

BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF THE JOINT)	CASE NOS. AVU-E-17-09
APPLICATION OF HYDRO ONE LIMITED)	AVU-G-17-05
AND AVISTA CORPORATION FOR)	
APPROVAL OF MERGER AGREEMENT)	ORDER NO. 34179
)	

On September 14, 2017, Hydro One and Avista jointly applied for Commission approval of a merger between their two companies. They also sought approval from utility regulators in Washington, Oregon, Alaska, and Montana. Assuming approval in the other states, this Commission's approval would result in Avista becoming a wholly owned subsidiary of a Hydro One holding company. On September 20, 2018, the Commission set deadlines for the parties to file testimony, scheduled a settlement conference, and set a technical hearing date of November 26, 2018. Order No. 34148.

On October 30, 2018, Staff reported to the Commission that the parties¹ have engaged in extensive settlement discussions. Staff further represented that those settlement discussions are continuing, and that because of that continuing dialogue, all parties had agreed to request that the Commission extend the Staff and Intervenor Testimony deadline of November 1, 2018, to November 6, 2018. Staff represented that this change would not affect other deadlines or the hearing date.

DISCUSSION

The issues presented were brought to the Commission at its October 30, 2018, decision meeting. Having reviewed the record, and noting that all parties agree to the proposal, we find it reasonable to grant the request and extend the Staff and Intervenor Testimony deadline from November 1, 2018, to November 6, 2018.

NOTICE OF AMENDED SCHEDULE

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the procedure and schedule discussed above is adopted. Specifically, the Staff and Intervenor Testimony is due by November 6, 2018.

¹ The following parties have intervened: Idaho Forest Group, Clearwater Paper, Idaho Conservation League, the Community Action Partnership Association of Idaho, the Washington and Northern Idaho District Council of Laborers, an unincorporated nonprofit called Avista Customer Group, and the Idaho Department of Water Resources.

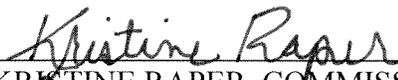
ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the November 1, 2018, Staff and Intervenor Testimony deadline is extended to November 6, 2018.

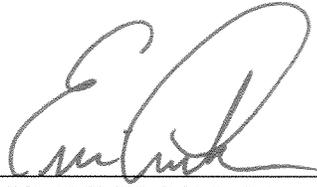
DONE by Order of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission at Boise, Idaho this 31st day of October 2018.



PAUL KJELLANDER, PRESIDENT



KRISTINE RAPER, COMMISSIONER



ERIC ANDERSON, COMMISSIONER

ATTEST:



Diane M. Hanian
Commission Secretary