BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION)) DOCKET UE-991606
Complainant,)
vs.) COMPLAINT AND ORDER
AVISTA CORPORATION) SUSPENDING TARIFF) REVISIONS
Respondent.)
)

On October 22, 1999, Avista Corporation filed with the Commission revisions to its currently effective Tariff WN U-28 designated as:

The stated effective date of the tariff revisions is December 1, 1999.

It appears that the proposed tariff revisions will result in an increase in the charges and rates for electric service rendered by Respondent, and that the rights and interests of the public might be injuriously affected. It is the decision of the Commission

to suspend the operation of the proposed tariff revisions. The Commission will initiate such hearings as are necessary and appropriate concerning the proposed tariff revisions and investigate whether the proposed rates and changes are just and reasonable.

In accordance with RCW 80.04.130, the burden of proof to show that such increases are just and reasonable shall be upon the respondent. Pursuant to RCW 80.20.020, Avista Corporation shall bear the cost of this investigation.

ORDER

- 1. The operation of the above-named tariff revisions, filed October 22, 1999, is suspended.
- 2. A hearing or hearings, on the Commission's own motion, shall be held at such times and places as may be required.
- 3. No change or alteration shall be made in the filed tariff revisions during the period of suspension without prior written authorization of the Commission.
- 4. As provided in RCW 80.20.020, Avista Corporation shall bear the cost of this investigation.

Dated at Olympia, Washington, and effective this 30th day of November, 1999.

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

MARILYN SHOWALTER, Chairwoman

WILLIAM R. GILLIS, Commissioner