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SCHEDULE 190 - continued

4. FUNDING AND NONMONETARY ASSISTANCE

4.1 Funding

The Company shall offer incentives for projects with measure lives of ten years or greater based upon the simple payback of the individual project relative to the current energy code or industry practice that is applicable to the project. Simple payback is defined as the incremental capital cost associated with the energy efficiency of the project divided by the energy savings per year. Energy savings are calculated using the current energy rates. The incentives shall be as follows:

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| Measures | Simple Pay-Back Period | Incentive Level (dollars/first year therm saved) (Minimum measure life of 10 years) |
|------------------------|------------------------|---|
| Natural Gas Efficiency | 1 to under 2 years | \$1.30 |
| | 2 to under 4 years | \$1.70 |
| | 4 to under 6 years | \$2.00 |
| | 6 to under 13 years | \$2.30 |
| | 13 years and Over | \$2.30 |

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Site Specific Incentives in which the tier structure applies will be capped at 70% of the incremental project cost for projects with simple paybacks less than five years. All other site specific project incentives calculated under the tier structure will be capped at 50% of incremental project cost.

Incentives for efficiency measures within the following categories shall not exceed 100% of the project cost:

- 4.1.1 Energy efficiency programs delivered by community action agencies contracted by the Company to serve Limited Income or vulnerable customer segments including agency administrative fees and health and human safety measures;
- 4.1.2 Low-cost natural gas efficiency measures with demonstrable energy savings (e.g. rooftop unit service);
- 4.1.3 Programs or services supporting or enhancing local, regional or national natural gas efficiency market transformation efforts.
- 4.1.4 Prescriptive programs are guided by the typical application of that measure in accordance with the previously defined incentive structure. Incentive levels for these programs are based on market conditions at the time of the program design and are not dependent on actual project cost relative to incentive caps. Incentives shall not exceed project costs.

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Avista Corporation will actively pursue natural gas efficiency opportunities that may not fit within the prescribed services and simple pay-back periods described in this tariff. In these circumstances the customer and Avista Corporation will enter into a site specific services agreement.

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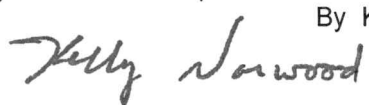
4.2 Non-Monetary Assistance

Non-monetary assistance is service that does not involve the granting of direct monetary incentives to the customer. This type of assistance is available across all applicable segments. This assistance may be provided in various ways that include, but are not limited to, the following:

- 4.2.1. Educational**, training or informational activities that enhance resource efficiency. This may include technology or customer-segment specific seminars, literature, trade-show booths, advertising or other approaches to increasing the awareness and adoption of resource efficient measures and behaviors.
- 4.2.2. Financial** activities intended to reduce or eliminate the financial barriers to the adoption of resource efficiency measures. This may include programs intended to reduce the payment rate for resource efficiency measures, direct provision of leased or loaned funds or other approaches to financial issues by better than existing market terms and conditions.
- 4.2.3. Product samples** may be provided directly to the customer when resource efficient products may be available to the utility at significantly reduced cost as a result of cooperative buying or similar opportunities.
- 4.2.4. Technical Assistance** may consist of engineering, financial or other analysis provided to the customer by or under the direction of, Avista Corporation staff. This may take the form of design reviews, product demonstrations, third-party bid evaluations, facility audits, measurement and evaluation analysis or other forms of technical assistance that addresses the cost-effectiveness, technical applicability or end-use characteristics of customer alternatives.

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5. BUDGET & REPORTING

The natural gas efficiency programs defined within this tariff will be funded by surcharges levied within Schedule 191. The Company will manage these programs to obtain resources that are cost-effective from a Total Resource Cost perspective and achievable through utility intervention. Schedule 191 will be reviewed periodically and revised as necessary to provide adequate funding for natural gas efficiency efforts.

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6. GENERAL RULES AND PROVISIONS

Service under this schedule is subject to the General Rules and Provisions contained in this tariff and is limited to facilities receiving natural gas service from the Company.

All installations and equipment must comply with all local code and permit requirements applicable and be properly inspected, if required, by appropriate agencies. The Company may establish specifications regarding any natural gas efficiency measures and modifications to be effected under this schedule and may conduct inspections to insure that such specifications are met.

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