

Avista Corp.
1411 East Mission P.O. Box 3727
Spokane, Washington 99220-3727
Telephone 509-489-0500
Toll Free 800-727-9170



April 11, 2011

Mr. David Danner, Executive Director and Secretary
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission
P.O. Box 47250
Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Re: Docket No. UE-011595, Monthly Power Cost Deferral Report, March 2011

Dear Mr. Danner:

Enclosed are an original and five copies of Avista Corporation's Power Cost Deferral Report for the month of March 2011. The report includes the monthly energy recovery mechanism (ERM) accounting journal together with backup workpapers. In March actual net power costs were lower than authorized costs by \$1,963,023. The year-to-date difference is \$7,598,744 in the rebate direction. A deferral of \$1,472,267 was recorded in the rebate direction. The year-to-date rebate deferral is \$2,699,058, which represents 75% of the amount above the \$4 M deadband.

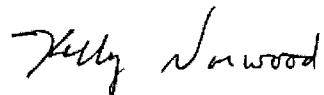
Actual power supply expense was lower than the authorized level due primarily to higher hydro generation. Hydro generation was 204 aMW above the authorized level, which was the second highest March hydro generation since 1997. Power and natural gas prices were also below the authorized levels. The average power purchase price was \$35.44/MWh compared to an authorized price of \$41.61/MWh, and the average natural gas price was \$4.14/dth compared to an authorized price of \$5.12/dth.

Colstrip and Kettle Falls generation were 16 and 30 aMW below the authorized levels, respectively. Gas-fired generation was 258 aMW below the authorized level. The net transmission expense (transmission expense less transmission revenue) was above the authorized level. Washington retail sales were 1 aMW above the authorized level.

Interest is calculated pursuant to the Settlement Stipulation approved by the Commission's Fifth Supplemental Order in Docket No. UE-011595, dated June 18, 2002. Interest is applied to the average of the beginning and ending month deferral balances net of associated deferred federal income tax. The Company's weighted cost of debt is used as the interest rate. The interest rate is updated semi-annually and interest is compounded semi-annually. The January and July reports contain the supporting workpapers for the semi-annual updates of the weighted cost of debt used in the interest calculations. Page 5 of the January 2011 report shows the calculation of the weighted cost of debt at December 31, 2010, which will be used for the January-June 2011 period.

There were no forward long-term contracts of one year or longer entered into in the month of March 2011. If you have any questions, please contact Bill Johnson at (509) 495-4046 or Ron McKenzie at (509) 495-4320.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kelly Norwood". The signature is fluid and cursive, with "Kelly" on top and "Norwood" below it, slightly overlapping.

Kelly Norwood

Vice President State and Federal Regulation

RM

Enclosure

C: Mary Kimball, S. Bradley Van Cleve

AVISTA CORPORATION
STATE OF WASHINGTON
DOCKET NO. UE-011595
POWER COST DEFERRAL REPORT

MONTH OF MARCH 2011

Avista Corporation Journal Entry

Journal: 481-WA ERM
 Team: Resource Accounting
 Type: C
 Category: DJ
 Currency: USD

Effective Date: 201103

Last Saved by: Rick Lloyd
 Submitted by: Rick Lloyd
 Approved by:

Last Saved: 04/07/2011 9:44 AM

Approval Requested: 04/07/2011 9:45 AM

<u>Seq</u>	<u>Co.</u>	<u>FERC</u>	<u>Ser.</u>	<u>Jur.</u>	<u>S.I.</u>	<u>Debit</u>	<u>Credit</u>	<u>Comment</u>
			ED	WA	DL			
10	001	186280 - REGULATORY ASSET ERM DEFERRED					1,472,267.00	
		CURRENT YEAR						
20	001	557280 - DEFERRED POWER SUPPLY EXPENSE	ED	WA	DL	1,472,267.00		
30	001	431600 - INTEREST EXPENSE ENERGY DEFERRALS	ED	WA	DL	7,502.00		
40	001	186280 - REGULATORY ASSET ERM DEFERRED	ED	WA	DL		7,502.00	
		CURRENT YEAR						
		Totals:				1,479,769.00	1,479,769.00	

Explanation:

Record current month deferred power supply costs, and interest per WA accounting order.

