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## **UPDATES TO CAPACITY DEFICIENCY USED IN DETERMINING AVOIDED COST RATES; ORDER NO. 35466 IN CASE NO. AVU-E-22-02.**

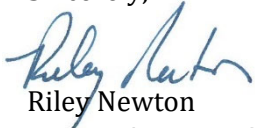
Order No. 35466 in Case No. AVU-E-22-02 established a new first capacity deficit date for Avista Corporation dba Avista Utilities (“Avista”) that will occur in December 2026. Staff updated the Surrogate Avoided Resource (“SAR”) Model and re-calculated avoided cost rates to reflect the new capacity deficit information.

The capacity deficiency information is entered on Tab “Input – Avista IRP” and is used by Tab “Input – Load and Resource” in the SAR Model. As a result, the avoided cost of capacity will be paid to new projects starting in the first deficit year of 2026. For example, as shown in Column AG on Tab “AVOID NEW” tab, the capacity payment will start in 2026.

Staff is also including an updated copy of the SAR model that reflects the first deficit year of 2026. Attachment A shows the updated published avoided cost rates for new contracts. Attachment B shows the updated published avoided cost rates for renewal contracts. Please review these attachments and file a response with the Commission by August 12, 2022, stating whether the updates to the SAR model and the calculations were made correctly.

Thank you for your cooperation. Please contact Yao Yin ([yao.yin@puc.idaho.gov](mailto:yao.yin@puc.idaho.gov)) if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Riley Newton".

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