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October 8, 2008

Vikie Bailey-Goggins Oregon Public Utilities Commission 550 Capitol St NE #215 PO Box 2148 Salem OR 97308-2148

UF _____

Transmitted herewith is one executed copy of an application for approval of an order authorizing security issuance.

The application contains as much information as is presently known. As other applicable data or updated documents become available, they will be forwarded to your attention.

The Company requests to receive an Order of Approval from the Commission by November 4, 2008. When complete, please send the executed copy of the Order of Approval to:

Ms. Diane C. Thoren, Assistant Treasurer Avista Corporation 1411 East Mission Avenue Spokane WA 99202-2600

If any questions arise or additional information is needed, please do not hesitate to contact Paul Kimball me at 509-495-4584.

Sincerely,

Diane Thoren Assistant Treasurer

Enclosures

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON

In the Matter of the Application of	
AVISTA CORPORATION)	APPLICATION
for an Order authorizing the issuance and sale of	UF-
debt Securities not to exceed \$150,000,000	

Avista Corporation (hereinafter called "Applicant") hereby applies for an Order of the Public Utility Commission of Oregon (Commission) authorizing the issuance and sale by the Applicant of up to \$150,000,000 of secured securities in various debt arrangements ("Securities") in accordance with OAR 860-27-0025 and -0030 and Oregon Revised Statutes (ORS) 757.415.

1. Required information:

- (a) The name and principal business address of the Applicant is Avista Corporation, 1411 East Mission Avenue, Spokane, Washington 99202-2600.
- (b) The Applicant was incorporated in Washington Territory (now the State of Washington) on March 15, 1889. The term of incorporation is perpetual. The Applicant is a public utility, which currently owns and operates property in Eastern Washington, Northern Idaho, Western Montana, and Central & Southwestern Oregon.
- (c) The name and address of the person authorized on behalf of the Applicant to receive notices and communications with respect to this Application is Ms. Diane C. Thoren, Assistant Treasurer, Avista Corporation, 1411 East Mission Avenue, Spokane, Washington, 99202.
- (d) The names and titles of the principal officers of the Applicant, all of whom maintain offices at 1411 East Mission Avenue, Spokane, Washington 99202, are as follows:

Scott L. Morris Chairman of the Board, Chief Executive Officer & President

Malyn K. Malquist Executive Vice President

Mark T. Thies Senior Vice President & Chief Financial Officer

Marian M. Durkin Senior Vice President, General Counsel & Chief Compliance Officer

Karen S. Feltes Senior Vice President & Corporate Secretary

Christy M. Burmeister-Smith Vice President, Controller & Principal Accounting Officer

Don F. Kopczynski Vice President

David J. Meyer Vice President & Chief Counsel for Regulatory & Governmental Affairs

Kelly O. Norwood Vice President

Ann M. Wilson Vice President & Treasurer

Roger D. Woodworth Vice President
Don M. Falkner Assistant Treasurer

Susan Y. Miner Assistant Corporate Secretary

Diane C. Thoren Assistant Treasurer

(e) Applicant is engaged in the generation, transmission, distribution and sale of electric energy, which it sells at retail to approximately 352,000 residential, commercial, and industrial customers in Eastern Washington and Northern Idaho, and at wholesale to public utilities, municipalities and others. Its electric properties are operated as a unified system and are interconnected with adjacent electric utilities. The electric energy sold by the Applicant is generated in power stations, which it owns in whole or in part or obtained, by purchase or exchange from other utilities and governmental agencies.

Applicant is also engaged in the distribution and sale of natural gas to approximately 311,000 residential, commercial and industrial customers in Eastern Washington, Northern Idaho, and Central & Southwestern Oregon.

(f) The Applicant's capital stock as of June 30, 2008 was as follows (Dollars in thousands):

	Outstanding Shares Amo		
Preferred Stock (10,000,000 shares authorized)	Silales	Amount	
Total Preferred Stock	00	<u>\$0.00</u>	
Common Stock (200,000,000 shares authorized)			
No Par Value	53,474,601	\$734,844	
Capital Stock Expense Total Common Stock	53,474,601	(13,483) \$721,361	

None of the capital stock is held as reacquired securities, pledged, held by affiliated corporations, or held in any fund, except as noted above.

(g) The Applicant's long-term debt as of June 30, 2008 was as follows:

Description	Authorized (\$000s)	Outstanding(\$000s)
Description First Mortgage Bonds		
Secured Medium-Term Notes, Series A	\$ 250,000	\$ 48,000
Secured Medium-Term Notes, Series B	250,000	5,000
5.70% Series Due 7-1-2038	150,000	150,000
6.125% Series Due 9-1-2013	150,000	45,000
5.45% Series Due 12-1-2019	*	90,000
6.25% Series Due 12-1-2035	150,000	150,000
5.95% Series Due 6-1-2018	350,000	250,000
Series C	250,000	75,000
Pollution Control Bonds		
Series due October 1, 2032	66,700	66,700
Series due March 1, 2034	17,000	17,000
6% Series due 2014	4,100	4,100
Trust Preferred Notes		
Capital I & II	150,000	113,403
Total Long Term Debt	\$ 1.787.800	¢ 1.014.202
Total Long Term Debt	\$ <u>1,787,800</u>	\$ <u>1,014,203</u>

None of the long-term debt is held as reacquired securities, pledged, held by affiliated corporations, or held in any fund, except as noted above.

^{*}Both the 6.125% and the 5.45% Series were issued under the same \$150 million authority.

(h) <u>Full Description of Securities Proposed to be Issued</u>. The Applicant proposes to enter into various secured debt arrangements in a total amount of up to and including \$150,000,000. The Applicant will only enter into transactions where the fees, interest rates and expenses charged or incurred by the Applicant in connection with the transactions are competitive with then-existing market prices for similar transactions. It is anticipated that the Securities would bear a floating interest rate but could also have a fixed interest rate.

The issuance of Securities under the requested authority is anticipated before the end of 2009 and is expected to be in the range of \$100-\$150 million with a term which may exceed 364 days but no more than 3 years, all depending on and subject to then-existing market prices for similar transactions.

(i) <u>Detailed Description of the Proposed Transaction</u>. The Applicant anticipates using the liquidity from the establishment of the Securities to maintain an adequate level of overall corporate liquidity. In the current financial market turmoil the Applicant has determined that the added liquidity is needed in order to maintain sufficient flexibility if the markets remain unsettled for any length of time and access to the capital markets for longer term financing is constrained. The Applicant has \$25 million of debt maturities in December 2008 and a mandatory put of \$83.7 million of pollution control bonds on December 30, 2008. In addition, the Applicant has \$60 million of trust preferred securities that can be optionally redeemed in March 2009.

The Applicant would utilize the added corporate liquidity to help in the repurchasing of both the \$83.7 million of pollution control bonds and the \$60 million of trust preferred securities if the markets continue to be in turmoil at the time of the mandatory put and optional redemption dates. The pollution control bonds current term interest rate period matures on December 30, 2008 and on December 31, 2008 the Applicant will be required to repurchase and remarket the bonds. The trust preferred securities fixed interest rate period ends on March 31, 2009 and the option to redeem becomes available at that time. The current market for trust preferred securities has changed and as of this time it would be cost effective for the Applicant to redeem these securities.

- (j) Fees to Persons Other than Attorneys & Accountants. The Applicant will only enter into transactions where the fees, interest rates and expenses charged or incurred by the Applicant in connection with the transactions are competitive with then-existing market prices for similar transactions. The terms of each Bond issuance and the names of the banks, or agents will be supplied at the time of issuance.
- (k) <u>Total Amount and Net Proceeds.</u> The estimated net proceeds are equal to \$150,000,000 less the bank's or agent's commissions. Compensation to any underwriter, bank or agent for their services in connection with the handling of the Securities is not expected to exceed 2.5%.

Estimated Total Fees and Expenses - with total fees not to exceed \$3,750,000

Underwriters	\$2,500,000
Legal counsel fees	500,000
Title Insurance	150,000
Printing	100,000
Accounting	100,000
Trustee fees	50,000
Rating agency fees	250,000
Miscellaneous	100,000
	\$3,750,000

Total:

- (I) <u>Purposes for which the Securities are to be Issued.</u> The Applicant may use the funds from the offer, issuance and sale of the Bonds for any or all of the following purposes: (1) the Applicant's construction, facility improvement, and maintenance programs, (2) to retire or exchange one or more outstanding stock, bond, or note issuances, (3) to reimburse the treasury for funds previously expended, and (4) for such other purposes, as may be permitted by law. To the extent that the Applicant's treasury is refunded, the original expenditures, or their precedents, were made for purposes described by ORS 757.415(1)(a), (b), or (e). To the extent that the obligations are discharged or refunded, those obligations or their precedents were used for purposes described by ORS 757.415(1)(a), (b), or (e).
- (m) Other applications. Similar applications have been filed with, the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission and the Idaho Public Utilities Commission, in whose jurisdictions the Applicant

also operates. The appropriate forms or other appropriate filing will be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission depending on the nature of the issuance of the Securities.

(n) <u>Public interest</u>. The issuance of the requested authority allows the Applicant greater liquidity and more flexibility in managing its daily cash requirements and upcoming debt maturities and redemptions. In a time of extreme uncertainty and instability in the credit markets, the Applicant believes it is in the public interest to maintain as much liquidity and flexibility as is available. Accordingly, Applicant believes the requested authority is in the public interest.

(o) Not Applicable

2. Submitted herewith are the following exhibits as required:

Exhibit A The Applicant's Articles of Incorporation

Exhibit B The Applicant's Bylaws

Exhibit C A copy of the resolution adopted by the Applicant's Board will be supplied

after the October 2008 Board meeting

Exhibit D The Applicant's Mortgage

Exhibit E A balance sheet as of June 30, 2008

Exhibit F A statement of contingent liabilities as of June 30, 2008

Exhibit G An income statement for the 6 months ended June 30, 2008

Exhibit H An analysis of retained earnings for the 12 months ended June 30, 2008

Exhibit I Drafts of transactional documents will be supplied when available.

Exhibit J Underwriting documents will be supplied when available.

Exhibit K Not applicable

Exhibit L Not applicable

WHEREFORE, the Applicant respectfully requests the Public Utility Commission of Oregon to enter a written order authorizing the proposed offering, issuance and sale by the Applicant of up to \$150,000,000 of certain debt arrangements.

