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Public Utility Commission of Oregon
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Salem, OR 97301

Attention: Filing Center

Attached for filing with the Commission are the following proposed tariff sheet revisions, which, if approved, will set the rates for each of the schedules to \$0.00000/therm:

Proposed Revision	Cancels Revision	Schedule Title
First Revision Sheet 477	Original Sheet 477	Residual Deferral Amortization
Ninth Revision Sheet 478	Eighth Revision Sheet 478	DSM Cost Recovery
First Revision Sheet 479	Original Sheet 479	Senate Bill 408 Amortization

The Company requests an effective date of November 1, 2017 which coincides with the other tariff changes filed today related to the Company's Purchased Gas Cost Adjustment and Intervenor Funding.

Schedule 477 – Residual Deferral Amortization

On October 18, 2016, the Commission in Order No. 16-391 in Docket No. UG-316 approved the Company's request to rebate to customers approximately \$7,000 related to the residual balance of three prior amortizations. These amortizations were related to Oregon Commission fees, Roseburg/Medford deferrals, and Margin Reduction. The Company began amortizing the balance effective November 1, 2016, and at the end of June 2017, is forecasting that the entire balance will be amortized by October 31, 2017.¹ As such, the Company requests that the rates set forth in this schedule be set at \$0.00000/therm effective November 1, 2017.

¹ The Company may seek to surcharge or rebate any under- or over-collection through a future filing of Residual Deferral Amortization Schedule 477.

Schedule 478 – DSM Cost Recovery

On October 18, 2016, the Commission in Order No. 16-393 in Docket No. UG-317 approved the Company's request to recover from customers approximately \$1.5 million related to administering the Company's Demand Side Management (DSM) programs for the July 2015 through April 2016 time period. Effective May 1, 2016, pursuant to Docket No. UG-288, the Company no longer defers costs associated with the delivery of the Company's DSM program under Schedule 478. Rather, the Company collects from customers through Schedule 469 the funds required by the Energy Trust of Oregon to administer the majority of the Company's DSM programs. The Company began amortizing the DSM balance effective November 1, 2016, and at the end of June 2017, is forecasting that the entire balance will be amortized by October 31, 2017.² As such, the Company requests that the rates set forth in this schedule be set at \$0.00000/therm effective November 1, 2017.

Schedule 479 – Senate Bill 408 Amortization

On October 18, 2016, the Commission in Order No. 16-390 in Docket No. UG-318 approved the Company's request to recover from customers approximately \$80,000 related to Senate Bill 408. Senate Bill 408 was an automatic adjustment meant to correct for any discrepancy between taxes collected from customers and taxes paid to the State of Oregon. The Company began amortizing the balance effective November 1, 2016, and at the end of June 2017, is forecasting that the entire balance will be amortized by October 31, 2017.³ As such, the Company requests that the rates set forth in this schedule be set at \$0.00000/therm effective November 1, 2017.

Overall Effect of Three Rate Adjustments

Pursuant to OAR 860-022-0025 and OAR 860-022-0030, the total number of customers affected by this filing, the annual revenue before and after the impact of the rate changes listed above, and the average monthly use and resulting bills under existing and proposed rates are as follows:

<u>Rate Schedule</u>	<u>Average Number of Customers</u>
Schedule 410	89,839
Schedule 420	11,779
Schedule 424	86
Schedule 440	35
Schedule 444	4
Schedule 456	38

² Ibid.

³ Ibid.

Sch No	Description	Present Revenues	Proposed Revenues	Revenue Incr (Decr)	Percent Incr (Decr)	Use (Therms)	Present Monthly Cost	Proposed Monthly Cost	Change to Monthly Cost	% Change Monthly Cost
410	Residential	\$ 60,479,089	\$ 59,464,885	\$ (1,014,204)	-1.7%	47	\$ 56.10	\$ 55.16	\$ (0.94)	-1.7%
420	General	\$ 27,258,404	\$ 26,706,840	\$ (551,564)	-2.0%	197	\$ 192.78	\$ 188.87	\$ (3.91)	-2.0%
424	Large General	\$ 2,419,566	\$ 2,335,140	\$ (84,426)	-3.5%	4,240	\$ 2,347.66	\$ 2,265.74	\$ (81.92)	-3.5%
440	Interruptible	\$ 1,259,259	\$ 1,258,540	\$ (719)	-0.1%	10,592	\$ 2,969.70	\$ 2,968.00	\$ (1.70)	-0.1%
444	Seasonal	\$ 139,285	\$ 134,604	\$ (4,681)	-3.4%	5,155	\$ 2,963.52	\$ 2,863.92	\$ (99.60)	-3.4%
456	Transportation	\$ 3,382,370	\$ 3,378,375	\$ (3,995)	-0.1%	87,626	\$ 7,417.57	\$ 7,408.81	\$ (8.76)	-0.1%

After combining the impact of this PGA filing with the three other regulatory filings which also have a November 1, 2017 effective date⁴, a residential customer using an average of 47 therms a month could expect their bill to *decrease* by \$0.73, or 1.3 percent, for a revised monthly bill of \$55.37 effective November 1, 2017.

