

ISSUED: August 13, 2009

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION  
OF OREGON**

UG 186

In the Matter of

AVISTA CORPORATION, dba  
AVISTA UTILITIES

Request for a General Rate Revision.

RULING

**DISPOSITION: AVISTA DIRECTED TO FILE SUPPLEMENTAL  
OPENING TESTIMONY**

On July 22, 2009, a prehearing conference was held in the above-captioned docket. The procedural schedule provided for Staff and Intervenors to file "proposed information requests" not later than August 11, 2009, asking that Avista Corporation, dba Avista Utilities (Avista or the Company) be directed to supplement its opening testimony.

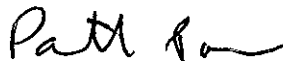
On August 11, 2009, the Citizens' Utility Board of Oregon (CUB) submitted a proposed information request. According to CUB, Avista's original filing "lacks testimony and exhibits which should have been included in its original filing." CUB asks that the administrative law judge (ALJ) order the Company to provide supplemental testimony and exhibits regarding the following issue: the timing of rate base additions (used and useful as relating to the commencement of the test year).

CUB asks that the ALJ indicate in the ruling that supplemental testimony is not a substitute for data request responses, so that Avista is obligated to adhere to the data request response time frames as outlined in the prehearing conference memorandum.

Avista is directed to submit supplemental opening testimony responding to CUB's request. The supplemental testimony is not a substitute for data request responses. Avista shall comply with the data request response time frames applicable to this proceeding.

Pursuant to the schedule established in this proceeding, Avista's supplemental opening testimony is due by September 1, 2009<sup>1</sup>.

Dated at Salem, Oregon, this 13<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2009.



Patrick Power  
Administrative Law Judge

<sup>1</sup> Non-confidential information is due electronically by 5:00 p.m. Service of confidential material is considered timely if sent by overnight mail on the due date.