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TO: Keven K. Kleweno, P.E.
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FROM: Rorie Watt, PE, City Manager 

RE: Docket No. U-17-085
Proposal by Hydro One to Acquire Controlling Interest in Alaska Electric Light and Power Company (AEL&P)

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the above referenced RCA Case.

The Assembly of the City and Borough of Juneau has commissioned a preliminary review of the governance issues and potential financial ramifications that may result to our citizens as a result of the proposed acquisition of AVISTA Corporation by Hydro One, Ltd.

At this point it is our opinion that the public interest is best served by delaying RCA consideration of the proposed acquisition until such time that we are able to receive this preliminary report and make it publicly available. At that time, either the CBJ or its citizens could consider providing comments to the RCA, presumably more informed by this preliminary report.

I have attached the scope of work for the report. We expect it to be completed around October 20th, at which time we will make it available to the public.

We believe that the public interest would be served by temporarily delaying consideration of Docket U-17-085 and extending the comment period for an additional 30 days.

Please contact me should you have any questions on these comments.

cc: Mayor and Assembly of the City and Borough of Juneau
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