

Avista Corp.
1411 East Mission P.O. Box 3727
Spokane, Washington 99220-0500
Telephone 509-489-0500
Toll Free 800-727-9170



January 22, 2009

Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission
1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive S. W.
P.O. Box 47250
Olympia, Washington 98504-7250

Attention: Mr. David Danner, Executive Director and Secretary

TARIFF WN U-28, ELECTRIC SERVICE, and
TARIFF WN U-29, NATURAL GAS SERVICE

RECEIVED
JAN 23 2009
STATE OF WASH
UTIL AND TRANSP
COMMISSION

Avista Corporation ("the Company") hereby submits the attached filing seeking Commission authorization to increase its rates and charges for its electric and natural gas services to its electric and natural gas customers in the state of Washington. With this filing the Company requests an overall increase in billed rates of 16.0% or \$69.8 million for electric service and 2.4% or \$4.9 million for natural gas service, to be implemented at the end of the general rate case proceedings. As part of the filing, the Company also proposes to decrease the current Energy Recovery Mechanism surcharge by \$32.4 million, or 7.4%, for an overall net increase of 8.6%.

Additionally, Avista Corporation requests that the Commission **immediately suspend the operation of the general tariff revisions** included in this filing, and set the matter for hearing including the establishment of a prehearing conference at the earliest possible date in accordance with WAC 480-07-440(1)(a).

Service of documents pertaining to this filing should be to the following Avista Corporation representatives:

David J. Meyer, Esq.
VP and Chief Counsel for
Regulatory and Governmental Affairs
Avista Corporation
PO Box 3727
1411 E. Mission Ave, MSC-13
Spokane, WA 99220-3727
david.meyer@avistacorp.com
(509) 495-4316
(509) 495-8851 (FAX)

Kelly O. Norwood
VP, State & Federal Regulation
Avista Corporation
PO Box 3727
1411 E. Mission Ave, MSC-7
Spokane, WA 99220-3727
kelly.norwood@avistacorp.com
(509) 495-4267
(509) 495-8856 (FAX)

Enclosed with this filing are an original and two copies of the following proposed tariff sheets formatted with the coding required by WAC 480-80-105, and three copies in legislative format as required by WAC 480-07-510:

7 th Revision Sheet 1	Canceling	6 th Revision Sheet 1
7 th Revision Sheet 11	Canceling	6 th Revision Sheet 11
7 th Revision Sheet 21	Canceling	6 th Revision Sheet 21
7 th Revision Sheet 25	Canceling	6 th Revision Sheet 25
4 th Revision Sheet 25A	Canceling	3 rd Revision Sheet 25A

7 th Revision Sheet 31	Canceling	6 th Revision Sheet 31
6 th Revision Sheet 41	Canceling	5 th Revision Sheet 41
6 th Revision Sheet 42	Canceling	5 th Revision Sheet 42
6 th Revision Sheet 44	Canceling	5 th Revision Sheet 44
7 th Revision Sheet 45	Canceling	6 th Revision Sheet 45
7 th Revision Sheet 46	Canceling	6 th Revision Sheet 46
6 th Revision Sheet 47	Canceling	5 th Revision Sheet 47
7 th Revision Sheet 47A	Canceling	6 th Revision Sheet 47A
7 th Revision Sheet 101	Canceling	6 th Revision Sheet 101
7 th Revision Sheet 111	Canceling	6 th Revision Sheet 111
7 th Revision Sheet 112	Canceling	6 th Revision Sheet 112
7 th Revision Sheet 121	Canceling	6 th Revision Sheet 121
7 th Revision Sheet 122	Canceling	6 th Revision Sheet 122
7 th Revision Sheet 131	Canceling	Sub. 6 th Revision Sheet 131
7 th Revision Sheet 132	Canceling	Sub. 6 th Revision Sheet 132
7 th Revision Sheet 146	Canceling	6 th Revision Sheet 146
15 th Revision Sheet 156	Canceling	14 th Revision Sheet 156


In support of this filing, the Company has enclosed 19 copies of its prepared direct testimony and exhibits, as well as 3 copies of work papers showing how test year data were adjusted. A summary document pertaining to the filing is provided as well as the financial reports and other documents required under WAC 480-07-510. An electronic version of this filing and all supporting documents are enclosed as well. The Office of Public Counsel has also been served with a copy of all such documents at the time of filing with the Commission.

Certain sections of the work papers of Richard L. Storro, Scott J. Kinney, William G. Johnson, and Clint G. Kalich have CONFIDENTIAL information. The work papers of Clint G. Kalich are only being provided electronically on CD. Additionally as required by WAC 480-07-160(3)(a), the Company is also submitting an Attorney's Claim of Confidentiality regarding the submission of the unredacted versions of the above-referenced CONFIDENTIAL workpapers. These work papers should be treated as CONFIDENTIAL per WAC 480-07-160 and RCW 80-04-095.

Three copies of a "Notice of Tariff Change" are enclosed. This notice will be posted in the Company's offices coincident with the date of this filing. A service list is attached, with the parties on the service list receiving a complete copy of the pre-filed testimony and exhibits.

Additional copies of this filing, supporting testimony and exhibits are available from the Company upon request. Questions regarding this filing should be directed to Liz Andrews at (509) 495-8601.

Sincerely,


 Kelly Norwood
 VP, State & Federal Regulation

Enclosures

c: See attached service lists

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that I have served Avista Corporation's Direct Testimony and Exhibits in its Washington Electric and Gas General Rate Case Filing, by mailing a copy thereof, postage prepaid to the following:

David W. Danner, Executive Director and Secretary
Washington Utilities & Transportation Commission
1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive SW
P.O. Box 47250
Olympia, WA 98504-7250
ddanner@wutc.wa.gov

S Bradley Van Cleve
Irion Sanger
Davison Van Cleve, PC
333 S.W. Taylor, Ste. 400
Portland, OR 97204
BVC@DVCLaw.com
IAS@DVCLaw.com

Ronald L. Roseman
Attorney at Law
The Energy Project
2011 Fourteenth Avenue East
Seattle, WA 98112
ronaldroseman@comcast.net

Paula E. Pyron
Northwest Industrial Gas Users
4113 Wolf Berry Court
Lake Oswego, OR 97035-1827
ppyron@nwigu.org

Michael Early
Executive Director
ICNU
333 S.W. Taylor, Ste 400
Portland, OR 97204
mearly@icnu.org


Simon ffitch
Office of the Attorney General
Public Counsel Section
800 Fifth Avenue, Suite 2000
Seattle, WA 98104-3188
simonf@atg.wa.gov

Gregory J. Trautman
Michael Fassio
Assistant Attorney General
1400 S. Evergreen Park Dr. SW
Olympia, WA 98504-0128
gtrautma@utc.wa.gov
mfassio@utc.wa.gov

Chad M. Stokes
Tommy Brooks
Northwest Industrial Gas Users
Cable Huston Benedict
Haagensen & Lloyd LLP
1001 SW 5th Avenue, Suite 2000
Portland, OR 97204-1136
cstokes@cablehuston.com
tbrooks@cablehuston.com

Chuck Eberdt
The Energy Project
1322 N. State St.
Bellingham, WA 98225
Chuck_Eberdt@opportunitycouncil.org

Dated at Spokane, Washington this 22nd day of January 2009.



Patty Olsness
Rates Coordinator