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Re: In the Matter of the Avista Corporation dba Avista Utilities
2007 Natural Gas Integrated Resource Plan
Docket No. LC-44

Dear Filing Center:

Enclosed please find the original and one (1) copy of the NORTHWEST INDUSTRIAL GAS USERS' PETITION TO INTERVENE and WAIVER OF PAPER SERVICE in the above-referenced docket.

Thank you for your assistance with this filing. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Very truly yours,



Edward A. Finklea

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Enclosure(s)

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**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF OREGON**

LC 44

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AVISTA CORPORATION, dba) PETITION TO INTERVENE &
AVISTA UTILITIES) WAIVER OF PAPER SERVICE OF
) THE NORTHWEST INDUSTRIAL
2007 Natural Gas Integrated Resource) GAS USERS
Plan.)
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Pursuant to ORS § 756.525 and OAR § 860-013-0021, the Northwest Industrial Gas Users (“NWIGU”) hereby submit this Petition to Intervene in the above-captioned proceeding and seeks party status as provided in OAR § 860-011-0035(7). In support of this pleading, NWIGU states as follows:

1. The name and address of NWIGU as a party of record in this proceeding is:

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2. NWIGU is a non-profit association comprised of thirty five end users of natural gas with major facilities in the States of Oregon, Washington, and Idaho. NWIGU members include diverse industrial interests, including food processing, pulp and paper, wood products, electric generation, aluminum, steel, chemicals, electronics, and aerospace. The association provides an informational service to its members and participates in various regulatory matters that affect member interests. NWIGU member companies purchase natural gas sales and transportation services from Avista.

3. Through this proceeding Avista seeks approval of its 2007 Natural Gas Integrated Resource Plan (“IRP”). The IRP identifies strategic natural gas resource acquisitions and demand-side management program that Avista plans to rely on in order to meet future natural gas demands of its customers. As customers of Avista, NWIGU member companies will be impacted by the outcome of this proceeding.

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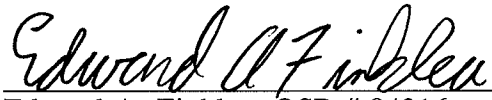
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WHEREFORE, NWIGU respectfully requests leave to intervene, requests all the rights of a party in this proceeding.

DATED: February 20, 2008.

Respectfully submitted,



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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I CERTIFY that I have on this day served the foregoing document upon all parties of record in this proceeding via electronic mail or by mailing a copy properly addressed with first class postage prepaid.

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Dated in Portland, Oregon, this 20th day of February, 2008.



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