Rick Lloyd
 Prepared by Rick Lloyd
Joe S.
 Reviewed by Joe S.

4/7/11
 Date
4/7/2011
 Date

Approved for Entry
 Corporate Accounting use Only

ERM Deferral Balance (Current Year - 2011)

Account 186280.ED.WA

<u>Amount</u>	<u>Journal ID</u>
-\$1,227,123.00	481 - WA ERM
-1,472,267.00	481 - WA ERM
-7,502.00	481 - WA ERM
-\$2,706,892.00	

Balance 2/28/11

Balances Deferral

Interest

Balance 3/31/11

Year to date deferrals

Year to date interest

Balance in account

	<u>Total</u>	<u>Absorbed</u>	<u>Deferred</u>
First \$4,000,000 at 100%	-\$4,000,000.00	-\$4,000,000.00	\$0.00
\$4,000,000 to \$10,000,000 at 75%	-3,598,744.00	-899,686.00	-2,699,058.00
Over \$10,000,000 at 10%	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total	-\$7,598,744.00	-\$4,899,686.00	-\$2,699,058.00

ERM Deferral Balance (Prior year - 2010)

ERM Delinquent Balances (V)
Account 186290, ED.WA

Balance 2/28/11

Balance Interest

Interest
Balance 3/31/11

<u>Amount</u>	<u>Journal ID</u>
\$0.00	
0.00	481 - WA ERM
\$0.00	

Recoverable Deferral Balance

Account 182350.ED.WA

Balance 2/28/11

Interest

Balance 3/31/11

<u>Amount</u>	<u>Journal ID</u>
\$0.00	
0.00	481 - WA ERM
<hr/> <u>\$0.00</u>	

DEIT Associated with ERM Deferrals

<u>Account 283280.ED.WA</u>	
Account 186280.ED.WA balance	-\$2,706,892.00
Account 186290.ED.WA balance	0.00
Account 182350.ED.WA balance	0.00
Total	-\$2,706,892.00
Federal income tax rate	-35%
Deferred FIT related to deferrals	\$947,412
Rounding	1
Balance in account	\$947,413

Actual cost of debt at 12/31/10 is The monthly rate is		Actual cost of debt at 06/30/11 is The monthly rate is	
	0.00468 Before Tax 0.0030409 After Tax 0.35 Tax rate		1.000% 0.00003 Before Tax 0.0005417 After Tax 0.35 Tax rate
Account 186280			0
		January	DFIT Expense
January	ERM Deferral	0	Operating 0
January	Interest	0	Nonoperating 0
1/31/2011	Balance before interest	0	Total 0
February	ERM Deferral	(1,226,791)	DFIT Expense
February	Interest	1,865	Operating (429,377)
2/28/2011	Balance before interest	1,226,791	Nonoperating (653)
March	ERM Deferral	0	Total (430,030)
March	Interest	3,731	DFIT Expense
3/31/2011	Balance before interest	1,226,791	Operating 0
April	ERM Deferral	0	Nonoperating (1,306)
April	Interest	2,724	Total (1,306)
		April	DFIT Expense
		Deferral	Operating 0
		Interest	Nonoperating (1,306)

