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EL25-44-000 Complaint of Industrial Energy Consumers of America, et al v. Avista Corporation, et al. under EL25-44.

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Basis for Intervening:

The Transmission Access Policy Study Group (‘TAPS’) is an association of transmission-dependent utilities in thirty-five states. TAPS members include municipal utilities, municipal joint action agencies, electric cooperatives, and an investor-owned utility that entirely or predominantly rely on transmission systems owned and controlled by others to gain access to wholesale power markets in which they are active participants. TAPS recognizes the importance of open and non-discriminatory access to a robust transmission grid and has long been outspoken on the need for improved transmission and ways to get needed transmission built at reasonable cost. TAPS filed extensive comments in the Building for the Future Through Electric Regional Transmission Planning and Cost Allocation and Generator Interconnection proceeding, Docket No. RM21-17.

The instant proceeding involves a complaint against all Commission-jurisdictional public utility transmission providers with local planning tariffs. The complaint asks FERC: (1) to find that all existing local planning tariffs are unjust, unreasonable, or unduly discriminatory under Federal Power Act section 206; and (2) to set a just and reasonable replacement rate that removes local planning of transmission facilities 100 kV and above from local planning tariffs, requires that all planning for such facilities be done at the regional or interregional level, and requires that regional planning in existing Order 1000 regions be conducted by an independent transmission system planner.

The outcome of this proceeding may affect local and regional transmission planning nationwide, and, thus, transmission-dependent utilities such as TAPS’s members. Accordingly, TAPS has a clear and substantial interest in this proceeding that no other party can adequately represent, and its participation will be in the public interest.

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