



Avista Names Marian Durkin as Corporate Secretary

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SPOKANE, WA -- (Marketwired) -- 05/16/16 -- Avista Corp. (NYSE: AVA) today announced that Marian Durkin has been named as Corporate Secretary. She will retain her current responsibilities as Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Chief Compliance Officer.

Durkin joined Avista Corp in 2005. Prior to that, she was Vice President, Deputy General Counsel and Assistant Secretary for United Airlines in Chicago. Her experience also includes 18 years with the Minneapolis law firm of Briggs and Morgan, P.A.

"We're pleased that Marian has accepted the additional responsibilities of Corporate Secretary," said Scott Morris, chairman, president and CEO of Avista Corp. "These responsibilities provide strategic alignment with her other existing duties.

"I want to thank Avista Corp. Senior Vice President and Chief HR Officer Karen Feltes for serving as Corporate Secretary over the past 14 years. She will retain her core responsibilities as Chief HR Officer and continue to serve the Board of Directors as the lead executive for the Board Compensation and Organization Committee."

About Avista

Avista Corp., incorporated in 1889 and based in Spokane, Wash., is an energy company involved in the production, transmission and distribution of energy as well as other energy-related businesses. [Avista Utilities](#) is the operating division that provides electric service to 375,000 customers and natural gas to 335,000 customers. Its service territory covers 30,000 square miles in eastern Washington, northern Idaho and parts of southern and eastern Oregon, with a population of 1.5 million. Alaska Energy and Resources Company is an Avista subsidiary that provides retail electric service in the city and borough of Juneau, Alaska, through its subsidiary [Alaska Electric Light and Power Company](#). Avista stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the ticker symbol "AVA." For more information about Avista, please visit www.avistacorp.com.

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