AVISTA CORPORATION

By

Diane C. Thoren, Assistant Treasurer

Dated: October 8, 2008

STATE OF WASHINGTON County of Spokane

I, Diane C. Thoren, being duly sworn, depose and say that I am the Assistant Treasurer of Avista Corporation, the Applicant in the foregoing Application; that I have read said Application, including all Exhibits thereto, and know the contents thereof; and that the same are true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Diane C. Thoren, Assistant Treasurer

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this 8th Day of October, 2008

Notary Public for Washington

My Commission Expires: 6-17-09



ENTERED

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON

OF OREGON
UF
In the Matter of the Application of AVISTA CORPORATION for an Order authorizing the issuance and sale of Debt Securities not to exceed \$150,000,000 APPLICATION UF-
Avista Corporation (hereinafter called "Applicant") hereby requests the Public Utility Commission of Oregon to enter a written order establishing that the proposed offering, issuance and sale by the Applicant of up to \$150,000,000 of debt arrangements ("Securities') in accordance with OAR 860-27-0025 and -0030 and Oregon Revised Statutes (ORS) 757.415.
At its, public meeting, the Commission decided to grant the application.
Based on the Application and the Commission's records, the Commission makes the following:
FINDINGS OF FACT
The Company provides natural gas service to the public in Oregon.
The Company proposes to issue and sell up to \$150,000,000 of Securities for various corporate purposes.
There is no indication that the proposed offering will impair the Company's ability to provide its public utility service.
<u>OPINION</u>
<u>Jurisdiction</u>
(ORS) 757.005 defines a "public utility" as anyone providing heat, light, water or power service to the public in Oregon. The Company is a public utility subject to the Commission's jurisdiction.

The Offerings

(ORS) 757.415(1) provides that:

A public utility may issue [stocks and bonds, notes, and other evidences of indebtedness] for the following purposes and no others....:

- (a) The acquisition of property, or the construction, completion, extension, or improvement of its facilities.
- (b) The improvement or maintenance of its service.
- (c) The discharge or lawful refunding of its obligations.
- (d) The reimbursement of money actually expended from income or from any other money in the treasury of the public utility not secured by or obtained from the issue of stocks or bonds, notes or other evidences of indebtedness, or securities of such public utility, for any of the purposes listed in paragraphs (a)

to (c) of this subsection except the maintenance of service and replacements, in cases where the applicant has kept its accounts and vouchers for such expenditures in such manner as to enable the commission to ascertain the amount of money so expended and the purposes for which such expenditures were made.

When an application involves refunding of obligations, the applicant also must show that the original borrowings were made for a permissible purpose. <u>Avion Water Company, Inc.</u>, UF 3903, Order No. 83244; <u>Pacific Power & Light Co.</u>, UF 3749, Order No. 81-745 at 5.

(ORS) 757.415(2) provides that:

[The applicant] shall secure from the commission an order stating:

- (a) The amount of the issue and the purposes to which the proceeds are to be applied; and
- (b) In the opinion of the commission, the [proceeds] reasonably [are] required for the purposes specified in the order and compatible with the public interest, which is necessary or appropriate for or consistent with the proper performance by the applicant of service as a public utility, and will not impair its ability to perform that service; and
- (c) Except as otherwise permitted in the order in the case of [long-term debt], such purposes are not, in whole or in part, reasonably chargeable to operating expenses or to income.

The amount of the offering will be not more than \$150,000,000 of Securities. The Applicant will use the funds from the offer for the following purpose: to retire or exchange one or more outstanding stock, bond, or note issuances. To the extent that the obligations are discharged or refunded, those obligations or their precedents were used for purposes described by (ORS) 757.415(1)(a), (b), or (e).

Utility facilities are long-term assets which should be financed with long-term capital. The proposed expenditures are not reasonably chargeable to operating expenses or income.

The Commission believes that the proposed transactions are reasonably required for the purposes stated. The Company's proposed issuances are compatible with the public interest and consistent with the proper performance of the Company's public utility service. The proposed transactions will not impair the Company's ability to perform that service.

For rate-making purposes, the Commission reserves judgment on the reasonableness of the Company's capital costs and capital structure. In its next rate proceeding, the Company will be required to show that its capital costs and structure are just and reasonable. <u>See</u> (ORS) 757.210.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1. The Avista Corporation is a public utility subject to the Commission's jurisdiction.
- 2. The application meets the requirements of (ORS) 757.415.
- 3. The Application should be granted.

ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

ORDER NO.

- 1. The Application of Avista Corporation for authority to issue and sell up to \$150,000,000 of Securities for various corporate purposes.
- 2. The proceeds must be used for the purposes set forth in (ORS) 757.415(1) (a), (b), (c) and (d).
- 3. Avista Corporation shall file as they become available:
 - (a) The Report of Securities Issued required by OAR 860-27-030(4).
 - (b) Verified copies of any agreement entered into in connection with the issuance of the Securities pursuant to this order not previously filed with the Commission.
 - (c) A verified statement setting forth in reasonable detail the disposition of the proceeds of each offering made pursuant to this order.

Made, entered, and effective	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
	BY THE COMMISSION:
Lee Beyer Commissioner Chairman	Ray Baum Commissioner
John Savage Commissioner	

BYLAWS

OF

AVISTA CORPORATION

As Amended May 9, 2008

BYLAWS OF AVISTA CORPORATION

ARTICLE I. Offices

The principal office of the Corporation shall be in the City of Spokane, Washington. The Corporation may have such other offices, either within or without the State of Washington, as the Board of Directors may designate from time to time.

ARTICLE II. Shareholders

- Section 1. Annual Meeting. The Annual Meeting of Shareholders shall be held on such date in the month of May in each year as determined by the Board of Directors for the purpose of electing directors and for the transaction of such other business as may come before the meeting. If the day fixed for the Annual Meeting shall be a legal holiday, such meeting shall be held on the next succeeding business day.
- Section 2. Special Meetings. Special meetings of the shareholders may be called by the President, the Chairman of the Board, the majority of the Board of Directors, or the Executive Committee of the Board, and shall be called by the President at the request of the holders of not less than two-thirds (2/3) of the voting power of all shares of the voting stock voting together as a single class. Only those matters that are specified in the call of or request for a special meeting may be considered or voted at such meeting.
- Section 3. Place of Meeting. Meetings of the shareholders, whether they be annual or special, shall be held at the principal office of the Corporation, unless a place, either within or without the state, is otherwise designated by the Board of Directors in the notice provided to shareholders of such meetings.
- Section 4. Notice of Meeting. Written or printed notice of every meeting of shareholders shall be mailed by the Corporate Secretary or any Assistant Corporate Secretary, not less than ten (10) nor more than fifty (50) days before the date of the meeting, to each holder of record of stock entitled to vote at the meeting. The notice shall be mailed to each shareholder at his last known post office address, provided, however, that if a shareholder is present at a meeting, or waives notice thereof in writing before or after the meeting, the notice of the meeting to such shareholders shall be unnecessary.
- Section 5. Voting of Shares. At every meeting of shareholders each holder of stock entitled to vote thereat shall be entitled to one vote for each share of such stock held in his name on the books of the Corporation, subject to the provisions of applicable law, and may vote and otherwise act in person or by proxy.

Section 6. Quorum. The holders of a majority of the number of outstanding shares of stock of the Corporation entitled to vote thereat, present in person or by proxy at any meeting, shall constitute a quorum, but less than a quorum shall have power to adjourn any meeting from time to time without notice. No change shall be made in this Section 6 without the affirmative vote of the holders of at least a majority of the outstanding shares of stock entitled to vote.

Section 7. Closing of Transfer Books or Fixing of Record Date. For the purposes of determining shareholders entitled to notice of or to vote at any meeting of shareholders or any adjournment thereof, or shareholders entitled to receive payment of any dividend, or in order to make a determination of shareholders for any other proper purpose, the Board of Directors of the Corporation may provide that the stock transfer books shall be closed for a stated period but not to exceed, in any case, fifty (50) days. If the stock transfer books shall be closed for the purpose of determining shareholders entitled to notice of or to vote at a meeting of shareholders, such books shall be closed for at least ten (10) days immediately preceding such meeting. In lieu of closing the stock transfer books, the Board of Directors may fix in advance a date as the record date for any such determination of shareholders, such date in any case to be not more than seventy (70) days and, in case of a meeting of shareholders, not less than ten (10) days prior to the date on which the particular action, requiring such determination of shareholders, is to be taken. When a determination of shareholders entitled to vote at any meeting of shareholders has been made as provided in this section, such determination shall apply to any adjournment thereof.

Section 8. Voting Record. The officer or agent having charge of the stock transfer books for shares of the Corporation shall make, at least ten (10) days before each meeting of shareholders, a complete record of the shareholders entitled to vote at such meeting or any adjournment thereof, arranged in alphabetical order, with the address of and the number of shares held by each, which record, for a period of ten (10) days prior to such meeting, shall be kept on file at the registered office of the Corporation. Such record shall be produced and kept open at the time and place of the meeting and shall be subject to the inspection of any shareholder during the whole time of the meeting for the purposes thereof.

Section 9. Conduct of Proceedings. The Chairman of the Board shall preside at all meetings of the shareholders. In the absence of the Chairman, the President shall preside and in the absence of both, the Executive Vice President shall preside. The members of the Board of Directors present at the meeting may appoint any officer of the Corporation or member of the Board to act as Chairman of any meeting in the absence of the Chairman, the President, or Executive Vice President. The Corporate Secretary of the Corporation, or in his absence, an Assistant Corporate Secretary, shall act as Secretary at all meetings of the shareholders. In the absence of the Corporate Secretary or Assistant Corporate Secretary at any meeting of the shareholders, the presiding officer may appoint any person to act as Secretary of the meeting.

Section 10. Proxies. At all meetings of shareholders, a shareholder may vote in person or by proxy. A shareholder or the shareholder's duly authorized agent or attorney-in-fact may appoint a proxy by (i) executing a proxy in writing or (ii) transmitting or authorizing the transmission of an electronic proxy in any manner permitted by law. Such proxy shall be filed with the Corporate Secretary of the Corporation before or at the time of the meeting.

