Avista's reported results of a. its Idaho high efficiency furnace program in 2006:
  - Mr. Hirschkorn's Exhibit No. \_(BJH-2) ("Titus Report") at Table H3-B, p. 55, shows Avista estimated savings of 144,642 therms for the Idaho furnace program.
  - Avista's Response to the Public Counsel Data Request referenced above, at line ii. 5217, shows 31,104 therms as Avista reported savings from the Idaho furnace program.
- Please indicate what the correct amount of Avista reported therm savings should be from the high b. efficiency furnace program offered to Idaho customers in 2006.
- Please confirm that the amount shown in part (a)(i) of this question (144,642 therms) was included c. in Avista's "verified" therm savings for 2006 in the company's filing in Docket. No. UG-071863.
- If the company's response to part (c) of this question is affirmative, and if 144,642 therms is not d. the correct amount of savings from the Idaho furnace program in 2006, please indicate and provide an explanation as to what actions Avista intends to take, if any, to correct this error.

## **RESPONSE:**

- a) For the independent verification audit, the verifiers began with residential and limited income savings from the Triple-E report, since they were on a completed basis, and a query from our database for completed non-residential projects and worked backwards to selects a sample and then verify the savings. The 144,642 therms was a summarized amount that included residential natural gas high efficiency furnaces of 31,104 therms, natural gas high efficiency boilers of 360 therms and 113,178 therms for our multi-family direct install program (which are tracked in our non-residential database but are reported with our residential savings in our Triple-E report). In the Public Counsel data request 283, the Company downloaded savings from our residential database only, thereby missing those projects tracked in the non-residential database.
- b) For Idaho natural gas high efficiency furnace program, the savings specific to that program only were 31,104. For the summarized category that RIA audited that was referred to as furnaces included these natural gas high efficiency furnaces, natural gas high efficiency furnaces as well as multi-family HVAC/furnaces.
- c) The 144,642 therms were included in the verified therms savings of 2006 because the verifiers were verifying similar programs in that category—furnaces, boilers, multi-family furnaces/boilers.
- d) No further action will be taken.