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RE: AVU-E-24-XX – Joint Petition for Approval of Power Purchase Agreement between Avista Corporation and Ford Hydro LP

Included for filing with the Commission is the electronic copy of Avista Corporation and Ford Hydro's Joint Petition for an order approving the Power Purchase Agreement.

Should you have any questions regarding this filing, please do not hesitate to call Michael Andrea at (509) 495-2564. Thank you in advance for your assistance.

Sincerely,

/s/ Paul Kimball

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Mgr. of Compliance & Discovery

Enclosures

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BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF THE JOINT PETITION)	
OF AVISTA CORPORATION AND FORD)	CASE NO. AVU-E-
HYDRO LIMITED PARTNERSHIP FOR)	
APPROVAL OF POWER PURCHASE)	JOINT PETITION OF AVISTA
AGREEMENT)	CORPORATION AND FORD HYDRO
_____)	LIMITED PARTNERSHIP

Avista Corporation (“Avista”) and Ford Hydro Limited Partnership (“Ford Hydro”) (collectively, the “Parties”) hereby petition the Idaho Public Utilities Commission (“Commission”) for an order approving the Power Purchase Agreement (“Agreement”) between Avista and Ford Hydro. The Agreement is attached hereto as Attachment A.

1. **Names and Addresses of Petitioners**

Avista Corporation
1411 East Mission Avenue
Spokane, WA 99202

Ford Hydro Limited Partnership
PO Box 1432
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2. **Nature of Businesses**

Avista is a corporation created and organized under the laws of the State of Washington with its principal office in Spokane, Washington. Avista is an investor-owned utility engaged in, among other things, the business of generating, transmitting, and distributing electric power to wholesale and retail customers in Idaho and Washington. Avista also provides natural gas service to customers in Idaho, Washington, and Oregon. As such, Avista's rates, charges, services and practices are regulated, in part, by this Commission.

Ford Hydro operates a hydroelectric generating unit(s) near Weippe, Idaho ("Facility"). The Facility is capable of generating up to approximately 1.499 MW of energy. The Facility is a Qualifying Facility pursuant to the Public Utility Regulatory Policies of Act of 1978 ("PURPA").

3. **Names of Representatives**

All communications, pleadings, and orders with respect to this proceeding should be directed to:

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4. **Description of the Agreement**

The Agreement replaces a prior power purchase agreement between the Parties which expires in accordance with its terms on June 30, 2024.¹ If approved by the Commission, the term of the Agreement will commence on July 1, 2024 and shall continue for a period of two years such that the Agreement will expire by its terms on June 30, 2026. The Agreement submitted in this filing is a renewal that will, subject to Commission approval, be effective upon the expiration of the Original Agreement.

The Agreement is substantially the similar to the power purchase agreement that it replaces. The Parties have updated the Agreement to be consistent with Commission

¹ The prior power purchase agreement, as amended, was approved by the Commission in Order No. 35489, subject to certain modifications, with an effective date of July 1, 2022.

precedent. Updates to the Agreement include, (i) adding the 90/110 provisions (e.g., Sections 5, 6.2, and associated definitions), (ii) updating the provision for modifications to the Facility (see Section 10.6), and (iii) clarifying the need for Commission approval of any amendments to the Agreement (see Section 22).

The term of the Agreement is for a period of two years from the Effective Date. As discussed above this Agreement replaces the prior power purchase agreement, which expires by its terms on June 30, 2024. Avista and Ford Hydro respectfully request that the Commission issue an order approving the Agreement with an Effective Date of July 1, 2024.

5. Conclusion

Avista and Ford Hydro jointly respectfully request that the Commission issue an order accepting the Agreement as set forth herein.

Respectfully submitted this 16th day of May, 2024.

AVISTA CORPORATION



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**FORD HYDRO LIMITED
PARTNERSHIP**

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