ORDER NO. 21-410

ENTERED Nov 09 2021

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 October 22, 2021, Avista Corporation, dba Avista Utilities filed tariff sheets in Advice No. 21-08-G to be effective November 22, 2021. 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. 21-08-G filed by Avista Corporation, dba Avista Utilities is suspended for a period of time not to exceed nine months from November 22, 2021, the effective date of the tariff sheets.

Made, entered, and effective Nov 9, 2021

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Nolan Moser Chief Administrative Law Judge