#41533.00

Avista Corp. - K ce Accounting

Line	No.	WASHINGTON ACTUALS	Jan-11	Feb-11	Mar-11	Apr-11	May-11	Jun-11	Jul-11	Aug-11	Sep-11	Oct-11	Nov-11	Dec-11
1	555 Purchased Power	\$23,001,732	\$21,159,193	\$19,053,388	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
2	447 Sale for Resale	(\$11,503,112)	(\$8,726,578)	(\$6,556,192)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
3	501 Thermal Fuel	\$2,393,545	\$1,297,553	\$2,159,437	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4	547 CT Fuel	\$5,189,184	\$3,527,911	\$1,360,752	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
5	456 Transmission Revenue	(\$740,040)	(\$728,798)	(\$838,596)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
6	565 Transmission Expense	\$1,492,452	\$1,437,473	\$1,480,530	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
7	557 Broker Fees	\$42,656	\$64,015	\$129,860	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
8	Less Clearwater directly assigned to ID	(\$1,697,271)	(\$1,416,274)	(\$1,198,155)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
9	Adjusted Actual Net Expense	\$18,179,148	\$16,654,495	\$15,659,324	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
		AUTHORIZED NET EXPENSE-SYSTEM	Jan-11	Feb-11	Mar-11	Apr-11	May-11	Jun-11	Jul-11	Aug-11	Sep-11	Oct-11	Nov-11	Dec-11
10	555 Purchased Power	\$11,944,984	\$9,846,565	\$0,853,067	\$6,732,714	\$4,712,966	\$4,927,815	\$7,041,743	\$7,484,808	\$6,620,235	\$6,005,442	\$5,349,912	\$9,537,086	
11	447 Sale for Resale	(\$5,563,619)	(\$4,040,473)	(\$3,415,529)	(\$4,350,682)	(\$5,618,561)	(\$5,671,884)	(\$10,007,193)	(\$7,148,106)	(\$6,784,137)	(\$2,871,280)	(\$4,145,606)	(\$4,239,456)	
12	501 Thermal Fuel	\$3,348,316	\$3,062,689	\$3,327,639	\$1,902,982	\$1,556,472	\$1,454,724	\$3,034,374	\$3,234,240	\$3,367,673	\$3,270,601	\$3,355,439	\$3,355,029	
13	547 CT Fuel	\$10,313,555	\$9,955,514	\$8,687,285	\$3,518,933	\$2,675,756	\$3,284,621	\$11,094,720	\$13,127,806	\$12,566,735	\$11,569,664	\$13,114,461	\$14,645,319	
14	456 Transmission Revenue	(\$801,304)	(\$825,004)	(\$1,002,240)	(\$698,432)	(\$1,028,104)	(\$1,371,347)	(\$1,379,878)	(\$1,150,203)	(\$1,025,629)	(\$1,027,312)	(\$925,342)	(\$810,690)	
15	565 Transmission Expense	\$1,583,916	\$1,428,384	\$1,489,847	\$1,545,721	\$1,353,126	\$1,424,184	\$1,446,414	\$1,475,811	\$1,441,885	\$1,464,318	\$1,464,565	\$1,517,909	
16	557 Broker Fees	\$10,359	\$10,359	\$10,359	\$10,359	\$10,359	\$10,359	\$10,359	\$10,359	\$10,359	\$10,359	\$10,359	\$10,359	
17	Authorized Net Expense	\$22,736,207	\$19,448,034	\$19,950,428	\$8,461,615	\$3,661,014	\$4,078,472	\$11,240,539	\$17,168,148	\$16,063,688	\$18,506,590	\$21,138,950	\$23,905,556	
18	Actual - Authorized Net Expense	(\$4,557,061)	(\$2,793,539)	(\$4,291,104)										
19	Resource Optimization	\$931,933	\$592,287	\$1,299,211										
20	Adjusted Net Expense	(\$3,625,128)	(\$2,201,252)	(\$2,991,893)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
21	Washington Allocation	64.87%	64.87%	64.87%	64.87%	64.87%	64.87%	64.87%	64.87%	64.87%	64.87%	64.87%	64.87%	64.87%
22	Washington Share	(\$2,351,621)	(\$1,427,952)	(\$1,940,841)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
23	WA Retail Revenue Adjustment	\$154,343	(\$2,010,491)	(\$22,182)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
24	Net Power Cost (+) Surcharge (-) Rebate	(\$2,197,278)	(\$3,438,443)	(\$1,963,023)										
25	Cumulative Balance	(\$2,197,278)	(\$5,635,721)	(\$7,598,744)	#VALUE!	#VALUE!	#VALUE!	#VALUE!	#VALUE!	#VALUE!	#VALUE!	#VALUE!	#VALUE!	
input	10,000,000 and up	\$0	\$0	\$0	#VALUE!	#VALUE!	#VALUE!	#VALUE!	#VALUE!	#VALUE!	#VALUE!	#VALUE!	#VALUE!	
input	4,000,000 to \$10M	\$0	(\$1,635,721)	(\$3,598,744)	#VALUE!	#VALUE!	#VALUE!	#VALUE!	#VALUE!	#VALUE!	#VALUE!	#VALUE!	#VALUE!	
input	0 to \$4M check # should be zero	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
	Deferral Amount, Cumulative (Customer)	\$0	(\$1,226,791)	(\$2,699,058)										
	Deferral Amount, Monthly	\$0	(\$1,226,791)	(\$1,472,267)										
	Account 557 - Actuals	\$0	\$1,226,791	\$1,472,267										
	Company Band Gross Margin Impact, Cumulative	(\$2,197,278)	(\$4,408,930)	(\$4,899,696)	#VALUE!	#VALUE!	#VALUE!	#VALUE!	#VALUE!	#VALUE!	#VALUE!	#VALUE!	#VALUE!	

