

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF OREGON**

UG 201

In the Matter of)	
)	CUB REQUEST FOR AN
AVISTA CORPORATION, dba AVISTA)	AVISTA ISSUE FUND GRANT &
UTILITIES)	PROPOSED BUDGET
)	
Request for a general rate revision)	
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The Citizens' Utility Board of Oregon (CUB) requests a grant of \$45,000 from the Avista Issue Fund. This presumes a fully litigated case; settlement of some or all of the issues would likely reduce our total request for reimbursement. CUB staff will keep track of their participation by hours and activity.

CUB is precertified as per OAR 860-012-0100(3)(a). UG 201 is an eligible proceeding under the Intervenor Funding Agreement, adopted by the Commission on December 19, 2007 in Order No. 07-564, because the proceeding directly affects Avista, a participating public utility (Agreement 1(k)). CUB filed its Notice of Intent to Request an Avista Issue Fund Grant concurrent with its Notice of Intervention, as required by the Intervenor Funding Agreement (Agreement 6.2).

Pursuant to paragraph 6.3 of the Intervenor Funding Agreement, the proposed budget must identify certain points of information. We provide the information below.

(a) Statement Of Work To Be Performed: CUB intends to participate in every procedural aspect of this case. We participated in the pre-hearing conference. We will attend

and participate in all or most workshops, settlement meetings, hearings, and Commission presentations. We will review and analyze Avista's testimony and briefs. We will review and analyze testimony and briefs filed by other parties. We will pursue discovery of Avista through data requests, and will respond to data requests asked of us. We will file testimony and briefs, and present our recommendations to the Commission.

(b) Description Of Areas To Be Investigated: CUB intends to investigate issues including, but not limited to:

- A. Avista's costs and appropriate revenue requirement;
- B. Avista's long-run incremental cost study; and
- C. Avista's load forecast.
- D. Issues raised by other parties to the proceeding.

(c) Description Of The Class Or Classes Benefiting From CUB's Participation:

CUB represents the interests of Avista's residential customers, though other customer classes may benefit from many aspects of our participation. CUB has worked with the NW Industrial Gas Users (NWIGU) to share witnesses and costs in this docket.

(d) The Fund From Which CUB Seeks An Issue Fund Grant & Available Funds: CUB is seeking an issue fund grant from the Avista Issue Fund. Currently there is \$60,000 available with an additional \$30,000 being added in 2011. CUB's proposed budget of \$ 45,000 would leave roughly \$45,000 available for other intervenors.

(e) The Budget Showing Estimated Fees And Costs: CUB's budget accompanies this document as Attachment A.

(f) A Representation Of The Use Of Matching Funds: The budget and an accounting for

the use of matching funds accompanies this document as Attachment A.

Dated this 3rd day of December, 2010
Respectfully submitted,

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Bob Jenks
Executive Director
Citizens' Utility Board of Oregon

CUB Budget - UG 201

CUB Internal Expenses	Rate	Hours	Cost
<i>Staff</i>			
Bob Jenks, Executive Director	\$200	60	\$12,000
Catriona McCracken, Attorney	\$200	75	\$15,000
Ray Meyers	\$150	15	\$2,250
Gordon Feighner, Utility Analyst	\$125	100	\$12,500
John Sturm, attorney	\$125	20	\$2,500
SA Anders, Business and Projects Mgr	\$75	5	\$375
<i>Other Expenses</i>			
Printing & Mailing			\$75
Travel			\$250
CUB Consultant Expenses			
CUB Share of Revenue Requirements Witnesses			\$15,405
Witness Travel			\$2,225
In-House Resources			
20% of Eligible Expenses			(\$12,516)
Total			\$50,064
CUB Request			\$45,000.00

UG 201 – CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that, on this 3rd day of December, 2010, I served the foregoing REQUEST FOR AN AVISTA ISSUE FUND GRANT & PROPOSED BUDGET in docket UG 201 upon each party listed in the UG 201 OPUC Service List by email and, where paper service is not waived, by U.S. mail, postage prepaid, and upon the Commission by email and by sending one original by U.S. mail, postage prepaid, to the Commission's Salem offices.

(W denotes waiver of paper service)

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