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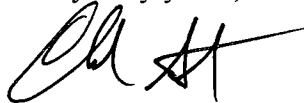
Re: In the Matter of the Avista Corporation, dba Avista Utilities Request for General
Rate Revision
Docket No. UG 186

Dear Filing Center:

Enclosed are the original and one copy of the Northwest Industrial Gas Users' Notice of Intent to Request an Issue Fund Grant filed via electronic mail today with the OPUC's Filing Center in the above referenced docket..

Thank you for your assistance in these matters.

Very truly yours,



Chad M. Stokes

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON

UG 186

In the Matter of

AVISTA CORPORATION, dba AVISTA
UTILITIES,

Request for a General Rate Revision.

**NORTHWEST INDUSTRIAL GAS
USERS' NOTICE OF INTENT TO
REQUEST AN ISSUE FUND GRANT**

Pursuant to OAR § 860-012-0100(4) and the First Amended and Restated Intervenor Funding Agreement (“IFA”), approved by the Oregon Public Utility Commission (“Commission”) in Order No. 07-576 (December 20, 2007), the Northwest Industrial Gas Users (NWIGU) hereby respectfully submit this Notice of Intent to Request an Issue Fund Grant in UG-186.

1. UG-186 is an Eligible Proceeding under the IFA. The IFA defines an Eligible Proceeding as “any Commission proceeding that directly affects one or more of the Participating Public Utilities.” IFA, Section 1(c). UG-186 will directly affect Avista Corporation dba Avista Utilities (“Avista”), which is a Participating Public Utility under Section 1(k) of the IFA. Therefore, an Issue Fund Grant is permissible under Section 6.1 of the IFA.

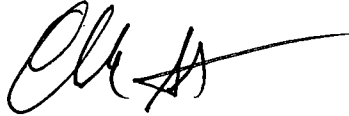
2. As required by IFA Section 6.2, this Notice of Intent is being served on each affected Participating Public Utility, all pre-certified organizations, and all parties identified on the service list from UG-186.

3. NWIGU identifies the Avista Issue Fund Account as the account from which NWIGU intends to request the Issue Fund Grant.

4. NWIGU has been precertified under Section 5.2 of the IFA and OAR § 860-012-0100(3) as eligible to receive an Issue Fund Grant.

5. NWIGU will submit a budget in accordance with the schedule adopted in this proceeding.

DATED July 15, 2009.



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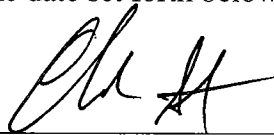
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- [X] by **ELECTRONIC NOTIFICATION**; a full, true and correct copy thereof to the party, at the e-mail address shown above, which is the last-known email address for the party, on the date set forth below.
- [X] by **MAILING to those parties who have not waived paper service** a full, true and correct copy thereof in a sealed, postage-paid envelope, addressed as shown above, and deposited with the U.S. Postal Service at Portland, Oregon, on the date set forth below;

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