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Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission
 Attn: Amanda Maxwell
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 Washington Utilities & Transportation Commission
 621 Woodland Square Loop SE
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RE: Avista Corporation – Docket Nos. UE-220053 / UG-220054 / UE-210854 – Compliance Filing

Attached for filing with the Commission is an electronic copy of the Company's revisions to the following tariff sheets in compliance with the Commission's Order No. 10/04 in the above referenced dockets. The tariff sheets reflect a Rate Year 1 increase in electric base revenue of \$38.0 million and an increase in natural gas base revenue of \$12.5 million, partially offset by the Residual Tax Customer Credit, as approved by the Commission.

The Company accepts all conditions of approval set by this Order, as noted on pp. 78, 85, 99, 112 and 146.

Electric Tariffs		
Substitute 17 th Revision Sheet 1	Canceling	Substitute 16 th Revision Sheet 1
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Substitute Original Sheet 78		
13 th Revision Schedule 92	Canceling	2 nd Substitute 11 th Revision Sheet 92
Schedule 99		
8 th Revision Sheet Schedule 98	Canceling	7 th Revision Sheet 98
Special Contract Rates		
Natural Gas Tariffs		
Substitute 18th Revision Sheet 101	Canceling	Substitute 17th Revision Sheet 101
Substitute 18th Revision Sheet 111	Canceling	Substitute 17th Revision Sheet 111
Substitute 18th Revision Sheet 112	Canceling	Substitute 17th Revision Sheet 112
Substitute 3rd Revision Sheet 116	Canceling	Substitute 2 nd Sheet 116
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Substitute 18th Revision Sheet 146	Canceling	Substitute 17th Revision Sheet 146
4 th Revision Sheet 151A	Canceling	Substitute 3 rd Revision Sheet 151A
5 th Revision Sheet 175D	Canceling	4 th Revision Sheet 175D
Substitute Original Sheet 178		

In support of the tariff revisions, the Company is providing the following workpapers:

- Attachment 1 contains the workpapers supporting the RY1 Compliance Tariffs - Electric.
- Attachment 2 contains the workpapers supporting the RY1 Compliance Tariffs - Natural Gas.
- Attachment 3 contains the baseline revenue per customer calculations for Avista's Electric Decoupling Mechanism for RY1 and RY2.
- Attachment 4 contains the baseline revenue per customer calculations for Avista's Natural Gas Decoupling Mechanism for RY1 and RY2.
- Attachment 5 contains the ERM Authorized Expense and Retail Sales.
- Attachment 6 Electric Service Reliability Reporting Plan

Please note the following items that are contained in this Compliance Filing:

1. The Company has included Schedules 75 and 175, “Decoupling Mechanism” to incorporate the approved rate of return of 7.03% incorporated into the commission basis earnings test calculation.
2. The Company has included the increase in LIRAP funding related to Schedules 92 and 192 to reflect the provision that LIRAP funding will increase by the greater of two times the residential base increase as required by Senate Bill 5295, codified as RCW 80.28.425(2), and described in Company witness Mr. Bonfield’s pre-filed testimony.¹ The increase in LIRAP funding accounts for the annual 7% change that took effect on October 1, 2022. The tariff sheets also reflect the Settlement provision that the annual LIRAP rate change will move from October 1 to November 1 of each year to align with other rate change filings.
3. The Company has included Residual Tax Customer Credit Schedules 78 and 178 which partially offset the rate changes associated with base rates and increased LIRAP funding. Per Commission Order these tariffs will remain in effect for a two-year period.
4. The Company has included Colstrip Tracker Schedule 99 per the approved settlement agreement which includes an offsetting amount to base rates. These rates separately recover Avista’s Units 3 and 4 costs (exclusive of transmission investment and those costs included in the Energy Recovery Mechanism), including operating and maintenance and other expenses, depreciation expense, decommissioning and remediation costs, and return on rate base.
5. The Company has reflected the effective date change for the annual Schedule 98 Renewable Energy Credit filing from July 1 to August 1 of each year as agreed to and approved in the settlement stipulation.
6. The Company has included the Natural Gas Extension Schedule 151 tariff to reflect the line extension amount based on the net present value methodology using a two-year timeframe for 2023 and a one-year timeframe for 2024. The Company will no longer offer line extension allowances after 2025 as agreed to in the approved settlement stipulation.
7. The Company has included as Attachment 6, the final version of its Electric Service Reliability Reporting Plan as agreed to in the settlement stipulation approved in this rate case. The final plan was discussed with the parties to the settlement with no party objecting to the plan.

The Company will make a separate compliance filing by November 1, 2023 to reflect the approved Rate Year 2 rates that will become effective December 21, 2023.

Please direct any questions related to decoupling (Attachments 3, 4 & 5) to Marcus Garbarino at 509.495.2567, Attachment 6 to Shawn Bonfield at 509.495.2782 and all other tariff questions (Attachments 1 & 2) to Joe Miller at 509.495.4546.

¹ UE-220053 et al, Exh. SJB-1T, 28:10 – 30:11, 33:21-34:4, and 34:18-35:9.

Sincerely,

/s/ Patrick Ehrbar

Patrick Ehrbar
Director of Regulatory Affairs

Enclosures

c: Service List