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Oregon Public Utility Commission Filing Center PO Box 1088 Salem OR 97308-1088

RE: Advice Filing No. 16-01

Avion is requesting a charge be added to our current tariff for hydrant boxes. Avion has constructed a hydrant box, see attached photo, which provides backflow prevention for a fire hydrant along with security and protection for that equipment. Avion is requesting the charge of \$125/month be added to our tariff Schedule 5 to cover the construction and maintenance of the boxes. Avion is also requesting a placement and re-location fee of \$105 per relocation / placement. Avion wants to have control of the boxes to make sure they are being used in approved locations so we want to do any and all locations with Avion personnel. The commodity rate will be the same as the general one, currently \$.94 per 100cft. The construction costs vary since the boxes have been built at different times, but they average around \$2300 each. There is additional costs for yearly backflow testing and maintenance. These costs vary greatly as the backflow devices may or may not require repair. We also requested this specific price because it is the same as the City of Bend, who have implemented a similar hydrant box program and we want to be consistent for local contractors. The City of Bend's charges are currently as follows: Permit = \$102.28 Monthly cost = \$111.24 Metered rate = \$1.82 Relocation fee = \$102.28.

Avion requests an effective date of May 15th, 2016

Thank you for your time and consideration,

/s/

Jason Wick

President

Avion Water Company, Inc.

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# SCHEDULE NO. 5 COMMERICAL WATER HAULERS RATES

AVAILABLE: To commercial water haulers in Deschutes and Crook Counties where the

Utility's facilities and excess capacity exist. Determination of adequacy of facilities and capacity is in the sole discretion of Avion Water Company, Inc. Each commercial water truck must be equipped with a suitable hydrant meter, suitable backflow prevention devices, and a fire hydrant wrench.

**APPLICABLE:** To all commercial water haulers.

#### **COMMERCIAL WATER HAULERS RATE**

#### **SPECIAL PROVISIONS:**

- 1. Truck meters must be presented at the Avion's office between the 1st and the 5th of each month. Bills for service are due in accordance with the tariff.
- 2. Commercial water haulers detected not using meters or proper equipment may be denied service for one month for the first offense, and denied service completely for a second offense.

#### Combined Hydrant Meter-Backflow Prevention Assembly Fee:

Permit Fee (Includes initial placement): \$125 / Month

Relocation Fee: \$125 / Month

Rental Fee: \$125 / Month

Commodity Rate: Listed in Schedule 1

Issue Date / Filing Date	3/21/16	Effective:	May 15 <sup>th</sup> , 2016
Issued By Utility	AVION WATER COMPANY, INC.		