



**Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission
 Annual Report of Investment Cost Recovery Incentive (RCW 82.16.110-130)**

The first report, due by August 1, 2016, will contain information on incentives paid for the July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2015 fiscal year. The second report, due February 1, 2017, will contain information on incentives paid for the July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016 fiscal year.

Annual reports are due February 1 each year for the remainder of the program.

Please use the following file naming convention: DGtaxincentive_companyname_reportyear.xls.

Please file the document in docket UE-131883.

Utility Name: Avista

Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2016 Total number of customers paid an incentive 952*

System Information							
		Number of systems that earned an incentive		Total nameplate capacity of systems (kW AC)		Average system size (kW AC)	
Technology	Classification/ Size of System	Total Systems	New Systems	Total Systems	New Systems	Total Systems	New Systems
Solar PV	Non-community solar ≤ 10 kW	263	91	1173.94	497.59	4.46	5.47
Solar PV	Non-community solar > 10 kW	26	5	519.47	57.01	19.98	11.4
Solar PV	Community Solar	3	1	463.32	423	154.44	423
Wind		20	4	112.31	21.3	5.62	5.33
Anaerobic digester							
Totals		312	101	2269.04	998.9		

Available Credits (in dollars)

Total credit available to the company under RCW 82.16.130(1)	\$ 2,584,451
Total credit paid to customers	\$ 1,146,356
Remaining credit available to company	\$ 1,438,095
Total credit earned by "company-owned community" solar systems	\$ 82,873
Remaining credit available to those systems	\$ 46,349
Total credit earned by "utility-owned community" solar systems	\$ 449,638
Remaining credit available to those systems	\$ 196,475

*Total customers paid includes 309-solar/wind and 2-"company owned community solar" and 641-"utility owned community solar" customers



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If requests for the credit exceeded the amount of credit available under RCW 82.16.130, how has the utility responded to this situation?

If requests exceeded the amount of credit available, please include the rate provided in the fiscal year under RCW 82.16.120 for:

Customer-generated Power	Rate per kWh	Community Solar Rate per kWh
Solar modules and inverter both manufactured in Washington state		
Solar modules manufactured in Washington state		
Solar or wind generating equipment with an inverter manufactured in Washington state		
Any other solar system		
Wind turbine with blades manufactured in Washington state		n/a
Any other wind turbine		n/a
Anaerobic digester		n/a

Additional Filing Requirements:

- 1 Provide any communication sent to all participants or applicants regarding the administration of the incentive program for the last fiscal year, or current fiscal year.
- 2 Net Metering Report Update (see second tab of this workbook)

Avista

**UE-131883 Distributed
Generation Report**

**DG Tax Incentive Report
Attachment**

Customer Communications

May 1, 2017

«First» «Last»
«Mailing_Address»
«City», «State» «Zipcode»

«GreetingLine»

Avista is aware that you have either a solar panel or wind turbine system installed at your residence.

This letter is to inform you that there is an annual incentive program that Avista participates in through the State of Washington called the Renewable Generation Incentive. This program provides direct payments to the customer to help offset and recover costs of the installation of renewable energy systems. Incentives are paid annually to customers as a credit on their utility bill. The incentive is available until the year 2020 and is for customer energy generators who are on-grid and produce electricity with qualifying renewable energy systems.

The first step to receive this incentive is to have your renewable system certified by the State of Washington. If you have not yet done so, please fill out and submit the form titled "Renewable Energy System Cost Recovery Certification" to the *Department of Revenue (DOR)*. After the DOR confirms your certification, the form titled "Renewable Energy System Cost Recovery Annual Incentive Payment Application" needs to be filled out and submitted to **Avista by August 31, 2017**. This information will reflect the generation period of July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017. Each year you may apply to Avista for the incentive using the Renewable Energy System Cost Recovery Annual Incentive Payment Application and include a copy of the Department of Revenue certification. This program is available to you until the year 2020.