Section 11. Advance Notice of Business to be Presented at Annual Meeting. (a) Shareholders may propose business to be brought before the Annual Meeting of Shareholders only if (i) such business is a proper matter for shareholder action under the Washington Business Corporation Act and (ii) the shareholder has given timely notice in proper written form of such shareholder's intent to propose such business; (b) to be timely, a shareholder's notice relating to the Annual Meeting shall be delivered to the Corporate Secretary at the principal executive offices of the Corporation not less than 120 or more than 180 days prior to the first anniversary (the "Anniversary") of the date on which the Corporation first mailed its proxy materials for the preceding year's Annual Meeting of Shareholders. However, if the date of the Annual Meeting is advanced more than 30 days prior to or delayed by more than 30 days after the Anniversary of the preceding year's Annual Meeting, then notice by the shareholder to be timely must be delivered to the Corporate Secretary at the principal executive offices of the Corporation not later than the close of business on the later of (i) the 90th day prior to such Annual Meeting or (ii) the 15th day following the day on which public announcement of the date of such meeting is first made. In no event shall an adjournment of an Annual Meeting, or any announcement or notice of such an adjournment, commence a new time period for the giving of a shareholder's notice as set forth above; (c) to be in proper form a shareholder's notice to the Corporate Secretary shall be in writing and shall set forth (i) the name and address of the shareholder who intends to make the proposal and the classes and numbers of shares of the Corporation's capital stock owned of record by such shareholder, (ii) a representation that the shareholder intends to vote such stock at such meeting, (iii) a description of the business the shareholder intends to bring before the meeting, including such information as would be required to be included in a proxy statement filed pursuant to Regulation 14A promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), had the matter been proposed, or intended to be proposed, by the Board of Directors of the Corporation, (iv) the name and address of any beneficial owner(s) of the Corporation's stock on whose behalf such business is to be presented and the class and number of shares beneficially owned by each such beneficial owner (beneficial ownership to be determined pursuant to Rule 13d-3 under the Exchange Act) and (v) any material interest in such business of such shareholder or any such beneficial owner; (d) only such business as shall have been brought before the meeting in accordance with the procedures set forth in this Section 11 shall be conducted at an Annual Meeting of Shareholders. The Chairman of the meeting shall have the power and the duty to determine whether any business proposed to be brought before a meeting was proposed in accordance with the procedures set forth in this Section 11, and, if any business is not in compliance with this Section, to declare that such defective proposal shall be disregarded. The determination of the Chairman shall be conclusive; (c) notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Section 11, a shareholder shall also comply with all applicable requirements of the Exchange Act and the rules and regulations thereunder with respect to the matters set forth in this Section 11. Nothing in this Section shall be deemed to expand or diminish any rights of a shareholder under Rule 14a-8 under the Exchange Act, or any successor rule to request inclusion of a proposal in the Corporation's proxy statement or to present for action at an Annual Meeting any proposal so included; and (f) only such business as shall have been brought before the meeting pursuant to the Corporation's notice of meeting shall be conducted at a special meeting of shareholders.

ARTICLE III. Board of Directors

Section 1. General Powers. The powers of the Corporation shall be exercised by or under the authority of the Board of Directors, except as otherwise provided by the laws of the State of Washington and the Articles of Incorporation.

Number, Tenure and Eligibility. The number of Directors of the Corporation shall be as fixed from time to time by resolution of the Board of Directors, but shall not be more than eleven (11); provided, however, that if the right to elect a majority of the Board of Directors shall have accrued to the holders of the Preferred Stock as provided in paragraph (1) of subdivision (j) of Article THIRD of the Articles of Incorporation, then, during such period as such holders shall have such right, the number of directors may exceed eleven (11). Directors shall be divided into three classes, as nearly equal in number as possible. At each Annual Meeting of Shareholders, directors elected to succeed those directors whose terms expire shall be elected for a term of office to expire at the third succeeding Annual Meeting of Shareholders after their election. Notwithstanding the foregoing, directors elected by the holders of the Preferred Stock in accordance with paragraph (1) of subdivision (j) of Article THIRD of the Articles of Incorporation shall be elected for a term, which shall expire not later than the next Annual Meeting of Shareholders. All directors shall hold office until the expiration of their respective terms of office and until their successors shall have been elected and qualified. No person may be elected or re-elected as a director if at the time of their election or re-election, such person shall have attained the age of seventy (70) years. Any director who attains such age while in office shall retire from the Board of Directors effective at the Annual Meeting of Shareholders held in the year in which their then current term expires, and any such director shall not be nominated or re-elected as a director.

Section 3. Regular Meetings. The regular Annual Meeting of the Board of Directors shall be held immediately following the adjournment of the Annual Meeting of the shareholders or as soon as practicable after said Annual Meeting of Shareholders. But, in any event, said regular Annual Meeting of the Board of Directors must be held on either the same day as the Annual Meeting of Shareholders or the next business day following said Annual Meeting of Shareholders. At such meeting the Board of Directors, including directors newly elected, shall organize itself for the coming year, shall elect officers of the Corporation for the ensuing year, and shall transact all such further business as may be necessary or appropriate. The Board shall hold regular quarterly meetings, without call or notice, on such dates as determined by the Board of Directors. At such quarterly meetings the Board of Directors shall transact all business properly brought before the Board.

Section 4. Special Meetings. Special meetings of the Board of Directors may be called by or at the request of the Chairman of the Board, the President, the Executive Vice President, the Lead Director or any three (3) directors. Notice of any special meeting shall be given to each director at least two (2) days in advance of the meeting.

Section 5. Emergency Meetings. In the event of a catastrophe or a disaster causing the injury or death to members of the Board of Directors and the principal officers of the

Corporation, any director or officer may call an emergency meeting of the Board of Directors. Notice of the time and place of the emergency meeting shall be given not less than two (2) days prior to the meeting and may be given by any available means of communication. The director or directors present at the meeting shall constitute a quorum for the purpose of filling vacancies determined to exist. The directors present at the emergency meeting may appoint such officers as necessary to fill any vacancies determined to exist. All appointments under this section shall be temporary until a special meeting of the shareholders and directors is held as provided in these Bylaws.

- Section 6. Conference by Telephone. The members of the Board of Directors, or of any committee created by the Board, may participate in a meeting of the Board or of the committee by means of a conference telephone or similar communication equipment by means of which all persons participating in the meeting can hear each other at the same time. Participation in a meeting by such means shall constitute presence in person at a meeting.
- Section 7. Quorum. A majority of the number of directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any meeting of the Board of Directors. The action of a majority of the directors present at a meeting at which a quorum is present shall be the action of the Board.
- Section 8. Action Without a Meeting. Any action required by law to be taken at a meeting of the directors of the Corporation, or any action which may be taken at a meeting of the directors or of a committee, may be taken without a meeting if a consent in writing, setting forth the action so taken, shall be signed by all of the directors, or all of the members of the committee, as the case may be. Such consent shall have the same effect as a unanimous vote.
- Section 9. Vacancies. Subject to the provisions of paragraph (1) of subdivision (j) of Article THIRD of the Articles of Incorporation, (a) any vacancy occurring in the Board of Directors may be filled by the affirmative vote of a majority of the remaining directors though less than a quorum of the Board of Directors and any director so elected to fill a vacancy shall be elected for the unexpired term of his or her predecessor in office and (b) any directorship to be filled by reason of an increase in the number of directors may be filled by the Board of Directors for a term of office continuing only until the next election of directors by the shareholders.
- Section 10. Resignation of Director. Any director or member of any committee may resign at any time. Such resignation shall be made in writing and shall take effect at the time specified therein. If no time is specified, it shall take effect from the time of its receipt by the Corporate Secretary, who shall record such resignation, noting the day, hour and minute of its reception. The acceptance of a resignation shall not be necessary to make it effective.
- Section 11. Removal. Subject to the provisions of paragraph (1) of subdivision (j) of Article THIRD of the Articles of Incorporation, any director may be removed from office at any time, but only for cause and only by the affirmative vote of the holders of at least a majority of the voting power of all of the shares of capital stock of the Corporation entitled generally to vote in the election of directors voting together as a single class, at a meeting of shareholders called expressly for that purpose. No decrease in the number of directors constituting the Board of Directors shall shorten the term of any incumbent director.

Section 12. Order of Business. The Chairman of the Board shall preside at all meetings of the directors. In the absence of the Chairman, the officer or member of the Board designated by the Board of Directors shall preside. At meetings of the Board of Directors, business shall be transacted in such order as the Board may determine. Minutes of all proceedings of the Board of Directors, or committees appointed by it, shall be prepared and maintained by the Corporate Secretary or an Assistant Corporate Secretary and the original shall be maintained in the principal office of the Corporation.

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The seal of the Corporation shall be in such form as the Board of Directors shall prescribe.

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ARTICLE X. Amendments

Except as to Section 6 of Article II of these Bylaws, the Board of Directors may alter or amend these Bylaws at any meeting duly held, the notice of which includes notice of the proposed amendment. Bylaws adopted by the Board of Directors shall be subject to change or repeal by the shareholders; provided, however, that Section 2 of Article III, (other than the provision thereof specifying the number of Directors of the Corporation), and Sections 9, 11 and 13 of Article III and this proviso shall not be altered, amended or repealed, and no provision inconsistent therewith or herewith shall be included in these Bylaws, without the affirmative votes of the holders of at least eighty percent (80%) of the voting power of all the shares of the Voting Stock voting together as a single class.

BYLAWS

OF

AVISTA CORPORATION

As Amended May 9, 2008

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The principal office of the Corporation shall be in the City of Spokane, Washington. The Corporation may have such other offices, either within or without the State of Washington, as the Board of Directors may designate from time to time.

ARTICLE II. Shareholders

- **Section 1. Annual Meeting.** The Annual Meeting of Shareholders shall be held on such date in the month of May in each year as determined by the Board of Directors for the purpose of electing directors and for the transaction of such other business as may come before the meeting. If the day fixed for the Annual Meeting shall be a legal holiday, such meeting shall be held on the next succeeding business day.
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- **Section 3. Place of Meeting.** Meetings of the shareholders, whether they be annual or special, shall be held at the principal office of the Corporation, unless a place, either within or without the state, is otherwise designated by the Board of Directors in the notice provided to shareholders of such meetings.
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- **Section 5. Voting of Shares.** At every meeting of shareholders each holder of stock entitled to vote thereat shall be entitled to one vote for each share of such stock held in his name on the books of the Corporation, subject to the provisions of applicable law, and may vote and otherwise act in person or by proxy.

Section 6. Quorum. The holders of a majority of the number of outstanding shares of stock of the Corporation entitled to vote thereat, present in person or by proxy at any meeting, shall constitute a quorum, but less than a quorum shall have power to adjourn any meeting from time to time without notice. No change shall be made in this Section 6 without the affirmative vote of the holders of at least a majority of the outstanding shares of stock entitled to vote.

Section 7. Closing of Transfer Books or Fixing of Record Date. For the purposes of determining shareholders entitled to notice of or to vote at any meeting of shareholders or any adjournment thereof, or shareholders entitled to receive payment of any dividend, or in order to make a determination of shareholders for any other proper purpose, the Board of Directors of the Corporation may provide that the stock transfer books shall be closed for a stated period but not to exceed, in any case, fifty (50) days. If the stock transfer books shall be closed for the purpose of determining shareholders entitled to notice of or to vote at a meeting of shareholders, such books shall be closed for at least ten (10) days immediately preceding such meeting. In lieu of closing the stock transfer books, the Board of Directors may fix in advance a date as the record date for any such determination of shareholders, such date in any case to be not more than seventy (70) days and, in case of a meeting of shareholders, not less than ten (10) days prior to the date on which the particular action, requiring such determination of shareholders, is to be taken. When a determination of shareholders entitled to vote at any meeting of shareholders has been made as provided in this section, such determination shall apply to any adjournment thereof.

