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September 13, 2013

Public Utility Commission of Oregon
Attn: Filing Center
PO Box 1088
Salem, OR 97308-1088

**RE: UG-246 – In the Matter of the Application of AVISTA CORPORATION,
dba AVISTA UTILITIES, for a General Rate Revision**

In accordance with Oregon Administrative Rule 860-022-0017, Avista Corporation, dba Avista Utilities, respectfully submits the attached Affidavit of Deborah M. Simock Regarding Notice of General Rate Revision.

If you have any questions regarding this filing, please contact Paul Kimball at (509) 495-4584.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "David J. Meyer", with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

David J. Meyer
Vice President and Chief Counsel for Regulatory and Governmental Affairs

Enclosure

c: See attached service list

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that I have this day served Avista's Affidavit of Deborah M. Simock Regarding Notice of General Rate Revision, in Docket UG-246, upon the parties listed below by mailing a copy thereof, postage prepaid and/or by electronic mail.

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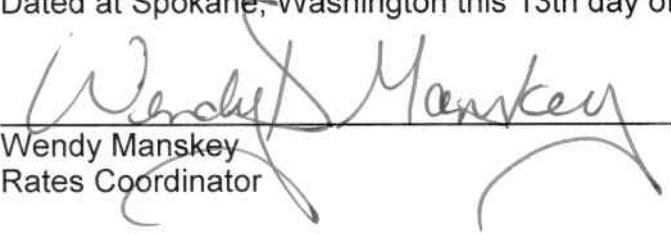
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I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Dated at Spokane, Washington this 13th day of September 2013.


Wendy Manskey
Rates Coordinator

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF OREGON

UG-201

In the matter of the Application of)
AVISTA CORPORATION, DBA)
AVISTA UTILITIES for a General)
Rate Revision)

AFFIDAVIT OF
DEBORAH M. SIMOCK
REGARDING NOTICE OF
GENERAL RATE REVISION

I, Deborah M. Simock, being first duly sworn on oath, depose and say:

1. My full name is Deborah M. Simock. I am a Senior Communications Manager with Avista Corporation (Avista).
2. Avista filed with the Public Utility Commission of Oregon its Request for a General Rate Revision on August 15, 2013, UG-246.
3. Pursuant to OAR 860-022-0017, Avista caused to be published a display advertisement announcing the General Rate Revision on Friday, August 23, 2013, in the LaGrande Observer; and Saturday, August 24, 2013, in the Ashland Daily Tidings; and Sunday, August 25, 2013, in the Medford Mail Tribune, Grants Pass Daily Courier, Klamath Falls Herald and News and Roseburg News Review. The ad size was 3 columns wide by 10 inches tall. A copy of that announcement is attached as Exhibit A.

Dated this 13th day of September, 2013.

Deborah M. Simock

SIGNED AND SWORN to before me this 13th day of September, 2013.

Patty L. Hanson

NOTARY PUBLIC in and for the State of
Washington, residing at Spokane.

Commission Expires: 11/23/2013



BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF OREGON

UG-246

AFFIDAVIT OF DEBORAH M. SIMOCK
REGARDING NOTICE OF AVISTA CORPORATION'S
GENERAL RATE REVISION

EXHIBIT A

Notice

On August 15, Avista filed a request with the Public Utility Commission of Oregon (PUC) to increase natural gas rates by an overall 9.8 percent, or \$9.5 million. If the request is approved, a residential customer using an average of 48 therms a month would see a \$6.17 increase, or 10.6 percent, for a revised monthly bill of \$64.17.

We asked for this adjustment to recover capital investments to expand and replace the facilities we use every day to serve our customers. This includes, among other things, increased investment to replace certain natural gas service pipe and to update the technology that is the backbone of our customer information system.

Avista will also make its annual Purchased Gas Adjustment (PGA) filing by August 30. PGAs are filed each year to balance the actual cost of wholesale natural gas purchased by Avista to serve customers with the amount included in rates. The PGA filing is separate from the general rate request and has no impact on company earnings.

Avista offers a variety of options to help customers with energy costs, including energy assistance and energy efficiency programs. For information on how we can help, visit us at avistautilities.com or call us at **(800) 227-9187**.

For more information

Copies of our general rate filing are available at avistautilities.com/rates, or you can review the filing by visiting our headquarters at:

**1411 E. Mission, Spokane, WA 99252-0001
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You can also view copies of the filing at one of our district offices located at:

580 Business Park Drive, Medford, OR 97504
2825 Dakota Court, Klamath Falls, OR 97603
10201 S "F" Street, Island City, OR 97850
1404 Green Siding Road, Roseburg, OR 97471

This announcement is to provide you with general information about Avista's rate request and its effect on customers. The calculations and statements in this announcement are not binding on the PUC. For more information about the filing or for information about the time and place of any hearing, contact the PUC at:

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