BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

OF OREGON

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In the Matter of)
) THE NORTHWEST INDUSTRIAL
AVISTA UTILITIES) GAS USERS' PETITION TO
) INTERVENE
2006 Natural Gas Integrated Resource)
Plan	
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Pursuant to ORS § 756.525 and OAR § 860-012-0001, the Northwest Industrial Gas Users ("NWIGU") hereby submits this Petition to Intervene in the above-captioned proceeding and seeks party status as provided in OAR § 860-011-0035(7). In support of this Petition, NWIGU states as follows:

1. The name and address of NWIGU as a party of record in this proceeding is:

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- 2. NWIGU is a non-profit association comprised of thirty-two end-users of natural gas with major facilities in the States of Oregon, Washington, and Idaho. NWIGU members include diverse industrial interests, including food processing, pulp and paper, wood products, electric generation, aluminum, steel, chemicals, electronics, and aerospace. The Association provides an informational service to its members and participates in various regulatory matters that affect member interests. NWIGU member companies acquire natural gas sales and transportation services from Avista Utilities in Oregon.
- 3. Avista is in the process of developing its Integrated Resources Plan ("IRP"). As customers of Avista, NWIGU member companies will be impacted by the planning developed under the company's IRP. Accordingly, NWIGU has a direct and substantial interest in this proceeding.
- 4. NWIGU's participation in this proceeding will assist the Oregon Public Utility

 Commission in resolving the issues, and will not unreasonably broaden the issues, unduly
 burden the record, or delay the proceeding.

WHEREFORE, NWIGU respectfully requests leave to intervene and requests all the rights of a party in this proceeding.

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Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that I have on this day caused to be served the foregoing NOTHWEST INDUSTRIAL GAS USERS' PETITION TO INTERVENE on the attached Service List obtained on June 12, 2006 from the Oregon Public Utility Commission's Website as follows:

- [XX] by **MAILING** a full, true and correct copy thereof in a sealed, postagepaid envelope, addressed as shown on the attached Service List, and deposited with the U.S. Postal Service at Portland, Oregon, on the date set forth below;
- [XX] <u>and</u> by electronic mail ("e-mail") to those parties on the Oregon Public Utility Commission's Website Service List who listed an e-mail address.

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