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Advice No. 23-05-G/ UG-470 (Regulatory Commission Fees)

Public Utility Commission of Oregon
201 High Street SE, Suite 100
Salem, OR 97301

Attention: Filing Center

Pursuant to Docket UM 2053, ORS 757.259 and ORS 860-027-0300, Avista Utilities hereby electronically submits the following tariff applicable to its Oregon natural gas operations, along with a copy of its supporting workpapers, related to Avista's deferral of the change in commission fees:

Third Revision Sheet 482 canceling Second Revision Sheet 482

The Commission most recently approved the Company to defer the difference between the regulatory Commission Fees rate embedded in base rates and the actual regulatory fee assessed in Docket No. UM 2053(3). On October 27, 2022, the Commission Order No. 22-413 in Docket No. UG-441 approved the Company's request to amortize the increase in regulatory fees paid in 2022. The Company began amortizing the balance effective November 1, 2022 and is forecasting a residual rebate balance of approximately \$4,000. With this filing, the Company proposes to recover the difference between the 0.375 percent embedded in customers' rates approved in UG-433, and the current rate of 0.430 percent, approved in Docket No. UM 1012, plus the forecasted rebate balance. The proposed tariff amortization rate is designed to collect approximately \$101,000, compared to approximately \$120,000 under current rates, a decrease of \$19,000 or 0.01 percent, inclusive of the gross revenue factor and interest. The following table represents the individual rate schedules:

Rate <u>Schedule</u>	Current Amortization <u>Rate</u>	Proposed Amortization <u>Rate</u>
410 - 444	\$0.00116	\$0.00098
456	\$0.00011	\$0.00010

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 change, and the average monthly use and resulting bills under existing and proposed rates are as follows:

<u>Rate Schedule</u>	<u>Number of Customers</u>
Schedule 410	95,451
Schedule 420	12,013
Schedule 424	100
Schedule 425	0
Schedule 439	0
Schedule 440	42
Schedule 444	3
Schedule 456	31

Sch No	Description	Present Revenues	Proposed Revenues	Revenue Incr (Decr)	Percent Incr (Decr)	Monthly Use (Therms)	Present Monthly Cost	Proposed Monthly Cost	Monthly Change	Proposed Change to Monthly Cost
410	Residential	\$ 88,443,720	\$ 88,433,999	\$ (9,721)	-0.01%	47	\$ 77.01	\$ 77.00	\$ (0.01)	-0.01%
420	General	\$ 41,724,939	\$ 41,719,683	\$ (5,256)	-0.01%	203	\$ 290.01	\$ 289.98	\$ (0.03)	-0.01%
424	Large General	\$ 3,919,829	\$ 3,919,005	\$ (824)	-0.02%	3,822	\$ 3,271.67	\$ 3,270.98	\$ (0.69)	-0.02%
440	Interruptible	\$ 8,892,374	\$ 8,889,818	\$ (2,556)	-0.03%	0	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
444	Seasonal	\$ 175,406	\$ 175,370	\$ (36)	-0.02%	6,285	\$ 5,481.84	\$ 5,480.71	\$ (1.13)	-0.02%
447	Special Contracts	\$ 175,000	\$ 175,000	\$ -	0.00%	210,420	\$ 7,291.05	\$ 7,291.05	\$ -	0.00%
456	Int. Transportatio	\$ 2,526,247	\$ 2,525,959	\$ (288)	-0.01%	77,504	\$ 6,790.90	\$ 6,790.13	\$ (0.77)	-0.01%
	Total	<u>\$145,857,515</u>	<u>\$145,838,834</u>	<u>\$ (18,681)</u>	<u>-0.01%</u>					

After combining the impact of this filing with the other regulatory filings and the expiration of adder Schedule 467 (COVID Deferred Costs), which also have a November 1, 2023 effective date¹, a residential customer using an average of 47 therms a month could expect their bill to decrease by \$11.25, or 14.6 percent, for a revised monthly bill of \$65.76 effective November 1, 2023.

The Company will provide notice to customers via a newspaper advertisement both now and following the updated PGA filing in mid-September.

¹ On July 31, 2023, Avista filed to update effective November 1, 2023 Schedules 461 Purchased Gas Cost Adjustment and 462 Gas Cost Rate Adjustment (Advice No. 23-02-G), Schedule 475 Decoupling (Advice No. 23-03-G), Schedule 476 Intervenor Funding (Advice No. 23-04-G), Schedule 482 Regulatory Fee Amortization (Advice No. 23-05-G), and Schedule 493 LIRAP (Advice No. 23-06-G). Additionally, Schedule 467 COVID Deferred Costs will expire effective November 1, 2023. The net effect of all filings, and the expiration of Schedule 467, is a revenue decrease of approximately \$24 million or 16.5%.



Please direct any questions regarding this filing to Marcus Garbarino at (509) 495-2567 or marcus.garbarino@avistacorp.com.

Sincerely,

/s/ Joe Miller

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Enclosures



BEFORE THE
PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON

AVISTA UTILITIES
ADVICE NO. 23-05-G

Tariff Sheets

July 31, 2023

AVISTA CORPORATION
dba Avista Utilities

SCHEDULE 482

REGULATORY FEE 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 difference between the 0.375 percent embedded in customers' rates and the rate of 0.430 percent approved in UM 1012:

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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	\$0.00098 per Therm
Schedule 420	\$0.00098 per Therm
Schedule 424	\$0.00098 per Therm
Schedule 425	\$0.00098 per Therm
Schedule 439	\$0.00098 per Therm
Schedule 440	\$0.00098 per Therm
Schedule 444	\$0.00098 per Therm
Schedule 456	\$0.00010 per Therm

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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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Effective For Service On & After
November 1, 2023

Issued by Avista Utilities
By

Patrick Ehrbar, Director of Regulatory Affairs

