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**Docket No. UG-323/Advice No. 16-13-G (Tariff Changes to Rule 15, Gas Main Extensions)**

Public Utility Commission of Oregon  
201 High St SE  
Suite 100  
Salem, OR 97301

Attention: Filing Center

**Request to Withdraw Filing**

On August 29, 2016, Avista Corporation, dba Avista Utilities (“Avista” or “Company”) proposed changes to Rule 15 focused primarily on the level of allowance that Avista will contribute towards the cost of providing natural gas service to new customers.

Based on conversations with Commission Staff, Avista believes that further discussions related to the Company’s proposed methodology should be held. As such, Avista respectfully requests to withdraw its filing. Please direct any questions on this matter to Patrick Ehrbar at 509.495.8620.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kelly O. Norwood".

Kelly O. Norwood  
Vice President, State and Federal Regulation