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FROM:SCOTT WOODBURY

DATE:JANUARY 29,1999

RE:CASE NO. WWP-E-98-11 (AVISTA)

RATE CASE—SCHEDULING

The January 22, 1999, deadline for intervention in Case No. WWP-E-98-11 has passed.  Potlatch is the only intervenor.  The Commission is apprised that Staff finds no need for a bifurcation of this case into revenue requirement/cost of service & rate design phases.  Accordingly, unless the Commission has identified issues that it wants to address and that have not been touched on by the Company in its direct testimony, Staff suggests that there is no need for a prehearing conference in this case.

The Company and Staff have agreed to the following scheduling:

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| Direct testimony prefile—staff/intervenor  Rebuttal testimony prefile  Hearing—Sandpoint | April 23, 1999  May 21, 1999  June 8-9-10, 1999 |

Does the Commission find the scheduling acceptable?  If not, what is the Commission’s preference?

Scott Woodbury

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