Section 8. Voting Record. The officer or agent having charge of the stock transfer books for shares of the Corporation shall make, at least ten (10) days before each meeting of shareholders, a complete record of the shareholders entitled to vote at such meeting or any adjournment thereof, arranged in alphabetical order, with the address of and the number of shares held by each, which record, for a period of ten (10) days prior to such meeting, shall be kept on file at the registered office of the Corporation. Such record shall be produced and kept open at the time and place of the meeting and shall be subject to the inspection of any shareholder during the whole time of the meeting for the purposes thereof.

Section 9. Conduct of Proceedings. The Chairman of the Board shall preside at all meetings of the shareholders. In the absence of the Chairman, the President shall preside and in the absence of both, the Executive Vice President shall preside. The members of the Board of Directors present at the meeting may appoint any officer of the Corporation or member of the Board to act as Chairman of any meeting in the absence of the Chairman, the President, or Executive Vice President. The Corporate Secretary of the Corporation, or in his absence, an Assistant Corporate Secretary, shall act as Secretary at all meetings of the shareholders. In the absence of the Corporate Secretary or Assistant Corporate Secretary at any meeting of the shareholders, the presiding officer may appoint any person to act as Secretary of the meeting.

Section 10. Proxies. At all meetings of shareholders, a shareholder may vote in person or by proxy. A shareholder or the shareholder's duly authorized agent or attorney-in-fact may appoint a proxy by (i) executing a proxy in writing or (ii) transmitting or authorizing the transmission of an electronic proxy in any manner permitted by law. Such proxy shall be filed with the Corporate Secretary of the Corporation before or at the time of the meeting.

Section 11. Advance Notice of Business to be Presented at Annual Meeting. (a) Shareholders may propose business to be brought before the Annual Meeting of Shareholders only if (i) such business is a proper matter for shareholder action under the Washington Business Corporation Act and (ii) the shareholder has given timely notice in proper written form of such shareholder's intent to propose such business; (b) to be timely, a shareholder's notice relating to the Annual Meeting shall be delivered to the Corporate Secretary at the principal executive offices of the Corporation not less than 120 or more than 180 days prior to the first anniversary (the "Anniversary") of the date on which the Corporation first mailed its proxy materials for the preceding year's Annual Meeting of Shareholders. However, if the date of the Annual Meeting is advanced more than 30 days prior to or delayed by more than 30 days after the Anniversary of the preceding year's Annual Meeting, then notice by the shareholder to be timely must be delivered to the Corporate Secretary at the principal executive offices of the Corporation not later than the close of business on the later of (i) the 90th day prior to such Annual Meeting or (ii) the 15th day following the day on which public announcement of the date of such meeting is first made. In no event shall an adjournment of an Annual Meeting, or any announcement or notice of such an adjournment, commence a new time period for the giving of a shareholder's notice as set forth above; (c) to be in proper form a shareholder's notice to the Corporate Secretary shall be in writing and shall set forth (i) the name and address of the shareholder who intends to make the proposal and the classes and numbers of shares of the Corporation's capital stock owned of record by such shareholder, (ii) a representation that the shareholder intends to vote such stock at such meeting, (iii) a description of the business the shareholder intends to bring before the meeting, including such information as would be required to be included in a proxy statement filed pursuant to Regulation 14A promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), had the matter been proposed, or intended to be proposed, by the Board of Directors of the Corporation, (iv) the name and address of any beneficial owner(s) of the Corporation's stock on whose behalf such business is to be presented and the class and number of shares beneficially owned by each such beneficial owner (beneficial ownership to be determined pursuant to Rule 13d-3 under the Exchange Act) and (v) any material interest in such business of such shareholder or any such beneficial owner; (d) only such business as shall have been brought before the meeting in accordance with the procedures set forth in this Section 11 shall be conducted at an Annual Meeting of Shareholders. The Chairman of the meeting shall have the power and the duty to determine whether any business proposed to be brought before a meeting was proposed in accordance with the procedures set forth in this Section 11, and, if any business is not in compliance with this Section, to declare that such defective proposal shall be disregarded. The determination of the Chairman shall be conclusive; (e) notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Section 11, a shareholder shall also comply with all applicable requirements of the Exchange Act and the rules and regulations thereunder with respect to the matters set forth in this Section 11. Nothing in this Section shall be deemed to expand or diminish any rights of a shareholder under Rule 14a-8 under the Exchange Act, or any successor rule to request inclusion of a proposal in the Corporation's proxy statement or to present for action at an Annual Meeting any proposal so included; and (f) only such business as shall have been brought before the meeting pursuant to the Corporation's notice of meeting shall be conducted at a special meeting of shareholders.

ARTICLE III. Board of Directors

Section 1. General Powers. The powers of the Corporation shall be exercised by or under the authority of the Board of Directors, except as otherwise provided by the laws of the State of Washington and the Articles of Incorporation.

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Section 4. Special Meetings. Special meetings of the Board of Directors may be called by or at the request of the Chairman of the Board, the President, the Executive Vice President, the Lead Director or any three (3) directors. Notice of any special meeting shall be given to each director at least two (2) days in advance of the meeting.

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- **Section 3.** Removal. Any officer or agent may be removed by the Board of Directors whenever in its judgment the best interests of the Corporation will be served thereby, but such removal shall be without prejudice to contract rights, if any, of the person so removed. Election or appointment of an officer or agent shall not of itself create contract rights.
- **Section 4. Vacancies.** A vacancy in any office because of death, resignation, removal, disqualification or otherwise may be filled by the Board of Directors for the unexpired portion of the term.
- **Section 5. Powers and Duties.** The officers shall have such powers and duties as usually pertain to their offices, except as modified by the Board of Directors, and shall have such other powers and duties as may from time to time be conferred upon them by the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE VI. Contracts, Checks and Deposits

- **Section 1. Contracts.** The Board of Directors may authorize any officer or officers or agents, to enter into any contract or to execute and deliver any instrument in the name of and on behalf of the Corporation, and such authority may be general or confined to specific instances.
- **Section 2.** Checks/Drafts/Notes. All checks, drafts or other orders for the payment of money, notes or other evidences of indebtedness issued in the name of the Corporation shall be signed by such officer or officers, agent or agents of the Corporation and in such manner as shall from time to time be determined by resolution of the Board of Directors.
- **Section 3. Deposits.** All funds of the Corporation not otherwise employed shall be deposited from time to time to the credit of the Corporation in such banks, trust companies or other depositories as the Board of Directors by resolution may select.

ARTICLE VII. Certificates for Shares and Their Transfer

Section 1. Certificates for Shares. Certificates representing shares of the Corporation shall be in such form as shall be determined by the Board of Directors and shall contain such information as prescribed by law. Such certificates shall be signed by the President or a Vice President and by either the Corporate Secretary or an Assistant Corporate Secretary, and sealed with the corporate seal or a facsimile thereof. The signatures of such officers upon a certificate may be facsimiles. The name and address of the person to whom the shares represented thereby are issued, with the number of shares and date of issue, shall be entered on the stock transfer books of the Corporation. All certificates surrendered to the Corporation for transfer shall be cancelled and no new certificate shall be issued until the former certificate for a like number of shares shall have been surrendered and cancelled, except that in case of a lost, destroyed or mutilated certificate a new one may be issued therefor upon such terms and indemnity to the Corporation as the Board of Directors may prescribe.

Section 2. Transfer of Shares. Transfer of shares of the Corporation shall be made only on the stock transfer books of the Corporation by the holder of record thereof or by his legal representative, who shall furnish proper evidence of authority to transfer, or by his attorney thereunto authorized by power of attorney duly executed and filed with the Corporate Secretary of the Corporation, and on surrender for cancellation of the certificate for such shares. The person in whose name shares stand on the books of the Corporation shall be deemed by the Corporation to be the owner thereof for all purposes. The Board of Directors shall have power to appoint one or more transfer agents and registrars for transfer and registration of certificates of stock.

ARTICLE VIII. Corporate Seal

The seal of the Corporation shall be in such form as the Board of Directors shall prescribe.

ARTICLE IX. Indemnification

Section 1. Indemnification of Directors and Officers. The Corporation shall indemnify and reimburse the expenses of any person who is or was a director, officer, agent or employee of the Corporation or is or was serving at the request of the Corporation as a director, officer, partner, trustee, employee, or agent of another enterprise or employee benefit plan to the extent permitted by and in accordance with Article SEVENTH of the Company's Articles of Incorporation and as permitted by law.

Section 2. Liability Insurance. The Corporation shall have the power to purchase and maintain insurance on behalf of any person who is or was a director, officer, employee, or agent of the Corporation or is or was serving at the request of the Corporation as a director, officer,

employee or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust, other enterprise, or employee benefit plan against any liability asserted against him and incurred by him in any such capacity or arising out of his status as such, whether or not the Corporation would have the power to indemnify him against such liability under the laws of the State of Washington.

Section 3. Ratification of Acts of Director, Officer or Shareholder. Any transaction questioned in any shareholders' derivative suit on the ground of lack of authority, defective or irregular execution, adverse interest of director, officer or shareholder, nondisclosure, miscomputation, or the application of improper principles or practices of accounting may be ratified before or after judgment, by the Board of Directors or by the shareholders in case less than a quorum of directors are qualified; and, if so ratified, shall have the same force and effect as if the questioned transaction had been originally duly authorized, and said ratification shall be binding upon the Corporation and its shareholders and shall constitute a bar to any claim or execution of any judgment in respect of such questioned transaction.

ARTICLE X. Amendments

Except as to Section 6 of Article II of these Bylaws, the Board of Directors may alter or amend these Bylaws at any meeting duly held, the notice of which includes notice of the proposed amendment. Bylaws adopted by the Board of Directors shall be subject to change or repeal by the shareholders; provided, however, that Section 2 of Article III, (other than the provision thereof specifying the number of Directors of the Corporation), and Sections 9, 11 and 13 of Article III and this proviso shall not be altered, amended or repealed, and no provision inconsistent therewith or herewith shall be included in these Bylaws, without the affirmative votes of the holders of at least eighty percent (80%) of the voting power of all the shares of the Voting Stock voting together as a single class.



