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Josh DiLuciano Vice President of Energy Delivery Avista Corporation 1411 East Mission Avenue Spokane Washington 99220

RE: 2023 Natural Gas Annual Review – Avista Corporation - Headquarters – (Insp. No. 8572)

Dear Mr. DiLuciano:

Staff from the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (staff) conducted an Annual Review of Avista Corporation (Avista) Headquarters on May 4, 2023. The inspection included a review of Avista's Damage Prevention program manuals and records.

Avista's 2022 Annual Review (Insp. No. 8416) listed an area of concern that required improvements to Avista's Damage Prevention program. Review of current Damage Prevention manuals, improved recordkeeping and locator contract changes appear to be adequate and should show improvements in Damage Prevention issues in 2023.

No apparent violations were noted as a result of the inspection. This inspection will be closed as of the date of this letter.

Staff thanks Avista's personnel for their professionalism and cooperation during this inspection.

If you have any questions or if we may be of any assistance, please contact Lex Vinsel at (360) 789-6024.

Sincerely,

Scott Rukke Pipeline Safety Director

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