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Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission
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 621 Woodland Square Loop SE
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RE: Avista Corporation – Docket Nos. UE-190334 / UG-190335 / UE-190222 – 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. 09 in the above referenced dockets. The tariff sheets reflect an increase in electric base revenue of \$28.5 million and an increase in natural gas base revenue of \$8.0 million, as approved by the Commission.

ELECTRIC TARIFFS		
Substitute 15 th Revision Sheet 1	Canceling	Substitute 14 th Revision Sheet 1
Substitute 15 th Revision Sheet 11	Canceling	Substitute 14 th Revision Sheet 11
Substitute 15 th Revision Sheet 21	Canceling	Substitute 14 th Revision Sheet 21
Substitute 15 th Revision Sheet 25	Canceling	Substitute 14 th Revision Sheet 25
Substitute 11 th Revision Sheet 25A	Canceling	Substitute 10 th Revision Sheet 25A
Substitute 15 th Revision Sheet 31	Canceling	Substitute 14 th Revision Sheet 31
Substitute 14 th Revision Sheet 41	Canceling	Substitute 13 th Revision Sheet 41
Substitute 14 th Revision Sheet 42	Canceling	Substitute 13 th Revision Sheet 42
Substitute 8 th Revision Sheet 42A	Canceling	Substitute 7 th Revision Sheet 42A
Substitute 14 th Revision Sheet 44	Canceling	Substitute 13 th Revision Sheet 44
Substitute 15 th Revision Sheet 45	Canceling	Substitute 14 th Revision Sheet 45
Substitute 15 th Revision Sheet 46	Canceling	Substitute 14 th Revision Sheet 46
Substitute 1 st Revision Sheet 46A	Canceling	Substitute Original Revision Sheet 46A
Substitute 14 th Revision Sheet 47	Canceling	Substitute 13 th Revision Sheet 47
Substitute 15 th Revision Sheet 47A	Canceling	Substitute 14 th Revision Sheet 47A
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3 rd Revision Sheet 75D	Canceling	2 nd Revision Sheet 75D
Substitute 2 nd Revision Sheet 75E	Canceling	1 st Revision Sheet 75E
8 th Revision Sheet 92	Canceling	7 th Revision Sheet 92
Substitute 13 th Revision Sheet 93	Canceling	12 th Revision Sheet 93
Original Sheet 94		
NATURAL GAS TARIFFS		
Substitute 16 th Revision Sheet 101	Canceling	Substitute 15 th Revision Sheet 101
Substitute 16 th Revision Sheet 111	Canceling	Substitute 15 th Revision Sheet 111
Substitute 16 th Revision Sheet 112	Canceling	Substitute 15 th Revision Sheet 112
Substitute 1 st Revision Sheet 116	Canceling	Original Sheet 116
Substitute 16 th Revision Sheet 131	Canceling	Substitute 15 th Revision Sheet 131
6 th Revision Sheet 131A	Canceling	Substitute 5 th Revision Sheet 131A
Substitute 16 th Revision Sheet 132	Canceling	Substitute 15 th Revision Sheet 132
6 th Revision Sheet 132A	Canceling	Substitute 5 th Revision Sheet 132A
Substitute 16 th Revision Sheet 146	Canceling	Substitute 15 th Revision Sheet 146
7 th Revision Sheet 149	Canceling	6 th Revision Sheet 149
Substitute 1 st Revision Sheet 175B	Canceling	Original Sheet 175B
Substitute 1 st Revision Sheet 175C	Canceling	Original Sheet 175C
3 rd Revision Sheet 175D	Canceling	2 nd Revision Sheet 175D
Substitute 2 nd Revision Sheet 175E	Canceling	1 st Revision Sheet 175E
9 th Revision Sheet 192	Canceling	8 th Revision Sheet 192
Original Sheet 194		

In compliance with the Commission's order please cancel the following tariff sheets:

Substitute 15 th Revision Sheet 121
Substitute 5 th Revision Sheet 121A
Substitute 15 th Revision Sheet 122
Substitute 5 th Revision Sheet 122A
Original Sheet 126
Original Sheet 126A
Original Sheet 126B
Original Sheet 126C
Original Sheet 126D

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

- Attachment 1 contains the workpapers supporting the Compliance Tariffs - Electric.
- Attachment 2 contains the workpapers supporting the Compliance Tariffs - Natural Gas.
- Attachment 3 contains the baseline revenue per customer calculations for Avista's Electric Decoupling Mechanism.
- Attachment 4 contains the baseline revenue per customer calculations for Avista's Natural Gas Decoupling Mechanism.

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

1. As it relates to the refunds associated to the Remand proceeding, paragraph 129 of Order 09 states “Avista must return \$4,919,000 to electric customers and \$3,571,000 to natural gas customers over the course of a single year through separate tariffs.” In compliance with the Commissions determination the Company has created two new rate Schedules, 94 electric, and 194 natural gas, to administer the refunds over a one-year period beginning April 1st. Consistent with Order 11 in the 2015 Avista Remand Dockets (UE-150204 and UG-150205) the Company has spread the refunds on uniform percentage of revenue basis for electric and a uniform percentage of margin revenue basis for natural gas, which is consistent with the rate spread the Commission approved in Order 05 in the Company’s 2015 general rate case.
2. As it relates to the ERM refunds, paragraph 133 of Order 09 states “Under these circumstances, we find that rather than returning an equal portion of the ERM deferral balance over two years, which would result in a rate increase to electric customers during this difficult time, the better course of action is to return a greater portion of the ERM deferral balance in the first year to achieve a net zero revenue requirement impact beginning April 1, 2020.” The Company has determined that a year-one ERM rebate of \$24,003,000 is necessary to achieve a net zero revenue requirement impact beginning April 1, 2020. This increased rebate in year-one leaves a smaller amount available to be rebated to customers in year-two. The year-two rebate amount will be approximately \$18,316,000. The rates associated with both rebate years are reflected in Schedule 93.
3. The Company has also included Schedule 149, “Backup and Supplemental Compressed Natural Gas Service” to reflect the new first block rate for Schedule 111. That rate is one of the key components to determine the Retail Rate per Gas Gallon Equivalent under that schedule.
4. The Company has also included Schedules 75 and 175, “Decoupling Mechanism” to incorporate the exclusion of new customers in the calculation of the monthly decoupling deferrals and the change in effective date of the annual filings from November 1 to August 1 as ordered by the Commission.
5. Consistent with the increased funding for the LIRAP programs outlined in Attachment A, pages 3 and 6, to the Settlement Stipulation, the Company has included Schedules 92 (electric) and 192 (natural gas) to reflect the approved rates. Total LIRAP funding will increase by approximately \$422 thousand electric and \$179 thousand natural gas on April 1, 2020 as approved by the Commission.
6. The Company will work with its low-income agencies by August 1, 2020 to incorporate the increase in funding of \$650,000 for low-income weatherization as ordered by the Commission.

Please direct any questions related to decoupling (Attachments 3 & 4) to Tara Knox at 509.495.4325 and all other tariff questions (Attachments 1 & 2) to Joe Miller at 509.495.4546.

Sincerely,

/s/ Patrick Ehrbar

Patrick Ehrbar
Director of Regulatory Affairs

Enclosures

c: Service List