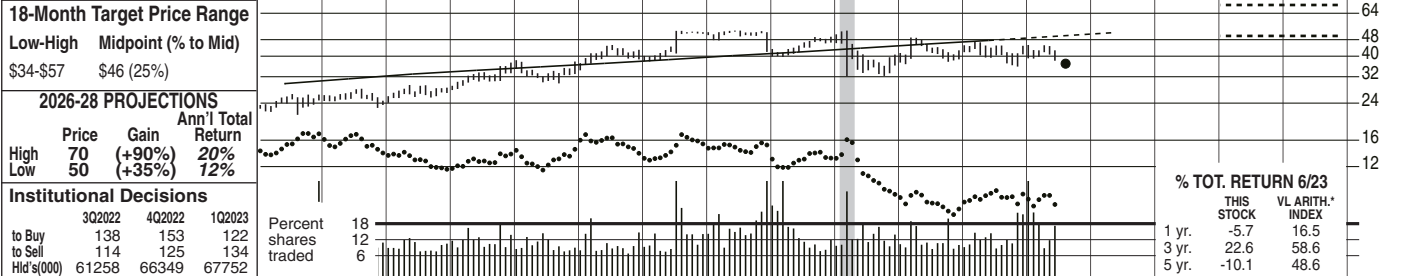


TIMELINESS 4 Lowered 7/21/23	High: 28.0 29.3 37.4 38.3 45.2 52.8 52.9 49.5 53.0 49.1 46.9 45.3	Target Price Range 2026 2027 2028
SAFETY 2 Raised 5/7/10	Low: 22.8 24.1 27.7 29.8 34.3 37.8 41.9 39.8 32.1 36.7 35.7 36.0	128
TECHNICAL 1 Raised 6/2/23	LEGENDS — 27.0 x Dividends p sh ... Relative Price Strength Options: Yes Shaded area indicates recession	96
BETA .90 (1.00 = Market)		80



2026-28 PROJECTIONS															Ann'l Total Return	
High	70	Gain (+90%)	20%												20%	
Low	50	Gain (+35%)	12%												12%	
Institutional Decisions															Percent shares traded	
3Q2022	4Q2022	1Q2023												18		
to Buy	138	153												12		
to Sell	114	125												6		
Hlds(000)	61258	66349												6		

2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	© VALUE LINE PUB. LLC	26-28
26.80	30.77	27.58	27.29	27.73	25.86	26.94	23.66	23.83	22.47	22.08	21.27	20.03	19.09	20.13	22.82	23.25	23.45	Revenues per sh	24.10
2.93	3.98	4.45	3.62	3.78	3.70	4.36	4.36	4.92	5.30	4.87	5.01	6.06	5.16	5.34	4.40	4.90	5.35	"Cash Flow" per sh	6.60
.72	1.36	1.58	1.65	1.72	1.32	1.85	1.84	1.89	2.15	1.95	2.07	2.97	1.90	2.10	2.12	2.30	2.45	Earnings per sh A	3.00
.60	.69	.81	1.00	1.10	1.16	1.22	1.27	1.32	1.37	1.43	1.49	1.55	1.62	1.69	1.76	1.84	1.92	Div'd Decl'd per sh B	2.15
4.04	4.09	3.86	3.64	4.20	4.61	5.05	5.47	6.46	6.34	6.30	6.46	6.59	5.84	6.15	6.03	6.50	6.55	Cap'l Spending per sh	6.80
17.27	18.30	19.17	19.71	20.30	21.06	21.61	23.84	24.53	25.69	26.41	26.99	28.87	29.31	30.14	31.15	32.95	34.50	Book Value per sh C	37.25
52.91	54.49	54.84	57.12	58.42	59.81	60.08	62.24	62.31	64.19	65.49	65.69	67.18	69.24	71.50	74.95	77.00	78.50	Common Shs Outst'g D	85.00
30.9	15.0	11.4	12.7	14.1	19.3	14.6	17.3	17.6	18.8	23.4	24.5	15.0	21.2	20.2	20.0	Bold figures are Value Line estimates		Avg Ann'l P/E Ratio	20.0
1.64	.90	.76	.81	.88	1.23	.82	.91	.89	.99	1.18	1.32	.80	1.09	1.09	1.16			Relative P/E Ratio	1.10
2.7%	3.4%	4.5%	4.8%	4.5%	4.6%	4.5%	4.0%	4.0%	3.4%	3.1%	2.9%	3.5%	4.0%	4.0%	4.2%			Avg Ann'l Div'd Yield	3.6%

CAPITAL STRUCTURE as of 3/31/23
Total Debt \$2774.5 mill. **Due in 5 Yrs** \$30.0 mill.
LT Debt \$2530.0 mill. **LT Interest** \$140.0 mill.
 Incl. \$51.5 mill. debt to affiliated trusts; \$42.5 mill. finance leases.
 (LT interest earned: 2.2x)
Leases, uncapitalized Annual rentals \$10.3 mill.
Pension Assets-12/22 \$540.7 mill. **Oblig** \$557.7 mill.
Pfd Stock None

