## **BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION**

## **OF OREGON**

## LC 81

In the Matter of the Application of:

AVISTA CORPORATION dba. AVISTA UTILITIES

2023 Natural Gas Integrated Resource Plan

ALLIANCE OF WESTERN ENERGY CONSUMERS' NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST ISSUE FUND GRANT

Pursuant to OAR § 860-001-0120 and the Fifth Amended and Restated Intervenor Funding Agreement ("IFA"), approved by the Oregon Public Utility Commission ("Commission") in Order No. 22-506 (December 29, 2022), Alliance of Western Energy Consumer's ("AWEC") hereby respectfully submit this Notice of Intent to Request an Issue Fund Grant in Docket No. LC 81. As required by the IFA, AWEC asserts the following:

1. LC 81 is an Eligible Proceeding under the IFA. The IFA defines an Eligible Proceeding as "any Commission proceeding that directly affects one or more of the Participating Public Utilities." IFA, Section 1(c). LC 81 will directly affect Avista Corporation dba Avista Utilities, a Participating Public Utility under Section 1(k) of the IFA. Therefore, an Issue Fund Grant is permissible under Section 6.1 of the IFA.

2. As required by IFA Section 6.2, this Notice of Intent is being served on each affected Participating Public Utility, all pre-certified organizations, and all parties identified on the service list for LC 81.

3. AWEC identifies the Avista Issue Fund Account as the account from which AWEC intends to request the Issue Fund Grant. The amount of the request will depend on the availability of funds in that account when AWEC submits a budget.

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4. AWEC has been precertified under Section 5.2 of the IFA and OAR § 860-001-

0120(3) as eligible to receive an Issue Fund Grant.

5. AWEC will submit a budget in accordance with Section 6.3 of the IFA.

Dated this 9<sup>th</sup> day of June 2023.

Respectfully submitted,

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