

**Exh. KMH-13
Dockets UE-240006/UG-240007
Witness: Kristen M. Hillstead**

**BEFORE THE WASHINGTON
UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

**WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND
TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION,**

Complainant,

v.

AVISTA CORPORATION,

Respondent.

**DOCKETS UE-240006 & UG-240007
(Consolidated)**

EXHIBIT TO

TESTIMONY OF

KRISTEN M. HILLSTEAD

**STAFF OF
WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND
TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

Avista's Response to UTC Staff Data Request No. 212

July 3, 2024

**AVISTA CORP.
RESPONSE TO REQUEST FOR INFORMATION**

JURISDICTION:	WASHINGTON	DATE PREPARED:	05/17/2024
CASE NO.:	UE-240006 & UG-240007	WITNESS:	Joel Anderson/Joe Miller
REQUESTER:	UTC Staff	RESPONDER:	Joe Miller
TYPE:	Data Request	DEPT:	Regulatory Affairs
REQUEST NO.:	Staff – 212	TELEPHONE:	(509) 495-4546
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SUBJECT: Natural Gas Basic Charge

REQUEST:

Please provide the individual cost components the Company has included in its proposed residential monthly basic charge, i.e. meters, customer costs, etc., that support an increase from \$9.50 to \$15 for Rate Year 1, and from \$15 to \$20 for Rate Year 2.

RESPONSE:

As stated in the testimony of Company witness Miller the total customer allocated costs for Schedule 101, as Shown in Exh. JCA-3, page 4, line 24, are \$37.43 per customer per month. Included in the fixed costs in the \$37.43 noted above are the cost of the meter and service, and the costs associated with billing and providing customer service, which amounts to \$18.60 per customer per month, as shown in Exh. JCA-3, page 4 line 22. The customer allocated costs are detailed in the electronic workpaper of Company witness Anderson, labeled “240006-07-AVA-JCA-Natural Gas Cost of Service Workpapers”. Refer to the tab labeled “Detail”, columns BI - BN, which show the allocation of customer related costs by FERC account and rate schedule. These customer related costs include meters and services distribution related costs, a portion of general plant costs (buildings, office furniture, communication equipment etc.) and Administrative and General, which have been allocated by the common cost allocator. The total customer allocated costs do not include any underground storage or distribution related costs (mains and regulator stations) that have been classified as demand or energy related within the study.