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BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION) CASE NO. AVU-E-16-03
OF AVISTA CORPORATION FOR THE)
AUTHORITY TO INCREASE ITS RATES)
AND CHARGES FOR ELECTRIC SERVICE)
TO ELECTRIC CUSTOMERS IN THE) ATTORNEY'S CERTIFICATE
STATE OF IDAHO) CLAIM OF CONFIDENTIALITY
) RELATING TO PORTIONS
) OF AVISTA'S EXHIBIT'S
) AND WORKPAPERS
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1 Avista herein asserts that the aforementioned
2 information is confidential in that: 1) making the load and
3 resource information public will give entities access to
4 competitive information on future operating plans and market
5 purchase requirements and Avista believes the information
6 could be used to disadvantage its customers, 2) disclosing
7 planned equity issuances may financially disadvantage the
8 Company, and 3) the Risk Management Policies and hedging
9 practices, if shared with competitors, could also be used to
10 disadvantage Avista's customers.

11 I am of the opinion that this information is CONFIDENTIAL,
12 as defined by Idaho Code Sections 9-340D and 48-801, should
13 therefore be protected from public inspection, examination and
14 copying, and should be utilized only in accordance with the
15 terms of the PROTECTIVE AGREEMENT BETWEEN AVISTA CORPORATION
16 AND IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION STAFF, and other
17 parties.

18 RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 25th day of May 2016

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