## **BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION**

## **OF OREGON**

LC 61

In the Matter of

RULING

AVISTA CORPORATION dba AVISTA UTILITIES,

2014 Integrated Resource Plan.

## DISPOSITION: PETITION TO INTERVENE GRANTED FOR LIMITED PURPOSES

On September 24, 2014, the Northwest Industrial Gas Users (NWIGU) filed a petition to intervene in this docket. Although proceedings to review a utility's integrated resource plan (IRP) are not considered contested case proceedings under ORS 183.310(2), obtaining party status is necessary to be placed on the service list to receive copies of filings made by other parties, and to be eligible to sign a protective order to obtain access to confidential information (in the event a protective order is issued). For those reasons, the Commission will grant petitions to intervene in IRP dockets, even though party status does not confer the general rights and duties granted to individuals who participate in contested case proceedings.

The petition to intervene filed by NWIGU is granted for the limited purposes described above.

Dated this 8th day of October, 2014, at Salem, Oregon.

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Sarah Rowe Administrative Law Judge