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**BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION	)	CASE NOS. AVU-E-19-04
OF AVISTA CORPORATION DBA AVISTA	)	
UTILITIES FOR AUTHORITY TO	)	COMMUNITY ACTION
INCREASE ITS RATES AND CHARGES FOR	)	PARTNERSHIP ASSOCIATION
ELECTRIC SERVICE TO ELECTRIC SERVICE	)	OF IDAHO'S PETITION TO
CUSTOMERS IN THE STATE OF IDAHO	)	TO INTERVENE
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COMES NOW, Community Action Partnership Association of Idaho (hereinafter "CAPAI" or "Intervenor") and, pursuant to Rules 071-076 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, IDAPA 31.01.01.071-076, hereby petitions the Commission for leave to intervene in this proceeding and to appear and participate with full party's rights. In support of this Petition, CAPAI states as follows:

1. The address and name of the Petitioner is:

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2. CAPAI will be represented in this proceeding by, and pleadings and other correspondence need only be sent to:

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3. CAPAI is a non-profit corporation consisting of six community action agencies serving every county in Idaho and also includes, among others, the statewide Community Council of Idaho and fights the causes and conditions of poverty through building the capacity and effectiveness of its members who have a direct and substantial interest in this proceeding. These causes and conditions of poverty are numerous and disparate and include increased utility rates such as those for AVISTA Corporation's low income rate payers.

Low income families pay a higher percentage of their income for utility expenses than those in other economic categories. CAPAI is typically the only party who intervenes in proceedings before the Commission specifically representing the low-income customers of public utilities. In particular, CAPAI has been involved in a considerable number of AVISTA proceedings before this Commission widely ranging in scope in recent years. CAPAI staff works with the utility on a regular basis for many reasons such as implementation and auditing of the Company's low-income weatherization program. If granted intervention in this case, CAPAI will address a variety of issues of importance to the general body of ratepayers.

CAPAI believes that it would fulfill an important role in this proceeding if given the opportunity to participate as a party. Consequently, it is fair to say that CAPAI has a direct and substantial interest in the subject matter of this proceeding and its intervention would not unduly broaden the issues presented by AVISTA's Application.

4. CAPAI respectfully requests the right to participate in this proceeding and to introduce testimony and exhibits, cross-examine other witnesses, engage in oral argument, file comments, and otherwise fully participate as a party.

WHEREFORE, the Community Action Partnership Association of Idaho hereby requests that this Commission grant its Petition to Intervene in this proceeding and to fully appear and participate as a party with all the rights and responsibilities as such.

DATED, this 15th day of July, 2019.

  
Brad M. Purdy



## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, the undersigned, hereby represent that on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2019, caused a true and correct copy of this Petition to Intervene to be served on the following both electronically and via U.S. Mail, First Class, Postage Prepaid (unless otherwise indicated).

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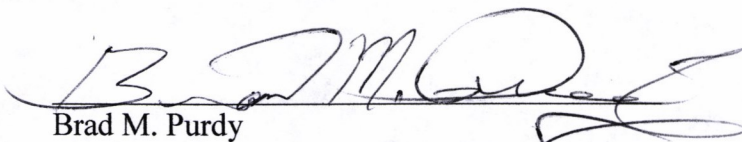
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