

BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION
COMMISSION

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND)	
TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION,)	DOCKET NO. UG-021584
)	
Complainant,)	
)	THIRD SUPPLEMENTAL
v.)	ORDER; ACCEPTING
)	COMPLIANCE FILING
AVISTA CORPORATION d/b/a)	
AVISTA UTILITIES,)	
)	
Respondent.)	
.....)	

- 1 **Proceeding.** Docket No. UG-021584 is a tariff filing by Avista Corporation d/b/a Avista Utilities (Avista) for certain tariff revisions directly affecting Avista Tariff Schedule 163, which would modify and extend Avista's "Natural Gas Benchmark Mechanism" (Benchmark Mechanism) for two years. The Benchmark Mechanism (current and proposed) establishes the natural gas costs for Purchased Gas Adjustment deferral purposes.
- 2 **Suspension.** On January 29, 2003, the Commission entered a Complaint and Order suspending tariff revisions. Ordering paragraph (2) directs that Avista Utilities' existing tariff sheet 163 shall be extended one year to January 29, 2004. The existing tariff schedule expires by its terms on March 31, 2003.
- 3 **Filing.** On February 28, 2003, Avista filed with the Commission a proposed Second Revision Sheet No. 163, to extend the termination date until January 29, 2004.
- 4 **Compliance.** The Commission has examined the Company's February 28, 2003, filing and it appears to be in full compliance with the instructions in the Order of Suspension.
- 5 **Effect.** The Commission orders that Second Revision Sheet 163, canceling First Revision Sheet 163, to Tariff WN U-29 Natural Gas Service should be approved, to be effective April 1, 2003, as filed.

6 **Order.** It is so ordered.

Dated at Olympia, Washington, and effective this ____ day of March, 2003.

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

MARILYN SHOWALTER, Chairwoman

RICHARD HEMSTAD, Commissioner

PATRICK J. OSHIE, Commissioner