The Company will issue a media release coincident with the annual Purchased Gas Cost Adjustment (“PGA”) filing and provide notice to customers via a newspaper advertisement following the updated PGA filing in mid-September.

Please direct any questions regarding this filing to Patrick Ehrbar at (509) 495-8620 or Annette Brandon at (509) 495-4324.

Sincerely,



Kelly O. Norwood,
Vice President, State and Federal Regulation

⁴ On July 28, 2017, Avista filed to update effective November 1, 2017, Schedules 461/462 (Purchased Gas Cost Adjustment - Advice No. 17-02-G), Schedule 476 (Intervenor Funding Schedule - Advice No. 17-03-G), and Schedule 475 (Oregon Decoupling – Advice No. 17-05-G).

BEFORE THE
PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON

AVISTA UTILITIES
ADVICE NO. 17-04-G

Tariff Sheets

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AVISTA CORPORATION
dba Avista Utilities

SCHEDULE 477

RESIDUAL DEFERRAL AMORTIZATION - OREGON

APPLICABLE: Adjustments under this schedule are applicable to all bills calculated under all schedules of this Tariff.

PURPOSE: Accounts included in this tariff have previously been approved by the Commission for amortization, but which still had a small balance remaining at the end of that amortization. The accounts include the residual balances in the following:

The total balance to be amortized is a rebate of \$0.

MONTHLY RATE: Effective November 1, 2017, the charge per therm of the individual rate schedules are to be adjusted by the following amounts:

<u>Rate Schedule</u>	<u>Rate</u>
Schedule 410	\$0.00000 per Therm
Schedule 420	\$0.00000 per Therm
Schedule 424	\$0.00000 per Therm
Schedule 440	\$0.00000 per Therm
Schedule 444	\$0.00000 per Therm
Schedule 456	\$0.00000 per Therm

SPECIAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS: This schedule is subject to the General Rules and Regulations contained in this tariff and to those prescribed by regulatory authorities.

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SCHEDULE 478

DSM COST RECOVERY - OREGON

APPLICABLE:

Adjustments under this schedule are applicable to all bills calculated under all schedules of this Tariff.

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this schedule is to recover the prudent investment costs associated with OPUC-approved Demand Side Management (DSM) Programs and the margin lost as a result of energy savings achieved by implementing the Programs. These programs are implemented through Schedule 466, "CONSERVATION INVESTMENT MECHANISM".

MONTHLY RATE:

The Commodity Charge per therm of the individual rate schedules are to be adjusted by the following amounts:

Rate Schedule	Rate
Schedule 410	\$0.00000 per Therm
Schedule 420	\$0.00000 per Therm
Schedule 424	\$0.00000 per Therm
Schedule 444	\$0.00000 per Therm

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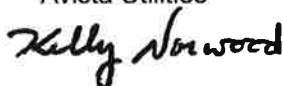
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SCHEDULE 479

SENATE BILL 408 AMORTIZATION - OREGON

APPLICABLE: Adjustments under this schedule are applicable to all bills calculated under all schedules of this Tariff.

PURPOSE: The purpose of this schedule is to recover the residual amount left at the end of the amortization period in Schedule 408 related to Senate Bill 408. The purpose of Schedule 408 was to implement the automatic clause required by Senate Bill 408 related to taxes collected from customers and taxes paid to the State of Oregon.

The Total balance to be amortized is a surcharge of \$0.

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MONTHLY RATE: Effective November 1, 2017, the charge per therm of the individual rate schedules are to be adjusted by the following amounts:

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<u>Rate Schedule</u>	<u>Rate</u>
Schedule 410	\$0.00000 per Therm
Schedule 420	\$0.00000 per Therm
Schedule 424	\$0.00000 per Therm
Schedule 440	\$0.00000 per Therm
Schedule 444	\$0.00000 per Therm
Schedule 456	\$0.00000 per Therm

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