

## DECISION MEMORANDUM

**TO: COMMISSIONER KJELLANDER  
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**FROM: SCOTT WOODBURY**

**DATE: MAY 19, 2003**

**RE: CASE NO. AVU-E-03-02 (Avista)  
2003 ELECTRIC INTEGRATED RESOURCE PLAN (IRP)**

On April 30, 2003, Avista Corporation dba Avista Utilities (Avista; Company) filed its 2003 Electric Integrated Resource Plan (IRP) with the Idaho Public Utilities Commission (Commission). The Company's filing complies with the Commission's direction in Order No. 22299 issued January 27, 1989, which requires Avista to file a biennial resource management report (now IRP or Integrated Resource Plan) describing the status of the Company's electric resource planning.

At this time, Avista states it has no immediate need for additional long-term resources. The Company does not anticipate a significant deficit in energy, on an annual average basis, until 2008. The Company does not anticipate a deficit in capacity until 2010. The Company views this IRP as a resource evaluation process, rather than a specific resource acquisition plan.

### **Commission Decision**

Staff recommends that the Company's IRP filing be Noticed and that a six week comment period be established. Does the Commission agree?

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