ORDER NO. 20-421

ENTERED Nov 13 2020

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: ISSUE FUND GRANT REQUEST APPROVED

On October 30, 2020, the Oregon Citizens' Utility Board filed a Request for Payment of its Avista Corporation, dba Avista Utilities Issue Fund Grant. The procedures for payment of Issue Fund Grants are governed by Section 7.3 of the Fourth Amended and Restated Intervenor Funding Agreement (Agreement), adopted by the Commission in Order No. 18-017. CUB is automatically precertified to receive Issue Fund Grants under OAR 860-001-0120(3)(a) and under Section 5.2(a) of the Agreement.

CUB asks for a final payment of \$13,470 from the Avista Utilities Issue Fund. Under the Agreement, the Request for Payment must:

- 1. Itemize the expenses, payees and hourly rates of amount to be reimbursed;
- Demonstrate that the expenses are reasonable and are directly attributable to issues and positions pursued on behalf of a particular customer class and consistent with the intervenor's proposed budget;
- Provide information sufficient to show that the intervenor has complied with any conditions imposed on the Issue Fund Grant; and
- 4. Specify whether the request for payment is for a progress payment or a final payment and indicate whether any approved budget amount may be released back to the applicable Issue Fund.

Further, under the terms of the Agreement, CUB must establish that it has used in-house resources or outside funding for at least 20 percent of the Eligible Expenses for an

