

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

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REQUEST:

Mr. Powell's testimony at p. 8, lines 1-2 states:

“Avista is in the process of developing a revised measurement and verification strategy for review in the fall 2009 Triple-E board and incorporation into the 2010 DSM Business Plan.”

- a. Describe the impetus behind the “revised measurement and verification strategy.” In addition, please describe the purpose and objectives of the “revised measurement and verification strategy.”
- b. Provide any and all documents, including but not limited to memos, workplans, presentations, or reports related to the development of the “revised measurement and verification strategy.”
- c. When does Avista anticipate this “revised measurement and verification strategy” will be developed by the company and ready to be shared with the Triple E board?
- d. Please consider this an ongoing request and provide any updates to the company's response during the course of this proceeding.

RESPONSE:

a. The purpose of the redefined policy is to improve the accessibility to measurement and evaluation documentation and transparency. This will include improvements to the DSM database to allow the tracking of measurement and evaluation plans, methodologies and field measurements. This replaces a manual system requiring a review of each individual project in order to respond to questions regarding measurement and evaluation status. These improvements are being driven by the increasing need to provide readily available documentation regarding energy savings and the means by which those energy savings were derived. Decoupling mechanisms and renewable portfolio standards requirements are the major drivers for the need for these enhancements.

b. Attached as “PC_DR_393-Attachment A.pdf” is a copy of the Company's current plan for measurement, evaluation and verification processes, including both present standards and the draft of policies in process. Included in the draft are examples of the individual program level measurement and evaluation guidelines that will be a part of the new plan. This is a living document which is under continual update as programs and measurement needs change. Due to the voluminous nature of this reports they are being provided in electronic format only.

c. The implementation of this strategy is in progress. It will continue to be updated as necessary to meet the needs of the DSM portfolio. The Triple E board has been and will continue to be advised of the status of the Company's measurement and evaluation strategy. The current measurement and evaluation planning document will be available for Triple E review at the fall 2009 meeting.

d. That is understood. Avista will provide updates in the event that any natural gas measurement and evaluation studies are completed prior to the closure of these proceedings.