

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION  
OF OREGON**

**UM 2277**

In the Matter of the Application of

Avista Corporation dba Avista Utilities  
Requesting Authority To Revise Its Natural  
Gas Book Depreciation Rates And Deferred  
Accounting

ALLIANCE OF WESTERN ENERGY  
CONSUMERS' PETITION TO  
INTERVENE

Pursuant to ORS 756.525 and OAR 860-001-0300(2), Alliance of Western Energy Consumers ("AWEC") hereby submits this Petition to Intervene in the above-captioned proceeding and seeks party status. In support of this Petition to Intervene, AWEC states as follows:

1. The business address of AWEC's is:

Alliance of Western Energy Consumers  
818 SW 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave., #266  
Portland, OR 97204

2. Chad M. Stokes from the law firm Cable Huston LLP will represent AWEC in this proceeding. All documents related to this proceeding should be served on AWEC's attorneys and consultants at the following addresses:

Chad M. Stokes  
Cable Huston LLP  
1455 SW Broadway, Suite 1500  
Portland, OR 97201  
Telephone: (503) 224-3092  
E-Mail: [cstokes@cablehuston.com](mailto:cstokes@cablehuston.com)

Brad Mullins  
MW Analytics, Energy & utilities  
Lummintie 13  
Oulu, Finland FI-90460  
Telephone: (503) 841-1465  
Email: [brmullins@mwanalytics.com](mailto:brmullins@mwanalytics.com)

3. AWEC is a non-profit association with a membership consisting of approximately 40 end users of natural gas with major facilities in the States of Oregon, Washington, and Idaho. AWEC members include diverse industrial and commercial interests, including those related to food processing, pulp and paper, wood products, electric generation, aluminum, steel, chemicals, electronics, and aerospace. The association provides an informational service to its members and participates in various regulatory matters that affect member interests. AWEC member companies purchase sales and transportation services from Oregon local distribution companies including Avista Corporation dba Avista Utilities.

4. This docket is related to Avista Corporation's Request for authority to revise its natural gas book depreciation rates and deferred accounting.

5. AWEC's participation in this proceeding will assist the Commission in resolving the issues, and will not unreasonably broaden the issues, unduly burden the record, or delay the proceeding.

6. WHEREFORE, AWEC respectfully requests leave to intervene and requests all the rights of a party in this proceeding.

///

///

///

Dated this 27<sup>th</sup> day of February 2023.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Chad M. Stokes".

---

Chad M. Stokes, OSB No. 004007  
Cable Huston LLP  
1455 SW Broadway, Suite 1500  
Portland, OR 97201  
Telephone: (503) 224-3092  
Facsimile: (503) 224-3176  
E-Mail: [cstokes@cablehuston.com](mailto:cstokes@cablehuston.com)

Attorneys for  
Alliance of Western Energy Consumers