# BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

#### OF OREGON

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In the Matter of the Application of AVISTA CORPORATION, DBA AVISTA UTILITIES for a General Rate Revision	) ) THE NORTHWEST INDUSTRIAL ) GAS USERS' PETITION TO ) INTERVENE and Waiver of Paper ) Service

Pursuant to ORS § 756.525 and OAR § 860-012-0001, the Northwest Industrial Gas Users ("NWIGU") hereby submit this Petition to Intervene in the above-captioned proceeding and seek 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-eight 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 purchase sales and transportation services from Oregon local distribution companies ("LDCs"), including Avista Corporation, DBA Avista Utilities ("Avista"), that acquire service from interstate pipelines.
- 3. On September 30, 2010 Avista filed an Application for a General Rate Revision seeking an overall rate increase of approximately 5.6 percent. As customers of Avista, NWIGU member companies will be impacted by any outcome in this proceeding. NWIGU therefore has a direct and substantial interest in this proceeding. No other party can adequately represent NWIGU member companies' interest and NWIGU will be affected by any Commission determination made in this proceeding.
- 4. NWIGU's participation in this proceeding will assist the Commission resolving the issues, and will not unreasonably broaden the issues, unduly burden the record, or delay the proceeding.
  - 5. NWIGU waives paper service of documents in this proceeding.

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

Dated this 7th day of October, 2010.

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 7th day of October, 2010.

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