

ORDER NO. 13 299

ENTERED AUG 22 2013

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION  
OF OREGON**

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In the Matter of

AVISTA CORPORATION, dba AVISTA  
UTILITIES,

Request for a General Rate Revision.

ORDER

**DISPOSITION: TARIFF SHEETS SUSPENDED**

On August 15, 2013, Avista Corporation, dba Avista Utilities, filed tariff sheets in Advice 13-03-G to be effective September 16, 2013. The filing seeks a general increase in customer rates. We find good and sufficient cause exists to investigate the propriety and reasonableness of the tariff sheets under ORS 757.210 and 757.215.

ORS 757.215(1) authorizes the suspension of a rate filing for a period not to exceed nine months. Although the statute contemplates that the maximum suspension would occur in two steps—an initial six-month suspension followed by a second three-month suspension if necessary—we conclude at this time that a full nine-month suspension is necessary to investigate this general rate proceeding.

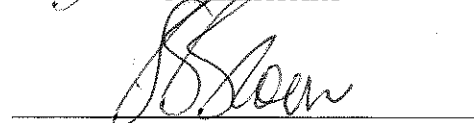
**ORDER**

IT IS ORDERED that Advice 13-03-G filed by Avista Corporation, dba Avista Utilities, is suspended for a period of time not to exceed nine months from September 16, 2013, the effective date of the tariff sheets.

Made, entered, and effective AUG 22 2013

  
Susan K. Ackerman  
Chair

  
John Savage  
Commissioner

  
Stephen M. Bloom  
Commissioner