Avista Corp. ,urce Accounting
WASHINGTON DEFERRED POWER COST CALCULATION - ACTUAL SYSTEM POWER SUPPLY EXPENSES

Line No.	<u>555 PURCHASED POWER</u>	Jan-11	Feb-11	Mar-11	Apr-11	May-11	Jun-11	Jul-11	Aug-11	Sep-11	Oct-11	Nov-11	Dec-11
1	ST Purchases	\$13,701,024	\$12,638,899	\$12,254,383	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
2	Chelan-Rocky Reach	\$133,680	\$157,761	\$137,408	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
3	Douglas-Wells	\$146,954	\$146,954	\$146,954	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4	Grant-Prest Rapids/Wanapum	\$505,464	\$505,463	\$505,461	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
5	Grant-Displacement	\$412,606	\$391,159	\$403,468	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
6	Douglas Wells Settlement	\$45,606	\$76,060	\$91,284	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
7	WNP-3 (1)	\$3,337,872	\$3,034,183	\$1,657,782	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
8	Deer Lake+P&L	\$141	\$693	\$637	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
9	Small Power	\$136,766	\$135,254	\$128,323	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
10	Stimson Lumber	\$179,922	\$165,034	\$145,830	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
11	City of Spokane-Upriver	\$321,567	\$362,494	\$295,778	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
12	Douglas Exchange Capacity	\$45,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
13	Black Crik Hydro	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
14	JP Morgan Ventures Wind	\$355,193	\$308,730	\$341,013	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
15	Lancaster PPA (Rathdrum)	\$1,860,812	\$1,820,509	\$1,748,975	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
16	Cleanwater (PFI)	\$1,697,271	\$1,416,274	\$1,198,155	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
17	WPM Ancillary Services	\$66,508	\$68,104	\$55,981	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
18	Non-Mon. Accruals	\$35,346	(\$34,378)	(\$28,044)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
19	Total 555 Purchased Power	\$23,001,732	\$21,199,193	\$19,083,388	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
(1) Effective November, 2008, WNP-3 purchase expense has been adjusted to reflect the mid-point price, per Settlement Agreement, Cause No. U-86-99													
<u>447 SALES FOR RESALE</u>													
20	Short-Term Sales	(\$6,752,558)	(\$5,256,186)	(\$3,552,583)	\$0	\$0	\$0	(\$50)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
21	Peaker LLC/PGE Cap Sale	(\$146,620)	(\$146,345)	(\$144,955)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
22	Nichols Pumping Index Sale	(\$97,088)	(\$73,975)	(\$68,628)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
23	Sovereign/Kaiser Load Following	(\$6,386)	(\$5,871)	(\$6,667)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
24	Pend Oreille DES	(\$41,841)	(\$38,713)	(\$41,440)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
25	Northwestern Load Following	(\$250,968)	(\$32,256)	(\$35,742)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
26	NatureEner Glacier Wind	(\$117,683)	(\$99,520)	(\$97,452)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
27	SMUD 50 + 25	(\$2,127,448)	(\$747,084)	(\$1,39,292)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
28	Merchant Ancillary Services	(\$1,963,120)	(\$1,126,618)	(\$1,171,443)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
29	Total 447 Sales for Resale	(\$11,503,112)	(\$8,726,578)	(\$6,558,192)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<u>501 FUEL-DOLLARS</u>													
30	Kettle Falls Wood-501110	\$720,927	(\$7,551)	\$361,831	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
31	Kettle Falls Gas-501120	(\$686)	\$1,293	\$6,213	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
32	Colstrip Coal-501140	\$1,650,366	\$1,277,058	\$1,798,049	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
33	Colstrip Oil-501160	\$22,948	\$26,753	\$13,344	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
34	Total 501 Fuel Expense	\$2,393,545	\$1,287,553	\$2,199,437	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<u>501 FUEL-TONS</u>													
35	Kettle Falls	30,205	-	16,111	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
36	Colstrip	84,543	75,306	87,235	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<u>547 FUEL-COST PER TON</u>													
37	Kettle Falls	wood	\$23.87	\$16.96	\$23.70	\$20.61							
38	Colstrip	coal	\$19.52										
39	NE CT Gas/Oil-547213	(\$14,185)	\$18,860	\$2,804	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
40	Boulder Park-547216	\$19,111	\$55,131	\$13,543	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
41	Kettle Falls CT-547211	\$13,997	(\$9,423)	(\$88)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

