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VIA ELECTRONIC FILING & U.S. MAIL

Oregon Public Utility Commission Attn: Filing Center 550 Capitol Street, N.E., #215 P.O. Box 2148 Salem, Oregon 97308-2148

Re: In the Matter of AVISTA CORPORATION, dba Avista Utilities Request for General Rate Revision **Docket No. UG-246**

Dear Filing Center:

Enclosed please find the original and one (1) copy of the NORTHWEST INDUSTRIAL GAS USERS' NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST AN ISSUE FUND GRANT in the above-referenced docket.

Thank you for your assistance with this filing. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Very truly yours,

Tommy A. Brooks

TAB:sk Enclosures

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

OF OREGON

UG 246

In the Matter of

AVISTA CORPORATION dba AVISTA UTILITIES

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

Request for a General Rate Revision

Pursuant to OAR § 860-001-0120 and the Second Amended and Restated Intervenor Funding Agreement ("IFA"), approved by the Oregon Public Utility Commission ("Commission") in Order No. 12-452 on November 20, 2012, Northwest Industrial Gas Users ("NWIGU") hereby respectfully submit this Notice of Intent to Request an Issue Fund Grant in Docket No. UG 246. As required by the IFA, NWIGU asserts the following:

1. UG 246 is an Eligible Proceeding under the IFA. The IFA defines an Eligible Proceeding as "any Commission proceeding that directly affects one or more of the Participating Public Utilities." IFA, Section 1(c). UG 246 will directly affect Avista Corporation dba Avista Utilities ("Avista"), a Participating Public Utility under Section 1(k) of the IFA. Therefore, an Issue Fund Grant is permissible under Section 6.1 of the IFA.

2. As required by IFA Section 6.2, this Notice of Intent is being served on each affected Participating Public Utility, all pre-certified organizations, and all parties identified on the service list for UG 246.

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

4. NWIGU has been precertified under Section 5.2 of the IFA and OAR § 860-001-0120(3) as eligible to receive an Issue Fund Grant. 5. NWIGU will submit a budget in accordance with Section 6.3 of the IFA.
NWIGU will also coordinate with the Citizens' Utility Board of Oregon, which has also filed a notice to seek an Issue Fund Grant from the same accounts identified in this notice.

Dated this 22nd day of August 2013.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I CERTIFY that I have on this day served the foregoing document upon all parties of

record in this proceeding via electronic mail and/or by mailing a copy properly addressed with

first class postage prepaid.

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Dated in Portland, Oregon, this 22nd day of August 2013.

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