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Jean D. Jewell, Secretary
Idaho Public Utilities Commission
Statehouse Mail
W. 472 Washington Street
Boise, Idaho 83720

RE: Case No. AVU-E-14-11

Dear Ms. Jewell:

Attached for filing with the Commission is an original and (7) seven copies of Avista Corporation, doing business as Avista Utilities filing, in compliance with Order Nos. 32697 and 32802, to update the load forecast, natural gas forecast, and contract information components of the incremental cost Integrated Resource Plan (IRP) avoided cost methodology.

Please direct any questions regarding this filing to James Gall at 509-495-2189.

Sincerely,

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BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF AVISTA CORPORATION'S)	CASE NO. AVU-E-14-11
ANNUAL COMPLIANCE FILING TO UPDATE)	
THE LOAD AND GAS FORECASTS IN THE)	
INCREMENTAL COST INTEGRATED)	
RESOURCE PLAN AVOIDED COST MODEL)	

AVISTA CORPORATION'S
COMPLIANCE FILING

I. INTRODUCTION

Avista Corporation, doing business as Avista Utilities (hereinafter Avista or Company), at 1411 East Mission Avenue, Spokane, Washington, respectfully submits to the Idaho Public Utilities Commission ("Commission") this filing, in compliance with Order Nos. 32697 and 32802, to update the load forecast, natural gas forecast, and contract information components of the incremental cost Integrated Resource Plan (IRP) avoided cost methodology.

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II. BACKGROUND

In its final Order No. 32697[1], the Commission determined that the inputs to the IRP avoided cost methodology, utilized for all proposed Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978 (PURPA) qualifying (QF) projects that exceed the published rate eligibility cap, will be updated every two years upon acknowledgment of the utility's IRP filing, with the exception of the load forecast, natural gas forecast, and QF contract changes, which are to be updated annually. The date for the annual update was changed[2] from June to October of each year.

[1] Order No. 32697 page 22.
[2] Order No. 32802 page 3.

III. LOAD FORECAST

The Company's most recent load forecast was developed in July, 2014 for energy and September, 2014 for peak. The recent energy load forecast shows, on average, a 0.6 percent annual average growth rate, down from 0.7 percent. The peak forecast growth rate is unchanged at 0.7 percent.

Table 1: Peak and Energy Load Forecast

Year	Energy (aMW)	Summer Peak (MW)	Winter Peak (MW)
2015	1,068	1,568	1,704
2016	1,074	1,582	1,718
2017	1,084	1,596	1,731
2018	1,091	1,610	1,744
2019	1,097	1,623	1,756
2020	1,103	1,635	1,768
2021	1,109	1,648	1,780
2022	1,114	1,661	1,792
2023	1,120	1,674	1,804
2024	1,126	1,686	1,816
2025	1,132	1,699	1,828
2026	1,138	1,713	1,840
2027	1,145	1,726	1,853
2028	1,152	1,739	1,865
2029	1,158	1,753	1,878
2030	1,165	1,766	1,891
2031	1,172	1,780	1,903
2032	1,179	1,794	1,916
2033	1,186	1,808	1,929
2034	1,192	1,822	1,942
2035	1,199	1,836	1,955

IV. NATURAL GAS FORECAST

The Company's most recent Forward Price Curve was developed using the blend of two national price forecasting consultants' most recent forecasts and forward market prices as of October 7th, 2014.

Table 2: Natural Gas Price Forecast

Year	Henry Hub ($/mmbtu)	Stanfield ($/mmbtu)
2015	$3.91	$3.72
2016	$4.01	$3.79
2017	$4.25	$4.03
2018	$4.58	$4.31
2019	$4.72	$4.45
2020	$4.83	$4.55
2021	$4.84	$4.55
2022	$4.98	$4.70
2023	$5.29	$5.02
2024	$5.89	$5.67
2025	$6.20	$5.98
2026	$6.20	$5.98
2027	$6.13	$5.91
2028	$6.17	$6.01
2029	$6.40	$6.26
2030	$6.50	$6.38
2031	$6.80	$6.70
2032	$6.98	$6.91
2033	$7.11	$7.05
2034	$7.27	$7.19
2035	$7.63	$7.55

Sources: CERA and Wood MacKenzie

V. CONTRACT ADDITIONS AND TERMINATIONS

Avista's signed one new long-term PPA, representing a four percent slice of Chelan County PUD's Rocky Reach and Rock Island production for the 2015 calendar year. The slice product is expected to add 64.5 MW of peak capacity for both summer and winter peaks and add 35.4 aMW of energy. As of this filing date, the Company has no additions or subtractions of PURPA resource contracts.

VI. REQUEST

Avista respectfully submits this updated load forecast, natural gas forecast, and contract information in compliance with Order Nos. 32697 and 32802 and requests that the Commission accept the same for filing.

DATED at Spokane, Washington, this 21st day of October, 2014.

AVISTA CORPORATION

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