

BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF THE FILING BY)	
AVISTA CORPORATION DBA AVISTA)	CASE NO. AVU-E-00-08
UTILITIES—WASHINGTON WATER)	
POWER DIVISION OF AN UPDATE TO)	NOTICE OF FILING
AVISTA’S 1997 ELECTRIC INTEGRATED)	
RESOURCE PLAN (IRP) AND DRAFT)	NOTICE OF COMMENT
REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP).)	DEADLINE

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that on July 13, 2000, Avista Corporation dba Avista Utilities—Washington Water Power Division—Idaho (Avista; Company) filed an update to its 1997 Integrated Resource Plan (IRP) and a draft Request For Proposals (RFP) with the Idaho Public Utilities Commission (Commission).

The RFP is an “all source” competitive bid based on the Company’s identified need for 300 megawatts of new electric power starting in 2004. The IRP update describes the Company’s loads and resources, overview of technically available resource options, and demonstrated need for resources.

The Company in its filing states that it will consider any offer of resources including, but not limited to, energy and capacity, energy efficiency, turnkey plans, construction—for Avista—of a generating plant on a site provided by the bidder, and construction by a bidder on a site furnished by Avista. As described in the RFP and IRP update, the Company’s resource need suggests that customers would benefit by a new resource with operational flexibility.

The Company states that it is also examining other options for service provision including expanded use of customer load interruptibility agreements and time of use rates.

Based on informal conversations with Avista, the Commission is apprised that the Company’s intention is to issue its RFP by August 24, 2000, and to file its 2000 electric Integrated Resource Plan later this year, perhaps in September. The Company solicits comments on its July 13 filings from the Commission, the Commission Staff and the public.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Commission has reviewed the Company's filings in Case No. AVU-E-00-08 and finds it reasonable to establish the following schedule for comment on the two documents submitted by the Company:

Friday, August 11, 2000 Deadline for filing written comments

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Application and submitted documents are available for public inspection during regular business hours at the Commission Office and at the Idaho Offices of Avista Corporation dba Avista Utilities—Washington Utilities Division. Written comments concerning this Application and the Company's filings should be mailed to the Commission and Company at the addresses reflected below:

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All comments should contain the case caption and case number shown on the first page of this document.

DATED at this _____ day of December 2002.

DENNIS HANSEN, PRESIDENT

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Commission Secretary

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