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June 19, 2017

**NOTICE SOLICITING STAFF RESPONSE**

**and**

**NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY TO RESPOND**  
**(By Tuesday, June 27, 2017)**

RE: *In the Matter of Avista Corporation's Proposed Revisions to Tariff WN U-28, Power Cost Rate Adjustment Schedule 93*  
Docket UE-170484

TO ALL PARTIES:

On May 26, 2017, Avista Corporation (Avista or Company) filed proposed revisions to its currently effective Tariff WN U-28 Power Cost Rate Adjustment Schedule 93 in the above-referenced docket, which would increase billed revenues by approximately \$15 million effective September 1, 2017. The Company filed the proposed tariff revisions concurrently with its general rate case filing in Dockets UE-170485 and UG-170486.

On June 16, 2017, the Industrial Customers of Northwest Utilities (ICNU) filed a Motion to Dismiss; Alternative Motion to Consolidate with General Rate Case Filing (Motion). In its Motion, ICNU requests the Commission dismiss the Company's proposed tariff revisions, or, in the alternative, consolidate Docket UE-170484 with Avista's general rate case proceeding.

The Commission's procedural rules in WAC 480-07-375 contemplate that motions will be filed "in the context of an adjudicative proceeding." Thus, ICNU's motion is premature insofar as Docket UE-170484 is concerned. However, ICNU's motion concerning Docket UE-170484 may have implications in terms of Avista's general rate case, which has been noticed for a prehearing conference on June 30, 2017. Given that it may prove useful during the prehearing conference to discuss the potentially overlapping subject matter of these dockets, we will adopt the process described in WAC 480-07-380(1)(c) and permit any party or person seeking intervention in any of the three dockets to file a response to ICNU's motion within ten days after the motion was served.

By this Notice, the Commission requests Commission staff, and permits any other party or person, as identified above, to file a response indicating whether it supports or opposes ICNU's Motion no later than **5 p.m. on Tuesday, June 27, 2017.**

**THE COMMISSION GIVES NOTICE That Commission Staff should, and any other party may, file a response to ICNU's Motion to Dismiss no later than 5 p.m. on Tuesday, June 27, 2017.**

RAYNE PEARSON  
Administrative Law Judge