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June 1, 2016

Jean D. Jewell, Secretary
Idaho Public Utilities Commission
P O Box 83720
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RE: CASE NO. AVU-E-16-04

UPDATE TO PUBLISHED AVOIDED COST RATES TO REFLECT AN UPDATED
NATURAL GAS PRICE FORECAST OF THE U.S. ENERGY INFORMATION
ADMINISTRATION (ETA)

Dear Ms. Jewell:

Avista Corporation dba Avista Utilities (Avista or Company) received the letter from the Idaho Public Utilities Commission (IPUC) dated May 27, 2016 notifying the Company of the annual update to published avoided cost rates to reflect an updated natural gas price forecast of the U.S. Energy Information Administration (EIA). The Company has reviewed the new published avoided cost rates and agrees that the calculations are correct.

Please direct any questions on this matter to Clint Kalich at (509) 495-4532 or myself at (509) 495-4975.

Sincerely,

/s/ Linda Gervais

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