BALANCE SHEET June 30, 2008

	Current Month 6/30/2008	Last Month 5/31/2008	Last Year 6/30/2007	
ASSETS, PROPERTY & INVESTMENTS UTILITY PLANT:				
Electric Utility Plant	\$ 2,473,365,971	\$ 2,460,236,724	\$ 2,327,534,246	
Reserve for Write-Off	(9,911,234)	(9,911,234)	(9,911,234)	
Gas Utility Plant	599,433,923	596,299,447	552,508,729	
WPNG Acquisition Adjustment	22,211,433	22,211,433	22,211,433	
Common Plant	115,477,517	114,391,504	98,311,354	
TOTAL UTILITY PLANT	3,200,577,610	3,183,227,876	2,990,654,528	
Construction Work In Progress	82,051,960	86,725,393	112,324,064	
GROSS UTILITY PLANT	3,282,629,570	3,269,953,269	3,102,978,593	
ACCUMULATED DEPRECIATION:				
Electric Accum Depr	(849,270,241)	(844,768,741)	(802,420,891)	
Gas Accum Depr	(224,056,005)	(223,238,364)	(211,852,532)	
WPNG Acquisition Adjust Accum Amort	(18,824,418)	(18,731,870)	(17,713,846)	
Common Depreciation	(34,107,099)	(33,144,577)	(27,323,990)	
TOTAL ACCUMULATED DEPRECIATION	(1,126,257,763)	(1,119,883,552)	(1,059,311,258)	
NET UTILITY PLANT	2,156,371,807	2,150,069,717	2,043,667,334	
OTHER PROPERTY & INVESTMENTS:				
Non-Utility Property (Net)	3,775,827	3,776,835	3,782,609	
Investment in Subsidiaries	79,874,940	75,220,730	230,316,279	
Other Investments	14,013,594	28,481,753	14,893,704	
Investment in Exchange Power	27,358,284	27,562,454	29,808,315	
Other Special Funds	14,947,503	15,679,774	15,369,134	
TOTAL OTHER PROP & INVEST	139,970,150	150,721,545	294,170,041	



BALANCE SHEET June 30, 2008

	Current Month 6/30/2008	Last Month 5/31/2008	Last Year 6/30/2007
CURRENT ASSETS & DEFERRED CHARGES			
CURRENT ASSETS:	(700.521)	(4.160.022)	(4.200.016)
Cash	(700,521) 1,600,000	(4,169,923)	(4,388,816)
Special Deposits	625,461	1,600,000 620,298	1,600,559 697,559
Working Funds Temporary Investments	1,220,540	229,223,047	992,999
Customer A/R Net of A/R Sale	, ,		· ·
Provision for Uncollectibles	134,848,144 (3,170,402)	151,876,627 (3,500,081)	43,782,985
Other Accounts & Notes Receivable	4,111,233	9,300,984	(2,871,001)
Receivable Associated Co.	4,111,233 (587,340)		14,982,640
	18,299,915	(1,250,615)	8,090,553 16,650,303
Materials & Supplies Fuel Stock	2,744,275	18,406,616 2,017,154	2,728,863
Natural Gas Stored	22,829,501	11,816,152	7,555,303
	5,427,124	5,978,688	4,419,644
Prepayments Derivative Assets - Current			
Other Current & Deferred Assets	98,438,102 7,292,389	40,734,229	10,410,094
		7,300,878	1,365,476
TOTAL CURRENT & DEFERRED ASSETS	292,978,420	469,954,055	106,017,159
DEFERRED CHARGES:			
Unamt Debt Expense & Reacq Gain/Loss	28,999,802	29,263,400	40,227,438
Preliminary Survey & Investment	2,945,700	2,769,510	8,525,526
Conservation Programs	5,865,755	5,999,030	10,334,523
Unrecovered Purchased Gas Cost	(14,458,382)	(15,755,176)	9,517,087
Miscellaneous Deferred Charges	6,863,986	6,579,340	6,521,431
Derivative Assets - LT	117,322,481	73,136,472	32,960,637
Fas 109 Regulatory Asset	114,441,397	115,988,135	103,363,500
Other Regulatory Assets	176,982,743	147,084,618	179,023,712
TOTAL DEFERRED CHARGES	438,963,481	365,065,330	390,473,853
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 3,028,283,858	\$ 3,135,810,646	\$ 2,834,328,388



BALANCE SHEET June 30, 2008

	Current Month 6/30/2008	Last Month 5/31/2008	Last Year 6/30/2007
LIABILITIES & STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY			
CAPITALIZATION:			
Common Equity	965,818,822	951,192,794	926,590,302
Preferred Stock-Non Redeemable	-	-	-
Preferred Stock-Redeemable	_	_	26,250,000
Trust Originated Preferred Securities	113,403,000	113,403,000	113,403,000
Long Term Debt	884,220,903	1,176,772,299	957,308,121
TOTAL CAPITALIZATION	1,963,442,725	2,241,368,093	2,023,551,424
CURRENT & ACCRUED LIABILITIES:			
Accum Prov Injuries & Damages	451,950	401,950	484,000
Accounts Payable	81,127,119	88,152,212	64,493,317
Capital Lease Obligation	-	-	224,214
Payable/Advance Associated Co.	1,890,102	1,959,032	1,803,317
Customer Deposits	6,706,805	6,380,400	5,996,548
Taxes Accrued	3,755,465	3,540,738	(6,865,790)
Interest Accrued	15,637,914	31,771,888	15,454,758
Dividends Declared	(0)	8,809,655	-
Tax Collections Payable	843,150	826,556	22,743
Derivative Liab - Current	21,825,158	8,095,439	28,387,154
Other Current & Accrued Liabilities	152,061,813	78,711,560	90,065,768
TOTAL CURRENT & ACCRUED LIABILITI	284,299,475	228,649,430	200,066,029
DEFERRED LIABILITIES:			
Customer Advances	1,212,979	1,223,327	1,129,439
Prov Post Retire Benefits	79,595,070	84,437,573	99,119,582
Deferred Income Tax	472,045,577	473,110,381	455,190,379
Other Deferred Credits	14,770,945	15,323,530	15,640,047
Derivative Liab - LT	2,262,260	1,039,189	5,477,834
Other Regulatory Liabilities	210,654,827	90,659,123	34,153,654
TOTAL DEFERRED LIABILITIES	780,541,658	665,793,123	610,710,935
TOTAL LIABILITIES & STOCKHOLDERS'	\$ 3,028,283,858	\$ 3,135,810,646	\$ 2,834,328,388

Statement of Contingent Liabilities As of June, 2008

In the course of its business, the Company becomes involved in various claims, controversies, disputes and other contingent matters, including the items described in this Note. Some of these claims, controversies, disputes and other contingent matters involve litigation or other contested proceedings. With respect to these proceedings, the Company intends to vigorously protect and defend its interests and pursue its rights. However, no assurance can be given as to the ultimate outcome of any particular matter because litigation and other contested proceedings are inherently subject to numerous uncertainties. With respect to matters that affect Avista Utilities' operations, the Company intends to seek, to the extent appropriate, recovery of incurred costs through the ratemaking process. With respect to matters discussed in this Note that affect Avista Energy (particularly the California Refund Proceeding), any potential liabilities or refunds remain at Avista Corp. and/or its subsidiaries and were not assumed by Shell Energy and/or its affiliates.

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Inquiry

On April 19, 2004, the FERC issued an order approving the contested Agreement in Resolution of Section 206 Proceeding (Agreement in Resolution) reached by Avista Corp. doing business as Avista Utilities, Avista Energy and the FERC's Trial Staff with respect to an investigation into the activities of Avista Utilities and Avista Energy in western energy markets during 2000 and 2001. In the Agreement in Resolution, the FERC Trial Staff stated that its investigation found: (1) no evidence that any executives or employees of Avista Utilities or Avista Energy knowingly engaged in or facilitated any improper trading strategy; (2) no evidence that Avista Utilities or Avista Energy engaged in any efforts to manipulate the western energy markets during 2000 and 2001; and (3) that Avista Utilities and Avista Energy did not withhold relevant information from the FERC's inquiry into the western energy markets for 2000 and 2001. In April 2005 and June 2005, the California Parties and the City of Tacoma, respectively, filed petitions for review of the FERC's decisions approving the Agreement in Resolution with the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit (Ninth Circuit). Based on the FERC's order approving the Agreement in Resolution and the FERC's denial of rehearing requests, the Company does not expect that this proceeding will have any material adverse effect on its financial condition, results of operations or cash flows.

California Refund Proceeding

In July 2001, the FERC ordered an evidentiary hearing to determine the amount of refunds due to California energy buyers for purchases made in the spot markets operated by the California Independent System Operator (CalISO) and the California Power Exchange (CalPX) during the period from October 2, 2000 to June 20, 2001 (Refund Period). The findings of the FERC administrative law judge were largely adopted in March 2003 by the FERC. The refunds ordered are based on the development of a mitigated market clearing price (MMCP) methodology. If the refunds required by the formula would cause a seller to recover less than its actual costs for the Refund Period, the FERC has held that the seller would be allowed to document these costs and limit its refund liability commensurately. In September 2005, Avista Energy submitted its cost filing claim pursuant to the FERC's August 2005 order and demonstrated an overall revenue shortfall for sales into the California spot markets during the Refund Period after the MMCP methodology is applied to its transactions. That filing was accepted in orders issued by the FERC in January 2006 and November 2006. In its February 2007 status report, the CalISO stated that it intends to process Avista Energy's cost offset filing (see further discussion regarding the California refund rerun below).

In 2001, Pacific Gas & Electric (PG&E) and Southern California Edison (SCE) defaulted on payment obligations to the CalPX and the CalISO. As a result, the CalPX and the CalISO failed to pay various energy sellers, including Avista Energy. Both PG&E and the CalPX declared bankruptcy in 2001. In March 2002, SCE paid its defaulted obligations to the CalPX. In April 2004, PG&E paid its defaulted obligations into an escrow fund in accordance with its bankruptcy reorganization. Funds held by the CalPX and in the PG&E escrow fund are not subject to release until the FERC issues an order directing such release in the California refund proceeding. As of June 30, 2008, Avista Energy's accounts receivable outstanding related to defaulting parties in California were fully offset by reserves for uncollected amounts and funds collected from defaulting parties.

In addition, in June 2003, the FERC issued an order to review bids above \$250 per MW made by participants in the short-term energy markets operated by the CalISO and the CalPX from May 1, 2000 to October 2, 2000. In May 2004, the FERC provided notice that Avista Energy was no longer subject to this investigation. In March and April 2005, the California Parties and PG&E, respectively, petitioned for review of the FERC's decision by the Ninth Circuit. In addition, many of the other orders that the FERC has issued in the California refund proceedings are now on appeal before the Ninth Circuit. Some of those issues were consolidated as a result of a case management conference conducted in September 2004. In October 2004, the Ninth Circuit ordered that briefing proceed in two rounds. The first round is limited to three issues: (1) which parties are subject to the FERC's refund jurisdiction in light of the exemption for government-owned utilities in section 201(f) of the Federal Power Act (FPA); (2) the temporal scope of refunds under section 206 of the FPA; and (3) which categories of transactions are subject to refunds. In September 2005, the Ninth Circuit held that the FERC did not have the authority to order refunds for sales made by municipal

utilities in the California Refund Case. In its Order on Remand, issued in October 2007, the FERC ordered the CalISO and the CalPX to complete their refund calculations, including all entities that participated in the CalISO/CalPX markets (including those amounts that would have been paid by municipal utility entities for their sales into the CalISO and the CalPX spot markets during the refund period). The FERC then directed the CalISO to reduce refunds owed to refund recipients by the amounts attributable to municipal sales to the California markets.

