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Re: Case Nos. AVU-E-21-01 & AVU-G-21-01

Enclosed for electronic filing with the Commission in the above-referenced dockets are Avista Corporation's Motion for Approval of Stipulation and Settlement as well as the Settlement Stipulation itself. Please direct any questions related to this filing to Liz Andrews at 509.495.8601.

Sincerely,

/s/ David J. Meyer

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Vice President, Chief Counsel for Regulatory
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Enclosures

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that I have this 14th day of June, 2021, served Motion and Stipulation and Settlement in Case Nos. AVU-E-21-01/AVU-G-21-01, upon the following parties, by electronic mail:

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BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION)
OF AVISTA CORPORATION FOR) CASE NO. AVU-E-21-01
AUTHORITY TO INCREASE ITS RATES) CASE NO. AVU-G-21-01
AND CHARGES FOR ELECTRIC AND)
NATURAL GAS SERVICE TO ELECTRIC) **MOTION FOR APPROVAL OF**
AND NATURAL GAS CUSTOMERS IN) **STIPULATION AND SETTLEMENT**
THE STATE OF IDAHO)
_____)

Avista Corporation and the Staff of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission hereby move the Commission for an Order accepting the Settlement Stipulation filed herewith. See Commission Rules 56, 276 and 274.

1. On January 29, 2021, Avista filed an Application with the Commission for authority to increase revenue effective September 1, 2021, and September 1, 2022, for electric and natural gas service in Idaho. In this filing Avista requested a “Two-Year Rate Plan” with a Rate Year 1 electric base rate relief of \$24.8 million (10.1 percent) and natural gas base rate relief of \$52,000 (0.1 percent), effective September 1, 2021. This is before the effect of the Tax Customer Credit Tariff Schedules 76 (electric) and 176 (natural gas). The Company also

requested a Rate Year 2 electric base rate relief of \$8.7 million (3.2 percent) and natural gas base rate relief of \$1.0 million (2.2 percent), effective September 1, 2022. This is before the effect of the Deferred Depreciation Credit Tariff Schedule 177 (natural gas). By Order No. 34930, dated February 23, 2021, the Commission suspended the proposed schedules of rates and charges for electric and natural gas service.

2. Petitions to intervene in this proceeding were filed by Clearwater, Idaho Forest, CAPAI, Idaho Conservation League, and Walmart Inc. The Commission granted these interventions in IPUC Order Nos. 34940, 34953, 34958 and 34967.

3. A settlement conference was noticed and held on-line with the Commission on May 19, 2021, and was attended by all parties to this case. A second settlement conference was held on June 4, 2021, and based on these settlement discussions, the parties, whose signatures appear on the Stipulation, have agreed to resolve and settle all of the issues in the case. A copy of the signed Stipulation evidencing that settlement is enclosed as Attachment 1.

4. The parties recommend that the Commission grant this Motion and approve the Stipulation in its entirety, without material change or condition, pursuant to RP 274.

5. The parties respectfully request that the procedural schedule established in this case be amended to allow for the Parties to submit testimony in support of the Stipulation on July 19, 2021. Because of the Settlement, the June 23, 2021 date for the filing of Staff and Intervenor Testimony and the July 26, 2021 date for the filing of Company Rebuttal would be vacated. The hearing date, however, would remain.

6. As noted in the Stipulation, the parties agree that the Stipulation is in the public interest and that all of its terms and conditions are fair, just and reasonable.

7. All Parties support this Motion.

NOW, THEREFORE, the parties respectfully request that the Commission issue an order in Case Nos. AVU-E-21-01 & AVU-G-21-01:

1. Granting this Motion and accepting the Stipulation (Attachment 1), in its entirety, without material change or condition;

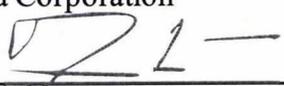
2. Revising the procedural schedule to allow for the filing of testimony in support of the Settlement on July 19, 2021, to vacate the June 23, 2021 Staff and Intervenor Testimony date and the July 26, 2021 Company Rebuttal date, and to maintain the August 2, 2021 hearing date;

3. Authorizing the Company to implement revised tariff schedules designed to reduce the annual electric revenue from Idaho customers consistent with the terms of the Stipulation; and

4. Authorizing that revised tariff schedules be made effective September 1, 2021, consistent with the terms of the Stipulation.

Respectfully submitted this 14th day of June, 2021.

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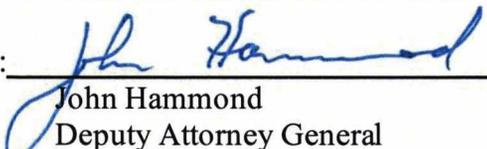
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