

## DECISION MEMORANDUM

**TO:** COMMISSIONER KJELLANDER  
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COMMISSION SECRETARY  
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**FROM:** MATT HUNTER  
DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL

**DATE:** SEPTEMBER 12, 2019

**SUBJECT:** IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF AVISTA CORPORATION FOR DETERMINATION OF 2014-2017 NATURAL GAS ENERGY EFFICIENCY EXPENSES AS PRUDENTLY INCURRED; CASE NO. AVU-G-18-08.

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF AVISTA CORPORATION FOR A DETERMINATION OF 2016-2017 ELECTRIC ENERGY EFFICIENCY EXPENSES AS PRUDENTLY INCURRED; CASE NO. AVU-E-18-12.

On November 16, 2018, Avista Corporation (the Company) filed two applications with the Commission. The first application, Case No. AVU-G-18-08, requested the Commission determine whether the Company prudently incurred \$2,899,525 in natural gas energy efficiency expenses from January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2017. The second application, Case No. AVU-E-18-12, requested the Commission determine whether the Company prudently incurred \$22,719,204 in electric energy efficiency expenses in 2016 and 2017.

The Commission issued notices of Application and set intervention deadlines for both cases in December, 2018. Order Nos. 34210 and 34222. Comment deadlines have not been set for these cases.

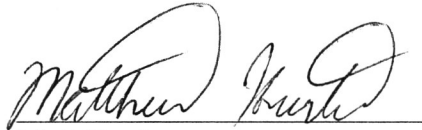
### STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends identical procedural schedules for AVU-G-18-08 and AVU-E-18-12. The issues in both cases are closely related, and Staff believes it is in the best interest of the public, the Company, and Staff to have matching procedural schedules for the cases. Staff believes Modified Procedure is appropriate for both cases.

Staff recommends the Commission issue a separate Notice of Modified Procedure for each case, with comments due by November 18, 2019 and reply comments due by December 2, 2019.

**COMMISSION DECISION**

Does the Commission wish to issue separate notices of Modified Procedure for Case Nos. AVU-G-18-08 and AVU-E-18-12, with comments due by November 18, 2019 and reply comments due by December 2, 2019?

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Matt Hunter  
Deputy Attorney General

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