Information about this program is available on our website at <http://www.avistautilities.com/services/interconnection/Pages/rgi.aspx> or you may contact me at 509-495-4276 for more information.

Avista commends you for supporting renewable resources. Please remember to send your paperwork to Avista by August 31st so you can benefit from the Renewable Generation Incentive Program.

Sincerely,

Camille Martin
DSM Program Manager
Avista Utilities

May 1, 2017

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Avista is aware that your renewable energy system has been certified by the State of Washington under the Renewable Energy Cost Recovery Incentive Program. This program provides direct payments to help offset and recover the costs of renewable energy systems. Incentives are paid annually to customers by Avista as a credit on their utility bill.

In order to receive the incentive for the current fiscal year a copy of your certification letter from the Department of Revenue along with the form titled “Renewable Energy System Cost Recovery Annual Incentive Payment Application” needs to be filled out and submitted to Avista **by August 31, 2017**. This information will reflect the energy generation period by your system from July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017. Each year you may apply to Avista for this incentive using the enclosed Annual Incentive Payment Application form and include a copy of the Department of Revenue proof of certification. This program is available until the year 2020.

Information about this program is available on our website at <http://www.avistautilities.com/services/interconnection/Pages/rgi.aspx> or you may contact me at 509-495-4276 for more information.

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Sincerely,

Camille Martin
DSM Program Manager
Avista Utilities



August 3, 2017

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RE: Account #

Avista has received your application for Washington State's Renewable Generation Energy System Cost Recovery program for the generation year July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017.

Your paperwork has been submitted for processing. Your incentive of \$«IncentiveAmt» will appear as a line item on your next Avista bill under the **Adjustment(s)** section. The credit will be titled "**Renewable Energy System Cost Recovery Incentive**". If you would like to receive this amount in the form of a check, please contact Avista 1-800-227-9187 to speak to a customer service representative to request that this amount be provided to you as a check.

The Renewable Generation Incentive is available on an annual basis until the year 2020. Please remember to submit to Avista every July, a copy of your Renewable Energy System Cost Recovery Annual Incentive Payment Application. You may send your application via mail, fax, or email to the contact information listed below.

Thank you for your support of renewable energy resources.

Avista Utilities

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June 1, 2017

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Avista is providing a courtesy contact today because of your solar or wind system installed at your property. We would like to remind you that it's almost time to apply for the Renewable Generation Incentive (RGI) related to the Washington State Renewable Energy Cost Recovery Incentive Program.

Also, we would like to provide you with additional information on the planned **Avista Community Solar program** set to launch this summer. As Avista continues to plan and adapt for the future we are demonstrating our commitment to renewable energy by constructing a 425 kW community-shared solar PV array to be built at the Avista Boulder Park property. The program will offer customers the opportunity to subscribe to 280 watt panels for \$1,400 each. Residential customers may purchase up to 4 panels and non-residential customers may purchase up to 8. Participating customers will then receive incentives and an energy payment from Avista through June 2020.

While individual customer generators such as yourself may participate in the community solar program, Avista wanted to make sure you were aware of our need to administer the incentives to ensure the state incentive cap is not exceeded. **There is a cap of \$5,000 per year per individual, household, business or local government entity. This \$5,000 cap is for both rooftop incentives and community solar incentives combined.** The year for incentive purposes is the generation year of July 1st – June 30th.

Based on the Avista community solar incentive of \$1.08 per kWh, participants could receive bill credits of between \$360–400 per year, per panel. A residential customer who purchases 4 panels could potentially receive up to \$1,600 per year. So while the cap may not affect you, please be aware of this information if you are interested in subscribing to community solar panels.

Lastly, please remember to complete and submit the enclosed form, “Renewable Energy System Cost Recovery Annual Incentive Payment Application” **to Avista by August 31, 2017**. This information will reflect the generation period of July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017.

To enroll in the community solar program please visit www.avistautilities.com/communitysolar or contact me at 509-495-4276 for more information.

Sincerely,

Camille Martin
DSM Program Manager
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