**[Service Date October 15, 2012]**

October 15, 2012

**NOTICE SUSPENDING TESTIMONY FILING DEADLINE**

**AND**

**NOTICE OF TELEPHONIC PREHEARING CONFERENCE**

**(Set for Tuesday, October 16, 2012, at 9:30 a.m.)**

RE: *Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission v. Avista Corporation, d/b/a Avista Utilities, Dockets UE-120436 and UG-120437, and Dockets UE-110876 and UG-110877 (Second Phase) (Consolidated)*

TO PARTIES OF RECORD:

On October 15, 2012, the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission’s (Commission) regulatory staff (Staff) notified the Commission informally that it has reached a multi-party settlement agreement, in principle, on the issues raised in this matter. Staff requested, on behalf of the settling parties, that the Commission suspend the rebuttal and cross-answering testimony filing deadline, set for October 19, 2012. Staff also suggested that the Commission hold a telephonic prehearing conference to discuss a procedural schedule for consideration of the settlement agreement.

**THE COMMISSION GIVES NOTICE That the rebuttal and cross-answering testimony filing deadline, set for October 19, 2012, is suspended.**

**THE COMMISSION ALSO GIVES NOTICE That it will hold a telephonic prehearing conference in this matter at 9:30 a.m., on Tuesday, October 16, 2012, in Room 108, Richard Hemstad Building, 1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive S.W., Olympia, Washington. Parties may participate in the telephonic prehearing conference by calling the Commission’s bridge line at (360) 664-3846 approximately five (5) minutes before the prehearing conference is scheduled to convene.**

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Administrative Law Judge