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Sent: Wednesday, April 12, 2023 7:00 AM
To: Jan Noriyuki <jan.noriyuki@puc.idaho.gov>

Subject: Notice: A comment was submitted to PUCWeb

The following comments were submitted via PUCWeb:

Name: AVISTA CUSTOMER GROUP Avista Customer Group

Submission Time: Apr 12 2023 1:41AM Email: idaho1776@protonmail.com

Telephone: 208-610-6961 Address: 24 humbug lane

Sagle , ID 83860

Name of Utility Company: Avista

Case ID: AVU-E-23-01

Comment: "It is unconscionable that Avista now comes to the PUC to raise its rates by 20% in two years. What happened to the go away money from Hydro One? Did that just get eaten up in raises and bonuses for the board? Avista is one of the largest land owners in Spokane and its Alaska subsidiary owns 2 gold mine with proven reserves of \$ 1,000,000,000 or more. It even alludes in its presser that its assets have appreciated dramatically as of late. Where is the line drawn between a publicly regulated utility's assets and its case to necessitate drastic rate increases. Avista bills itself as a publicly spirited, caring company, but then hits the ratepayers when they are on mat due to economic instability, interest rate increases, and overall inflation. Avista is the company that tried to sell out for a dime on a dollar to Canada's Hydro One and it's overseer, the CCP TURN DOWN ANY RATE INCREASES FOR AVISTA. Let them divest some assets! Lets delineate what assets are fair game in a rate case. How can these assets be separated from the rate case's calculations of necessity? How can Avista sit on Billions of dollars of assets and cry for a astronomical rate increase? This is not fair to the ratepayers. Please do not approve any rate increase for Avista this year or next year !!!"

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Name: Carissa Lonzisero

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Name of Utility Company: Avista

Case ID: AVU-E-23-01

Comment: "Please do NOT approve any rate increases for Avista. It is wholly unnecessary due to the assets that are owned by Avista and its subsidiaries that can be divested."

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