BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

OF OREGON

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In the Matter of

AVISTA CORPORATION, DBA AVISTA UTILITIES,

BENCH REQUEST

Application for a General Rate Revision.

Avista Corporation, dba Avista Utilities, Staff of the Public Utility Commission of Oregon, the Oregon Citizens' Utility Board, and the Alliance of Western Energy Consumers (collectively the stipulating parties) filed two partial stipulations and joint testimony on July 3, 2019 and August 14, 2019, for the purpose of resolving all issues in this proceeding. The following bench requests are intended to facilitate a complete understanding of the rate impacts on customers, as well as, the adjustment related to the load forecast update relied upon in the second partial stipulation.

I request that the stipulating parties provide billing comparisons for each rate class for the rates proposed for effect January 15, 2020 under the two stipulations.

Refer to Stipulation at 10 and Avista Corporation, dba Avista Utilities, Request for a General Rate Revision, UG 288/UM 1753, Order No. 16-109 at 4 & n 2 (Mar 15, 2016) (noting lack of explanation for adjustment increasing revenue requirement associated with updated load forecast and indicating that parties should explain all adjustments in future cases, particularly those resulting in an increase to the revenue requirement). Provide a detailed description of the nature and scope of the updates to the load forecast relied upon in the second partial stipulation.

The stipulating parties are directed to file responses by close of business, Friday, September 20, 2019.

Dated this 6th day of September, 2019 at Salem, Oregon.

Alison Lackey Administrative Law Judge