In August 2006, the Ninth Circuit upheld October 2, 2000 as the refund effective date for the FPA section 206 Refund Proceeding, but remanded to the FERC its decision not to consider a FPA section 309 remedy for tariff violations prior to October 2, 2000. The Ninth Circuit also granted California's petition for review challenging the FERC's exclusion of the energy exchange transactions as well as the FERC's exclusion of forward market transactions from the California refund proceedings. Petitions for rehearing were filed on November 16, 2007. It is unclear at this time what impact, if any, the Court's remand might have on Avista Energy. The second round of issues and their corresponding briefing schedules have not yet been set by the Ninth Circuit.

The CalISO continues to work on its compliance filing for the Refund Period, which will show "who owes what to whom." The CalISO completed the preparatory and the FERC refund reruns, as well as much of the financial adjustment phase and is now completing refund interest calculations. In its March 2008 status report, the CalISO stated that once the FERC addresses all of the "open issues" before it, the CalISO intends to: (1) perform the necessary adjustment to remove refunds associated with non-jurisdictional entities and allocate that shortfall to net refund recipients; and (2) work with the parties to the various global settlements to make appropriate adjustments to the CalISO's data in order to properly reflect those adjustments. The California Parties expressed concern that this approach may not be workable and stated that further discussions are needed. In its May 2008 status report, the CalISO agreed to further discussions on these issues. Accordingly, the CalISO does not present any date when it expects the compliance filing to be completed. Rather, the CalISO has stated that it will provide more details regarding the settlement adjustment phase in subsequent data reports.

Any potential liabilities or refunds owed by or to Avista Energy in the California Refund Proceeding were retained by Avista Corp. and/or its subsidiaries and have not been transferred to Shell Energy and/or its affiliates.

Because the resolution of the California refund proceeding remains uncertain, legal counsel cannot express an opinion on the extent of the Company's liability, if any. However, based on information currently known to the Company's management, the Company does not expect that the California refund proceeding will have a material adverse effect on its financial condition, results of operations or cash flows. This is primarily due to the fact that FERC orders have stated that any refunds will be netted against unpaid amounts owed to the respective parties and the Company does not believe that refunds would exceed unpaid amounts owed to the Company.

Pacific Northwest Refund Proceeding

In July 2001, the FERC initiated a preliminary evidentiary hearing to develop a factual record as to whether prices for spot market sales of wholesale energy in the Pacific Northwest between December 25, 2000, and June 20, 2001, were just and reasonable. During the hearing, Avista Corp., doing business as Avista Utilities, and Avista Energy vigorously opposed claims that rates for spot market sales were unjust and unreasonable and that the imposition of refunds would be appropriate. In June 2003, the FERC terminated the Pacific Northwest refund proceedings, after finding that the equities do not justify the imposition of refunds. These equitable factors included the fact that the participants in the Pacific Northwest market include not only utilities and other entities that are subject to FERC jurisdiction, but also a very substantial number of governmental entities that are not subject to FERC jurisdiction with respect to wholesale sales and thus could not be ordered by the FERC to make refunds based on existing law. Seven petitions for review were filed with the Ninth Circuit challenging the merits of the FERC's decision not to order refunds and raising procedural issues.

On August 24, 2007, the Ninth Circuit issued its opinion on the consolidated petitions for review of the Pacific Northwest refund proceeding. The Ninth Circuit found that the FERC, in denying the request for refunds, had failed to take into account new evidence of market manipulation in the California energy market and its potential ties to the Pacific Northwest energy market and that such failure was arbitrary and capricious and, accordingly, remanded the case to the FERC, stating that the FERC's findings must be reevaluated in light of the evidence. In addition, the Ninth Circuit concluded that the FERC abused its discretion in denying potential relief for transactions involving energy that was purchased in the Pacific Northwest and ultimately consumed in California. The Ninth Circuit expressly declined to direct the FERC to grant refunds. Requests for rehearing were filed on December 17, 2007.

Both Avista Utilities and Avista Energy were buyers and sellers of energy in the Pacific Northwest energy market during the period between December 25, 2000, and June 20, 2001, and, if refunds were ordered by the FERC, could be liable to make payments, but also could be entitled to receive refunds from other FERC-jurisdictional entities. The opportunity to make claims against non-jurisdictional entities may be limited based on existing law. The Company cannot predict the outcome of this proceeding or the amount of any refunds that Avista Utilities or Avista Energy could be ordered to

make or could be entitled to receive. Therefore, the Company cannot predict the potential impact the outcome of this matter could ultimately have on the Company's results of operations, financial condition or cash flows.

California Attorney General Complaint

In May 2002, the FERC conditionally dismissed a complaint filed in March 2002 by the Attorney General of the State of California (California AG) that alleged violations of the Federal Power Act by the FERC and all sellers (including Avista Corp. and its subsidiaries) of electric power and energy into California. The complaint alleged that the FERC's adoption and implementation of market-based rate authority was flawed and, as a result, individual sellers should refund the difference between the rate charged and a just and reasonable rate. In May 2002, the FERC issued an order dismissing the complaint but directing sellers to re-file certain transaction summaries. It was not clear that Avista Corp. and its subsidiaries were subject to this directive but the Company took the conservative approach and re-filed certain transaction summaries in June and July of 2002. In July 2002, the California AG requested a rehearing on the FERC order, which request was denied in September 2002. Subsequently, the California AG filed a Petition for Review of the FERC's decision with the Ninth Circuit. In September 2004, the Ninth Circuit upheld the FERC's market-based rate authority, but held that the FERC erred in ruling that it lacked authority to order refunds for violations of its reporting requirement. The Court remanded the case for further proceedings, but did not order any refunds leaving it to the FERC to consider appropriate remedial options. Nonetheless, the California AG has interpreted the decision as providing authority to the FERC to order refunds in the California refund proceeding for an expanded refund period.

In March 2008, the FERC issued an order establishing a trial-type hearing to address "whether any individual public utility seller's violation of the Commission's market-based rate quarterly reporting requirement led to an unjust and unreasonable rate for that particular seller in California during the 2000-2001 period." Purchasers in the California markets will be allowed to present evidence that "any seller that violated the quarterly reporting requirement failed to disclose an increased market share sufficient to give it the ability to exercise market power and thus cause its market-based rates to be unjust and unreasonable." In particular, the parties are directed to address whether the seller at any point reached a 20 percent generation market share threshold, and if the seller did reach a 20 percent market share, whether other factors were present to indicate that the seller did not have the ability to exercise market power. Based on information currently known to the Company's management, the Company does not expect that this matter will have a material adverse effect on its financial condition, results of operations or cash flows.

State of Montana Proceedings

In June 2003, the Attorney General of the State of Montana (Montana AG) filed a complaint in the Montana District Court on behalf of the people of Montana and the Flathead Electric Cooperative, Inc. against numerous companies, including Avista Corp. The complaint alleges that the companies illegally manipulated western electric and natural gas markets in 2000 and 2001. This case was subsequently moved to the United States District Court for the District of Montana; however, it has since been remanded back to the Montana District Court.

The Montana AG also petitioned the Montana Public Service Commission (MPSC) to fine public utilities \$1,000 a day for each day it finds they engaged in alleged "deceptive, fraudulent, anticompetitive or abusive practices" and order refunds when consumers were forced to pay more than just and reasonable rates. In February 2004, the MPSC issued an order initiating investigation of the Montana retail electricity market for the purpose of determining whether there is evidence of unlawful manipulation of that market. The Montana AG has requested specific information from Avista Energy and Avista Corp. regarding their transactions within the state of Montana during the period from January 1, 2000 through December 31, 2001.

Because the resolution of these proceedings remains uncertain, legal counsel cannot express an opinion on the extent, if any, of the Company's liability. However, based on information currently known to the Company's management, the Company does not expect that these proceedings will have a material adverse effect on its financial condition, results of operations or cash flows.

Colstrip Generating Project Complaints

In May 2003, various parties (all of which are residents or businesses of Colstrip, Montana) filed complaints against the owners of the Colstrip Generating Project (Colstrip) in Montana District Court. Avista Corp. owns a 15 percent interest in Units 3 & 4 of Colstrip. The plaintiffs alleged damages to buildings as a result of foundation settlement caused by seepage from Colstrip's freshwater surge pond. Avista Corp.'s ownership interest in the freshwater surge pond is approximately 11 percent. The plaintiffs also alleged contamination and trespass damages resulting from leakage from several of Colstrip's process ponds, most of which are for Units 1 & 2 ponds of which Avista Corp. has no ownership interest. In April 2008, the owners of Colstrip reached a settlement with the plaintiffs. Under the settlement, Avista Corp.'s portion of the payment to the plaintiffs was \$2.1 million. There is the potential for Avista Corp. to recover a portion of this payment through insurance. The Company filed petitions with the WUTC and the IPUC to defer any payments as a regulatory asset, in order to allow for potential future recovery through future rates. The Company believes it is probable that such costs will be recovered through the ratemaking process.

In March 2007, two families that own property near the holding ponds from Units 3 & 4 of Colstrip filed a complaint against the owners of Colstrip and Hydrometrics, Inc. in Montana District Court. The plaintiffs allege that the holding ponds and remediation activities have adversely impacted their property. They allege contamination, decrease in water tables, reduced flow of streams on their property and other similar impacts to their property. They also seek punitive damages, attorney's fees and other relief similar to that asserted in the litigation described above. No trial date has been set. Because the resolution of this complaint remains uncertain, legal counsel cannot express an opinion on the extent, if any, of the Company's liability. However, based on information currently known to the Company's management, the Company does not expect this complaint will have a material adverse effect on its financial condition, results of operations or cash flows.

