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BEFORE THE ADMINISTRATOR

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In the ADR Matter of)
Avista Utilities, Inc.,) Docket No. CWA-08-2009-0035
Respondent)

ORDER GRANTING MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION PROCESS

By a Joint Motion dated December 18, 2009, the parties have moved for a 60-day extension of the Alternative Dispute Resolution ("ADR") period in this proceeding that expires on January 11, 2010. The motion represents that with additional time in the ADR process, the parties' settlement discussions may likely lead to a resolution of this matter. For good cause shown, the motion is <u>GRANTED</u> and the ADR period is extended to and includes <u>March 10</u>, 2010.

So Ordered.

Dated this ______ day of January 2009.

Spencer T. Nissen

Administrative Law Judge

Susan L. Biro

Chief Administrative Law Judge

Issued: January 5, 2010 Washington, D.C.

In the ADR matter of *Avista Utilities, Inc.*, Respondent. Docket No. CWA-08-2009-0035

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that the foregoing **Order Granting Motion for Extension of Alternative Dispute Resolution Process**, dated January 5, 2010, was sent this day in the following manner to the addressees listed below.

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