BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

OF OREGON

UG 325

In the Matter of the Application of:

AVISTA CORPORATION DBA AVISTA UTILITIES.

For a General Rate Revision

NORTHWEST INDUSTRIAL GAS USERS' NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST ISSUE FUND GRANT

Pursuant to OAR § 860-001-0120 and the Third Amended and Restated Intervenor Funding Agreement ("IFA"), approved by the Oregon Public Utility Commission ("Commission") in Order No. 15-335 on October 20, 2015, Northwest Industrial Gas Users ("NWIGU") hereby respectfully submit this Notice of Intent to Request an Issue Fund Grant in Docket No. UG 325. As required by the IFA, NWIGU asserts the following:

- 1. UG 325 is an Eligible Proceeding under the IFA. The IFA defines an Eligible Proceeding as "any Commission proceeding that directly affects one or more of the Participating Public Utilities." IFA, Section 1(c). UG 325 will directly affect Avista Corporation dba Avista Utilities ("Avista"), a Participating Public Utility under Section 1(k) of the IFA. Therefore, an Issue Fund Grant is permissible under Section 6.1 of the IFA.
- 2. As required by IFA Section 6.2, this Notice of Intent is being served on each affected Participating Public Utility, all pre-certified organizations, and all parties identified on the service list for UG 305.
- 3. NWIGU identifies the Avista Issue Fund Account as the account from which NWIGU intends to request the Issue Fund Grant. The amount of the request will depend on the availability of funds in that account when NWIGU submits a budget.

- 4. NWIGU has been precertified under Section 5.2 of the IFA and OAR § 860-001-0120(3) as eligible to receive an Issue Fund Grant.
 - 5. NWIGU will submit a budget in accordance with Section 6.3 of the IFA.

Dated this 23rd day of December 2016.

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