

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION STAFF
RESPONSE TO DATA REQUEST

DATE PREPARED:	October 21, 2010	WITNESS:	Alan Buckley
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- 3.12 Referring to page 16, lines 6 through 8: Please provide the results of the Staff's review. Please also indicate if Staff has determined whether the events surrounding the outage were imprudent.

RESPONSE:

Staff reviewed Avista testimony and exhibits regarding the extended outage experienced at Colstrip 4. Staff made no recommendation to the Commission in regard to the specific prudence for the recovery of costs associated with the outage. The settlement only addresses the outage in the context of determining appropriate outage rates for purposes of determining normalized net power costs for ratemaking purposes. In addition, as part of the annual ERM review for the 2009 period, Staff made no recommended adjustments to ERM amounts based on the prudence of the actual outage itself.