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August 1, 2016

Steven V. King  
Executive Director and Secretary  
Washington Utilities & Transportation Commission  
1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive S. W.  
P.O. Box 47250  
Olympia, Washington 98504-7250

Dear Mr. King:

Attached for electronic filing with the Commission is the following tariff sheet proposed to be effective October 1, 2016:

**Fourth Revision Sheet 192 Canceling Third Revision Sheet 192**

The purpose of this filing is to increase the amount of total natural gas “Low Income Rate Assistance Rate Adjustment” (LIRAP) funding by 7 percent in compliance with Commission Order No. 05, in Docket UG-150205. By way of background, Order No. 05 required Avista to file revisions to Schedule 192 to increase LIRAP funding by 7 percent for the program year beginning October 1, 2016 and annual funding increases through the program year beginning October 1, 2019, by August 15<sup>th</sup> of each year.

The Company requests the Commission approve the proposed increase in rates and charges in Schedule 192 with an effective date of October 1, 2016. The estimated annual revenue change associated with this filing is an increase of approximately \$0.2 million for natural gas Schedule 192, or an increase of 0.1% in overall billed rates. The proposed rate increase will have an average monthly bill impact to residential natural gas customers using 66 therms of \$0.08, or 0.1%.

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The Company will provide notice to customers, by way of a bill insert, in the August/September billing cycle. Please direct any questions regarding this filing to Joe Miller at (509) 495-4546, or me at (509) 495-8620.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Patrick Ehrbar", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Patrick Ehrbar  
Senior Manager, Rates & Tariffs

Enclosures