Mar 16 2020 **ENTERED**

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION **OF OREGON**

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In the Matter of	ORDER
AVISTA CORPORATION, dba AVISTA UTILITIES,	
Request for a General Rate Revision.	

DISPOSITION: TARIFF SHEETS SUSPENDED

On March 16, 2020, Avista Corporation, dba Avista Utilities, filed tariff sheets in Advice No. 20-02-G to be effective April 15, 2020. The filing seeks a general increase in customer rates. I 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—I conclude at this time that a full nine-month suspension is necessary to investigate this general rate proceeding.

ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that Advice No. 20-02-G filed by Avista Corporation, dba Avista Utilities, is suspended for a period of time not to exceed nine months from April 15, 2020, the effective date of the tariff sheets.

Mar 16, 2020 Made, entered, and effective Nolan Moser

Chief Administrative Law Judge