BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

OF OREGON

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In the Matter of

AVISTA CORPORATION dba AVISTA UTILITIES,

PREHEARING CONFERENCE MEMORANDUM

2014 Integrated Resource Plan.

On September 22, 2014, the Public Utility Commission of Oregon held a prehearing conference in this docket. Representatives appeared on behalf of Avista Corporation, dba Avista Utilities; Northwest Industrial Gas Users (NWIGU); and Commission Staff.

Petitions to Intervene

On September 10, 2014, the Citizens' Utility Board of Oregon filed a notice of intervention as permitted by ORS 774.180.

Integrated Resource Planning (IRP) proceedings are not considered contested case proceedings under ORS 183.310(2)(a), however, obtaining party status is necessary to be placed on the service list for purposes of receiving copies of filings made by other parties and to be eligible to sign a protective order to obtain access to confidential information. 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 to individuals who participate in contested case proceedings.

Procedural Schedule

The parties agreed to the following procedural schedule, which was adopted:

EVENT	DATE
Company Presentation at Commission Public Meeting	October 14, 2014
Staff and Intervenor's Comments due	October 31, 2014
Company's Reply Comments due	November 26, 2014
Staff's Final Recommendations due	December 19, 2014
All Parties' Reply Comments due	January 28, 2015
Commission Public Meeting	February 24, 2015

Dated this 23rd day of September, 2014, at Salem, Oregon.

Sarah Rowe Administrative Law Judge