Colstrip Royalty Claim

Western Energy Company (WECO) supplies coal to the owners of Colstrip Units 3 & 4 under a Coal Supply Agreement and a Transportation Agreement. Avista Corp. owns a 15 percent interest in Colstrip Units 3 & 4. The Minerals Management Service (MMS) of the United States Department of the Interior issued orders to WECO to pay additional royalties concerning coal delivered to Colstrip Units 3 & 4 via the conveyor belt. The owners of Colstrip Units 3 & 4 take delivery of the coal at the beginning of the conveyor belt. The orders assert that additional royalties are owed to MMS as a result of WECO not paying royalties in connection with revenue received by WECO from the owners of Colstrip Units 3 & 4 under the Transportation Agreement during the period October 1, 1991 through December 31, 2004. WECO's appeal to the MMS for the period through 2001 was substantially denied in March 2005; WECO appealed the orders pertaining to the periods up to 2001 to the Board of Land Appeals of the U.S. Department of the Interior, which appeal was denied on September 12, 2007. WECO also filed an appeal with the MMS pertaining to the period from 2002 to 2004. Additional coal production taxes may be owed to the state of Montana depending on the outcome of the MMS appeals. The owners of Colstrip Units 3 & 4 are monitoring the appeal process between WECO and MMS. WECO has indicated to the owners of Colstrip Units 3 & 4 that if WECO is unsuccessful in the appeal process, WECO will seek reimbursement of any royalty payments and related taxes by passing these costs through the Coal Supply Agreement. Although the owners of Colstrip believe they have reasonable defenses in this matter, they are currently discussing a settlement with WECO. If the MMS and Montana Department of Revenue prevail, and WECO were to prevail in seeking reimbursement of all payments from the owners of Colstrip, Avista Corp. estimates that its maximum share of the royalties, taxes and interest alleged would be approximately \$6 million. Based on information currently known to the Company's management, the Company does not expect that this issue will have a material adverse effect on its financial condition, results of operations or cash flows. However, the Company would most likely seek recovery, through the ratemaking process, of any amounts paid.

Harbor Oil Inc. Site

Avista Corp. used Harbor Oil Inc. (Harbor Oil) for the recycling of waste oil and non-PCB transformer oil in the late 1980s and early 1990s. In June 2005, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Region 10 provided notification to Avista Corp. and several other parties, as customers of Harbor Oil, that the EPA had determined that hazardous substances were released at the Harbor Oil site in Portland, Oregon and that Avista Corp. and several other parties may be liable for investigation and cleanup of the site under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act, commonly referred to as the federal "Superfund" law. The initial indication from the EPA is that the site may be contaminated with PCBs, petroleum hydrocarbons, chlorinated solvents and heavy metals. Six potentially responsible parties, including Avista Corp., signed an Administrative Order on Consent with the EPA on May 31, 2007 to conduct a remedial investigation and feasibility study (RI/FS). The total cost of the RI/FS is estimated to be \$1.2 million and will take approximately 2 1/2 years to complete. The actual cleanup, if any, will not occur until the RI/FS is complete. Based on the review of its records related to Harbor Oil, the Company does not believe it is a major contributor to this potential environmental contamination based on the relative volume of waste oil delivered to the Harbor Oil site. However, there is currently not enough information to allow the Company to assess the probability or amount of a liability, if any, being incurred. As such, it is not possible to make an estimate of any liability at this time.

Lake Coeur d'Alene

In July 1998, the United States District Court for the District of Idaho issued its finding that the Coeur d'Alene Tribe of Idaho (Tribe) owns, among other things, portions of the bed and banks of Lake Coeur d'Alene (Lake) lying within the current boundaries of the Coeur d'Alene Reservation. This action was brought by the United States on behalf of the Tribe against the state of Idaho. The Company was not a party to this action. The United States District Court decision was affirmed by the Ninth Circuit. The United States Supreme Court affirmed this decision in June 2001. This ownership decision results in, among other things, the Company being liable to the Tribe for compensation for the use of reservation lands under Section 10(e) of the Federal Power Act.

The Company's Post Falls Hydroelectric Generating Station (Post Falls), a facility constructed in 1906 with annual generation of 10 aMW, utilizes a dam on the Spokane River downstream of the Lake which controls the water level in the Lake for portions of the year (including portions of the lakebed owned by the Tribe). The Company has other

hydroelectric facilities on the Spokane River downstream of Post Falls, but these facilities do not affect the water level in the Lake. The Company and the Tribe are engaged in discussions related to past and future compensation (which may include interest) for use of the portions of the bed and banks of the Lake, which are owned by the Tribe. If the parties cannot agree on the amount of compensation, the matter could result in litigation. The Company intends to seek recovery, through the ratemaking process, of any amounts paid.

Spokane River Relicensing

The Company owns and operates six hydroelectric plants on the Spokane River, and five of these (Long Lake, Nine Mile, Upper Falls, Monroe Street and Post Falls, which have a total present capability of 155.7 MW) are under one FERC license and are referred to as the Spokane River Project. The sixth, Little Falls, is operated under separate Congressional authority and is not licensed by the FERC. Since the FERC was unable to issue new license orders prior to the August 1, 2007 (and subsequent August 1, 2008) expiration of the current license, annual licenses were issued, in effect extending the current license and its conditions until August 1, 2009. The Company has no reason to believe that Spokane River Project operations will be interrupted in any manner relative to the timing of the FERC's actions.

The Company filed a Notice of Intent to Relicense in July 2002. The formal consultation process involving planning and information gathering with stakeholder groups lasted through July 2005, when the Company filed its new license applications with the FERC. The Company requested the FERC to consider a license for Post Falls, which has a present capability of 18 MW, that is separate from the other four hydroelectric plants because Post Falls presents more complex issues that may take longer to resolve than those relating to the rest of the Spokane River Project. If granted, the new licenses would have terms of 30 to 50 years. In the license applications, the Company proposed a number of measures intended to address the impact of the Spokane River Project and enhance resources associated with the Spokane River.

Since the Company's July 2005 filing of applications to relicense the Spokane River Project, the FERC has continued various stages of processing the applications. In May 2006, the FERC issued a notice requesting other parties to provide terms and conditions regarding the two license applications. In response to that notice, a number of parties (including the Coeur d'Alene Tribe, the state of Idaho, Washington state agencies, and the United States Department of Interior (DOI)) filed either recommended terms and conditions, pursuant to Sections 10(a) and 10(j) of the Federal Power Act (FPA), or mandatory conditions related to the Post Falls application, pursuant to Section 4(e) of the FPA. The Company's initial estimate of the potential cost of the conditions proposed for Post Falls total between \$400 million and \$500 million over a 50-year period. For the rest of the Spokane River Project, which is located in Washington, the Company's initial estimate of the cost of meeting the recommended conditions, should they be included in a final license, totaled between \$175 million and \$225 million over a 50-year period. These cost estimates were based on the preliminary conditions and recommendations.

The Company requested a trial-type hearing in front of an Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) on facts related to the DOI's mandatory conditions for Post Falls. In January 2007, the ALJ issued his ruling regarding the Company's challenge of the facts. The Company believes that the ALJ's findings supported, in several key areas, its analysis of the facts at hand. The ALJ's factual findings also supported the DOI's analysis in certain areas as well.

The DOI issued final mandatory conditions for Post Falls on May 7, 2007, which reflected the findings of the ALJ. Most significantly, the DOI dropped an earlier proposed fishery condition. However, the DOI increased obligations that the Company could incur in other areas, such as wetlands restoration.

In July 2007, the FERC issued a Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) after review and consideration of comments. This is the last administrative step for the FERC before the issuance of license orders; however, the FERC cannot proceed until several other matters are resolved, including Clean Water Act and Endangered Species Act issues as disclosed below. The Company continues to review the FEIS and related documents. While the Company believes the ultimate cost of relicensing will be less than its earlier projections as disclosed above, the Company has not finalized specific new cost estimates at this point.

The relicensing process also triggers review under the Endangered Species Act. In the FEIS, the FERC analyzed potential project impacts on listed and threatened endangered species, and has determined that the proposed action and continued operation of Post Falls and the rest of the Spokane River Project is not likely to adversely affect any threatened or endangered species. The Company prepared a draft Biological Assessment in 2005. The FERC has issued a Biological Assessment and formally requested concurrence from the United States Department of Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS). The USFWS responded by letter, concurring with regards to bald eagles, and requesting additional information regarding bull trout. The Company filed a supplemental report to address the USFWS information request. The Company has continued informal consultation with the USFWS. The Company and USFWS are working together to determine how best to address potential impacts to bull trout.

The Company must receive Clean Water Act Certification (CWAC) from the states of Idaho and Washington for the Spokane River Project. Applications for such certification were filed in July 2006 with each state. The Idaho

Department of Environmental Quality (IDEQ) subsequently issued its final CWAC on June 5, 2008. The Idaho CWAC was based on a settlement agreement between IDEQ, Idaho Department of Fish and Game, and Avista Corp. The Washington Department of Ecology (DOE) issued its final CWAC on June 10, 2008. The Company and two other parties appealed the Washington CWAC on a number of accounts. In addition to the appeals, the Spokane Tribe initiated the Clean Water Act 401(a) (2) process, in which the FERC and the EPA will determine whether or not the Washington CWAC meets the Spokane Tribe's water quality standards.

The FERC is precluded from issuing a license order until the Endangered Species Act consultation is complete and the CWACs are issued or waived by the states, or any appeals resolved. The Company cannot predict the schedule for these final phases of relicensing.

The total annual operating and capitalized costs associated with the relicensing of the Spokane River Project will become better known and estimable as the process continues. The Company will continue to seek recovery, through the ratemaking process, of all such operating and capitalized costs.

Clark Fork Settlement Agreement

Dissolved atmospheric gas levels exceed state of Idaho and federal water quality standards downstream of the Cabinet Gorge Hydroelectric Generating Project (Cabinet Gorge) during periods when excess river flows must be diverted over the spillway. Under the terms of the Clark Fork Settlement Agreement, the Company developed an abatement and mitigation strategy with the other signatories to the agreement and completed the Gas Supersaturation Control Program (GSCP). The Idaho Department of Environmental Quality and the USFWS approved the GSCP in February 2004 and the FERC issued an order approving the GSCP in January 2005.

The GSCP provides for the opening and modification of one and, potentially, both of the two existing diversion tunnels built when Cabinet Gorge was originally constructed. When river flows exceed the capacity of the powerhouse turbines, the excess flows would be diverted to the tunnels rather than released over the spillway. The Company has undertaken physical and computer modeling studies to confirm the feasibility and likely effectiveness of the tunnel solution. Analysis of the predicted total dissolved gas (TDG) performance indicates that the tunnels will not meet the performance criteria anticipated in the GSCP. In August 2007, the Gas Supersaturation Subcommittee concluded that the tunnel project does not meet the expectations of the GSCP and is not an acceptable project. As a result, the Company has met and will continue meeting with key stakeholders to review and amend the GSCP which includes developing alternatives to the construction of the tunnels. Through a collaborative process with key stakeholders, the Company has expended \$4.8 million on the tunnel project. The Company is seeking recovery, through the ratemaking process, of the costs to address the dissolved atmospheric gas levels.

