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## **BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**

<b>IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION</b>	)	
<b>OF AVISTA CORPORATION DBA AVISTA</b>	)	<b>CASE NO. AVU-E-16-03</b>
<b>UTILITIES FOR AUTHORITY TO</b>	)	
<b>INCREASE ITS RATES AND CHARGES</b>	)	<b>MOTION FOR</b>
<b>FOR ELECTRIC SERVICE IN IDAHO</b>	)	<b>PROCEDURAL RELIEF</b>
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COMES NOW the Staff of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission, by and through its attorney of record, Karl Klein, Deputy Attorney General, and respectively moves under Rule 256.03 of the Commission's Rules of Procedure (IDAPA 31.01.01.256.03), for an Order vacating the October 25, 2016 deadline for Staff/Intervenor prefiled direct testimony, as set in Order No. 33555. Good cause exists to vacate the deadline because:

1. The parties have reached a settlement, and Staff expects the Company to circulate a draft settlement agreement in the near future. The current deadline for prefiled direct testimony, however, does not leave sufficient time for the parties to review the draft, reach a final agreement, and then prepare and submit testimony addressing it. Additionally, per Rule 274, once the final agreement is filed the Commission will issue an Order and Notice of Proposed Settlement prescribing procedures to consider the settlement. If the Commission wishes to receive testimony about the settlement, a new deadline for prefiled direct testimony can be established in that Order.
2. All parties to the case have advised Staff that they concur with vacating the deadline. The parties anticipate that this matter can be fully resolved within that timeframe.

Accordingly, Staff respectfully requests that the Commission grant the Motion and vacate the October 25, 2016 deadline.”

Respectfully submitted this 14<sup>th</sup> day of October 2016.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Karl T. Klein", written over a horizontal line.

Karl T. Klein  
Deputy Attorney General

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## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT I HAVE THIS 14<sup>th</sup> DAY OF OCTOBER 2016, SERVED THE FOREGOING **MOTION FOR PROCEDURAL RELIEF**, IN CASE NO. AVU-E-16-03, BY E-MAILING A COPY THEREOF TO THE FOLLOWING:

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