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Public Utilities Commission of Oregon
Attn: Mr. Phil Boyle
550 Capital St N.E. Suite 215
Salem, Oregon 97308-2148

RE: Avista Initial Response to Docket No. AR 571

Dear Mr. Boyle,

Avista Corporation, dba Avista Utilities or (“Avista” and/or the “Company”), appreciates the opportunity to provide comments on the proposed Public Utilities Commission of Oregon (“Commission”) administrative rules relating to the retention period for dispute records. Avista Utilities provides natural gas distribution service in southwestern and northeastern Oregon. The Company serves approximately 96,000 customers in Oregon; of those 85,000 are residential customers.

Avista is in support of the proposed revisions to the rules relating to the retention period for dispute records filed in Docket No. AR 571 on May 10, 2013. The proposed revisions will not have an impact on the Company as it already has a policy in place to keep dispute records for a minimum of three years.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments related to the retention period for dispute records rulemaking. If you have any questions regarding this response me at (509) 475-4975.

Sincerely,

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