The USFWS has listed bull trout as threatened under the Endangered Species Act. The Clark Fork Settlement Agreement describes programs intended to restore bull trout populations in the project area. Using the concept of adaptive management and working closely with the USFWS, the Company is evaluating the feasibility of fish passage at Cabinet Gorge and Noxon Rapids. The results of these studies will help the Company and other parties determine the best use of funds toward continuing fish passage efforts or other bull trout population enhancement measures.

Air Quality

The Company must be in compliance with requirements under the Clean Air Act and Clean Air Act Amendments for its thermal generating plants. The Company continues to monitor legislative developments at both the state and national level for the potential of further restrictions on sulfur dioxide, nitrogen oxide and carbon dioxide, as well as other greenhouse gas and mercury emissions.

In particular, the EPA finalized mercury emission regulations that will affect coal-fired generation plants, including Colstrip. The new EPA regulations establish an emission trading program to take effect beginning in January 2010, with a second phase to take effect in 2018. In addition, in 2006, the Montana Department of Environmental Quality (Montana DEQ) adopted final rules for the control of mercury emissions from coal-fired plants that are more restrictive than EPA regulations. The new rules set strict mercury emission limits by 2010, and put in place a recurring ten-year review process to ensure facilities are keeping pace with advancing technology in mercury emission control. The rules also provide for temporary alternate emission limits provided certain provisions are met, and they allocate mercury emission credits in a manner that rewards the cleanest facilities. In February 2008, the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia overturned the EPA's mercury emissions regulations. However, this ruling is not expected to affect the Company's current plans to comply with the more restrictive regulations adopted by the Montana DEQ as described below.

Compliance with these new and proposed requirements and possible additional legislation or regulations will result in increases to capital expenditures and operating expenses for expanded emission controls at the Company's thermal generating facilities. The Company, along with the other owners of Colstrip, completed the first phase of testing on two

mercury control technologies. Although the mercury reduction targets as mandated by the Montana DEQ have not been achieved, the owners of Colstrip are encouraged with the preliminary results and believe it should be possible to achieve the required emissions levels with further mercury control system optimization. Preliminary estimates indicate that the Company's share of installation capital costs would be \$1.3 million and annual operating costs would increase by \$2.8 million (beginning in late-2009). The Company will continue to seek recovery, through the ratemaking process, of the costs to comply with various air quality requirements.

Residential Exchange Program

The residential exchange program is intended to provide access to the benefits of low-cost federal hydroelectricity to residential and small-farm customers of the region's private (investor owned) and public (governmental or customer owned) utilities. The Bonneville Power Administration (BPA) administers the residential exchange program under the Northwest Power Act. Previously, Avista Corp. and other private utilities in the Pacific Northwest executed settlement agreements with BPA to resolve each party's rights and obligations under the residential exchange program. These settlements covered payment of benefits for the period October 1, 2001, through September 30, 2011. The payments Avista Corp. received under the agreements with the BPA were passed through to its residential and small-farm customers via a credit to their monthly electric bills.

Several public utilities and other parties filed suit against the BPA in the Ninth Circuit, challenging the validity of the agreements between Avista Corp. and the BPA, as well as BPA's agreements with other private utilities. On May 3, 2007, the Ninth Circuit ruled that the BPA exceeded its authority when it entered into the settlement agreements with private utilities (including Avista Corp.) for the period from 2001 through 2011. The BPA concluded that the Ninth Circuit's decisions created substantial doubt about whether its certifying official could allow continuation of payments under the settlement agreements. Consequently, on May 21, 2007, the BPA notified Avista Corp. and other private utilities that it was immediately suspending payments the BPA made to them pursuant to the settlement agreements. In its May 21, 2007 notice, the BPA indicated that the suspension of payments would continue at least until any requests for rehearing were filed and the Ninth Circuit issued final decisions on those requests for rehearing. On July 18, 2007 Avista Corp. and numerous other parties, including the Public Utility Commission of Oregon and the WUTC, filed petitions for review, and review en banc, in the Ninth Circuit, challenging the ruling of the panel that struck down the settlement agreements. The Ninth Circuit subsequently denied these requests. Three private utilities, including Avista Corp., filed a petition for writ of certiorari with the United States Supreme Court, which was subsequently denied.

In June 2007, with approval from the WUTC and the IPUC, Avista Corp. eliminated the credit associated with the settlement agreements with the BPA from its customers' monthly electric bills.

Beginning in June 2007, the region's private and public utilities worked toward an agreement that would identify an appropriate level of benefits for customers served by the private utilities, including the resolution of outstanding legal issues associated with the May 3, 2007 Ninth Circuit opinions. The BPA is working on a long-term resolution of residential exchange issues as part of its 2009 rate case. In addition to resolving residential exchange issues for the long-term, the BPA also proposed an interim payout to private utilities for its fiscal year 2008. Avista Corp. accepted the interim offer from the BPA and received a payment of \$9.6 million in April 2008. Rate adjustments to pass through the interim payment to Avista Corp.'s customers were approved by the WUTC and IPUC in April 2008.

Since the residential exchange settlement payments are passed through to Avista Corp.'s customers as adjustments to electric bills, there is no effect on Avista Corp.'s net income. There is currently not enough information to allow Avista Corp. to assess the probability or amount of any potential liability that may be incurred related to any issues regarding payments made to Avista Corp. pursuant to the settlement agreements. Since 2001, Avista Corp. passed through to its customers approximately \$70 million pursuant to the settlement agreements. The Company would seek recovery, through the ratemaking process, if payments were required to be made to the BPA.

Interstate Natural Gas Distribution Line

On July 29, 2008, the Company discovered that it may have constructed a natural gas distribution line across the Oregon-California border in July 2008 without proper authorization for such construction. As a result, the Company may be subject to penalties from the FERC. At this time, the Company is unable to estimate the amount of penalties, if any, that may be imposed by the FERC. However, based on information currently known to the Company's management, the Company does not expect this matter will have a material adverse effect on its financial condition, results of operations or cash flows.

Other Contingencies

In the normal course of business, the Company has various other legal claims and contingent matters outstanding. The Company believes that any ultimate liability arising from these actions will not have a material adverse impact on its financial condition, results of operations or cash flows. It is possible that a change could occur in the Company's estimates of the probability or amount of a liability being incurred. Such a change, should it occur, could be significant.



INCOME STATEMENT June 30, 2008

	Current Month		Year-To-Date	
	This Year	Last Year	This Year	Last Year
OPERATING REVENUES:				
Electric Operating Revenue Gas Operating Revenue	\$ 59,173,767 41,516,830	\$ 56,839,935 28,353,593	\$407,250,809 392,007,536	\$354,312,026 328,285,768
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUE	100,690,597	85,193,528	799,258,345	682,597,794
RESOURCE EXPENSE:				
Electric Resource Expense	16,348,819	18,558,979	182,583,614	144,300,314
Gas Resource Expense	36,187,254	23,417,549	319,059,041	261,540,424
TOTAL RESOURCE EXPENSE	52,536,073	41,976,528	501,642,655	405,840,738
GROSS MARGIN:				
Electric GM	42,824,948	38,280,956	224,667,195	210,011,711
Gas GM	5,329,577	4,936,044	72,948,495	66,745,344
TOTAL GROSS MARGIN	48,154,525	43,217,000	297,615,690	276,757,056
Taxes Other Than Income	5,249,865	5,179,426	40,308,071	39,045,385
Other Operating Expenses	16,361,638	15,561,066	102,905,811	96,826,217
Plant Depr & Amortization	7,297,848	7,125,775	43,356,141	42,387,684
PRE-TAX OPERATING INCOME/(LOSS)	19,245,174	15,350,733	111,045,667	98,497,771
INCOME TAX (BENEFIT)/EXPENSE:				
Current	4,809,515	2,816,034	24,979,735	26,076,063
Deferred	642,278	669,718	2,106,136	(4,249,542)
TOTAL INCOME TAXES	5,451,793	3,485,752	27,085,871	21,826,521
UTILITY OPERATING INCOME	13,793,381	11,864,982	83,959,796	76,671,249



INCOME STATEMENT June 30, 2008

	Current Month		Year-To-Date	
	This Year	Last Year	This Year	Last Year
OPERATING REVENUES:				
Electric Operating Revenue	\$ 59,173,767	\$ 56,839,935	\$407,250,809	\$354,312,026
NON-OPER (INCOME)/EXPENSE:				
Non-Utility Operating Expense	483,433	1,390,849	3,602,046	5,277,874
(Gain)/Loss Disposition of Property	(235,841)	-	(259,292)	(200)
Amortization	92,548	92,548	555,286	555,286
Taxes Other Than Income Tax	17,162	15,823	76,067	11,183
Income Taxes - Current	(372,213)	(337,650)	383,427	(178,072)
Income Taxes - Deferred	(298,403)	(287,017)	(1,089,026)	(1,240,731)
TOTAL NON-OPER (INCOME)/EXPENS	(313,314)	874,553	3,268,509	4,425,340
FINANCING (INCOME)/EXPENSE:				
Interest and Dividend Income	(175,784)	(1,364,523)	(3,813,053)	(4,599,560)
Interest Expense	6,010,602	7,318,434	42,774,553	43,963,234
AFUDC	(628,387)	(788,499)	(3,608,048)	(4,302,956)
NET FINANCING EXPENSE	5,206,431	5,165,412	35,353,451	35,060,719
UTILITY INCOME FOR COMMON	8,900,264	5,825,016	45,337,836	37,185,191
SUBSIDIARY INCOME/(LOSS):				
Advantage IQ	566,731	585,248	3,452,613	3,368,089
Avista Energy	(11,157)	(3,316,152)	68,829	(11,291,608)
Other	6,336	(404,969)	160,028	(175,500)
Corp. OH Unalloc. (Net of FIT)	(36,946)	(405,816)	(245,715)	(808,416)
TOTAL EQUITY IN SUB EARNINGS	524,964	(3,541,689)	3,435,754	(8,907,435)
NET INCOME FOR COMMON	\$ 9,425,228	\$ 2,283,327	\$ 48,773,591	\$ 28,277,757

AVISTA CORPORATION An analysis of the income statement pro forma At June 30, 2008

DEBT

The estimated amount of issued debt would be \$83,700,000 at 7%.

Total costs spread over 22 years. $(\$83,700,000 \times 1.5\%) = \$1,255,500 / 22yr = \$57,068 per year$

Annual interest $(\$83,700,000 \times 7.0\%) = \$5,859,000$

Total annual costs \$5,859,000 + \$57,068 = \$5,916,068

Savings on retirement of outstanding borrowings $(\$17,000,000 \times 5.125\%) = \$871,250$ $(\$66,700,000 \times 5.00\%) = \$3,335,000$ Total savings \$4,206,250

Total new costs \$5,916,068 - \$4,206,250 = 1,709,818

Exhibit J

AVISTA CORPORATION Proposed journal entry Dollars in Millions

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