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Public Utility Commission of Oregon
Attn: Filing Center
201 High St SE, Suite 100
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**RE: Docket No. LC 75
Avista Utilities 2021 Natural Gas Integrated Resource Plan
AWEC Comments on Staff's Final Recommendations**

Dear Filing Center:

Alliance of Western Energy Consumers (AWEC) provides the following comments in response to the Public Utility Commission of Oregon Staff (Staff) Report on Avista Corporation, dba Avista Utilities (Avista) 2021 Natural Gas Integrated Resource Plan (IRP). Staff recommends that the Commission acknowledge the Company's IRP as consistent with the Commission's IRP guidelines. Commission Staff also recommends 15 action items. AWEC supports Staff's recommendation to acknowledge the IRP as well as the 15 action items. AWEC appreciates the opportunity to provide these comments.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Chad M. Stokes', with a stylized flourish at the end.

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