2020	2021	2022	
% Change Retail Sales (KWH)	-2.4	+4.3	+3.1
Avg. Indust. Use (MWH)	NA	NA	NA
Avg. Indust. Revs. per KWH (c)	6.38	6.41	6.62
Capacity at Peak (Mw)	NA	NA	NA
Peak Load, Summer (Mw)	1721	1889	1810
Annual Load Factor (%)	NA	NA	NA
% Change Customers (yr-end)	+1.8	+1.4	-1.0

Cal-endar	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2020	390.2	278.6	272.6	380.5	1321.9
2021	412.9	298.2	296.0	431.8	1438.9
2022	462.7	378.6	359.4	509.5	1710.2
2023	474.6	370	355	590.4	1790
2024	490	380	370	600	1840

Cal-endar	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2020	.72	.26	.07	.85	1.90
2021	.98	.20	.20	.71	2.10
2022	.99	.16	d.08	1.05	2.12
2023	.73	.20	.20	1.17	2.30
2024	.75	.23	.22	1.25	2.45

Cal-endar	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31	Full Year
2019	.3875	.3875	.3875	.3875	1.55
2020	.405	.405	.405	.405	1.62
2021	.4225	.4225	.4225	.4225	1.69
2022	.44	.44	.44	.44	1.76
2023	.46	.46			

BUSINESS: Avista Corporation (formerly The Washington Water Power Company) supplies electricity & gas in eastern Washington & northern Idaho. Supplies electricity to part of Alaska & gas to part of Oregon. Customers: 411,000 electric, 377,000 gas. Acq'd Alaska Electric Light and Power 7/14. Sold Ecova energy-management sub. 6/14. Electric rev. breakdown: residential, 38%; commercial, 30%; industrial, 10%; wholesale, 17%; other, 5%. Generating sources: gas & coal, 31%; hydro, 31%; purch., 38%. Fuel costs: 35% of revs. '22 reported depr. rate (Avista Utilities): 3.6%. Has 1,767 employees. Chairman: Scott L. Morris. Pres. & CEO: Dennis Vermillion. Inc.: WA. Address: 1411 E. Mission Ave., Spokane, WA 99202-2600. Tel.: 509-489-0500. Internet: www.avistacorp.com.

Regardless of the first-quarter showing, Avista remains on target to reach earnings of \$2.30 a share this year. Earnings in the March period missed our expectations by a wide margin, which is not all that uncommon for utilities. Still, this situation can be fully explained. Rate cases in Washington and Idaho dating back to 2021 came with customer tax credits. These credits will be fully returned by the end of the third quarter this year. After that, the utility margin will improve, but income tax is spread throughout the year as a percentage of pretax income based on the estimated annual effective tax rate. This will alter the shape of quarterly earnings in 2023. Management has said that 35% of annual utility earnings will be recognized in the first quarter. After that, the distribution will be 5% in the second quarter, 10% in the third quarter, and 50% in the fourth quarter. All told, the provided earnings spread remains at \$2.27 to \$2.47 per share, and our figure slants toward the low end of this range. Furthermore, this seems like a good time to reiterate to our subscribers to not focus on sequential showings, as opposed to the

annual earnings for utilities. **Earnings next year are apt to grow by roughly 5% to 7%.** This is a touch slower than what we are looking for in 2023, but in line with what leadership is looking for from an annual perspective. Further rate plan approvals may well be in the cards, particularly in Idaho, and the expected larger revenue base will be a welcome sight. In that vein, our \$2.45-a-share target looks doable. **Clean energy goals continue to be executed upon.** A contract for new wind generation in Montana was a nice step forward. Add that to hydro pacts and 70% of Avista's peak generating capability will be produced from non-emitting resources by 2026. Factoring in some additional spending on these fronts, our capital expenditure figure for 2023 is now hovering around the \$500 million line. **This untimely selection has a yield that is more than a full percentage point above the average utility within our coverage.** Longer term, appreciation potential is only about average from the stock's recent price points. *Erik M. Manning* July 21, 2023

(A) Diluted EPS. Excl. nonrec. gain (loss): '14, 9c; '17, (16c); gains on discount. ops.: '14, \$1.17; '15, 8c. EPS may not sum due to rounding. Next earnings report due early August.	(B) Div's paid in mid-Mar., June, Sept. & Dec. Div'd reinvest. plan avail. (C) Incl. deferred chgs. In '22: \$911.2 mill., \$12.16/sh. (D) In mill. (E) Rate base: Net orig. cost. Rate allowed on com. eq. in WA in '21: 9.4%; in ID in '21: 9.4%; in OR in '21: 9.4%; earned on avg. com. eq., '22: 7.1%. Regulatory Climate: WA, Below Avg.; ID, Above Avg.	Company's Financial Strength B++ Stock's Price Stability 75 Price Growth Persistence 40 Earnings Predictability 65
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