

DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY

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July 29, 2019

Mr. Kevin Booth Avista Corporation 1411 East Mission Avenue Spokane, Washington 99220

RE:

Entity Review of Draft Permit and Fact Sheet for National Pollutant Discharge

Elimination System (NPDES) Permit WA0045217

Dear Kevin Booth:

Enclosed is a preliminary draft copy of Ecology's proposed permit and fact sheet. Please take this opportunity to review the draft documents for factual mistakes or errors and comment on any mistakes you or your staff find. Submit comments to our office no later than August 13, 2019. Send any corrections you may have to Pat Hallinan, Department of Ecology, Water Quality Program, 4601 N. Monroe Street, Spokane, WA 99205-1295.

Ecology will make the appropriate corrections in the draft permit and fact sheet and place a public notice in a local newspaper. An official draft copy of the permit and fact sheet will be mailed to you along with a copy of the public notice. There will be a 30-day comment period from the date of publication. At that time, Avista Utilities will have the opportunity to submit comments on requirements and conditions in the permit.

Please contact Pat Hallinan at (509) 329-3500 or by email at phal461@ecy.wa.gov if you have questions or need additional time to review the draft documents.

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Sincerely,

Water Quality Program

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Enclosures

cc: Merlin Scacco, Avista Utilities

Pat Hallinan, Ecology Eastern Region