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Jan Noriyuki, Secretary  
Idaho Public Utilities Commission  
11331 W. Chinden Blvd. Bldg. 8, Ste. 201-A  
Boise, Idaho 83714

RE: Case No. AVU-E-21-02 – Application For Extension Of Service Territory Agreement With  
Kootenai Electric - **First Quarter 2021 Update**

Dear Ms. Noriyuki:

In Order No. 34924, the Idaho Public Utilities Commission approved Amendment No. 2 to the Service Territory Agreement between Avista and Kootenai Electric Cooperative, Inc (KEC). As a part of that Order, the Commission stated the following:

*To ensure that the parties diligently pursue a new service territory agreement, we direct the Company to provide the Commission with quarterly updates on progress and notify the Commission by October 1, 2021 if a new service territory agreement will be finalized.*

In summary, our talks are progressing and are productive. Avista and KEC met on Tuesday March 23rd to discuss the remaining issues related to the renewal of our Residential Service Territory Agreement. The meeting was dedicated in particular to educating one another regarding our operational approaches to construction. Both parties benefited from understand business models and required mandates from each of our governing agencies.

Avista will provide what we believe will be the final draft of the Residential Service Territory agreement to KEC no later than April 12th. Both parties have committed to meeting again before May 7th to discuss any minor revisions.

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Please direct any questions regarding this filing to me at 509-495-8620 or [patrick.ehrbar@avistacorp.com](mailto:patrick.ehrbar@avistacorp.com).

Sincerely,

*/s/ Patrick Ehrbar*

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