Deferral Report
Month of Mar '11
Page 9 of 11

WASHINGTON DEFERRED POWER COST CALCULATION - ACTUAL SYSTEM POWER SUPPLY EXPENSES

Jurce Accounting

DATA CORP. JURCE ACCOUNTING

D POWER COST CALCULATION - ACTUAL SYSTEM POWER SUPPLY EXPENSES

CALCULATION - ACTUAL SY

ST CALCULATION - ACTUAL SYSTEM POWER SUPPLY EXPENSES

65 TRANSMISSION EXPENSE

60 565412 FDAN \$0 \$0 \$0 \$0 \$0 \$0 \$0

01 30371 UCR FIN

US \$ 100,000.00

TOMATOES 351

64 Econ Dispatch-557010

Gas Bookouts-5577700 \$2,518,750 \$672,420 \$672,008 \$0 \$0 \$0

68	Intraco Thermal Gas-557730	\$1,754,217	\$3,870,301	\$4,967,612	\$0	\$0

7-1 **Procedure Optimization** \$1,000
\$600 061 \$500 229 \$1,300 940
\$0 \$0 \$0 \$0 \$0 \$0 \$0

卷之三

2013 **2012** **2011** **2010** **2009**

Revenue	\$20.7B	\$19.7B	\$19.2B	\$18.7B	\$18.2B
Net Income	\$2.0B	\$1.9B	\$1.8B	\$1.7B	\$1.6B
EPS	\$0.33	\$0.20	\$0.19	\$0.18	\$0.17

77 Clearwater REC Actuals - 557160

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE NIST

12 Wind REC Fair Actual 557395
80 Wind REC Fair Actual 557395
(\$15,036) (\$12,836) (\$14,179) \$0 \$0 \$0 \$0 \$0 \$0 \$0 \$0

81 Wind HEC Subtotal
81 Wind HEC Subtotal

82 Net Resource Optimization

83 Adjusted Actual Net Expense \$20,808,350 \$18,663,056 \$18,156,690

Deferral Report
Month of Mar '11
Page 10 of 11

Energy Recovery Mechanism (ERM) Retail Revenue Credit Calculation - 2011

	Retail Sales - MWh	Jan-11	Feb-11	Mar-11	Apr-11	May-11	Jun-11	Jul-11	Aug-11	Sep-11	Oct-11	Nov-11	Dec-11	YTD
Total Billed Sales	550,386	515,941	497,287											1,563,614
Deduct Prior Month Unbilled	(420,723)	(394,368)	(407,182)	(391,621)										(1,613,894)
Add Current Month Unbilled	394,368	407,182	391,621											1,193,171
Total Retail Sales	524,030	528,755	481,727	(391,621)										1,142,891
Test Year Retail Sales	527,098	488,793	481,286	395,019	410,896	405,797	418,60	415,346	406,549	415,472	473,454	539,219	5,407,529	
Difference from Test Year	(3,068)	39,962	441											37,335
Production Rate - \$/MWh	\$50.31	\$50.31	\$50.31	\$50.31	\$50.31	\$50.31	\$50.31	\$50.31	\$50.31	\$50.31	\$50.31	\$50.31	\$50.31	
Total Revenue Credit - \$	(\$154,343)	\$2,010,491	\$22,182											\$1,878,330