

**BEFORE THE WASHINGTON STATE  
UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND	)	DOCKET NO. UE-050482
TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION,	)	and
	)	DOCKET NO. UG-050483
Complainant,	)	<i>(Consolidated)</i>
	)	
v.	)	
	)	NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
AVISTA CORPORATION d/b/a	)	<b>(Set for Tuesday, October 11, 2005,</b>
AVISTA UTILITIES,	)	<b>at 5:00 p.m.)</b>
	)	
Respondent.	)	
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- 1 On March 30, 2005, Avista Corporation d/b/a Avista Utilities (Avista or the Company) filed certain tariff revisions to its currently effective Tariff WNU-28 and Tariff WN U-29 designed to effect a general rate increase in its electric service (UE-050482) and gas service (UG-050483) in Washington. The proposed revisions provide for general rate increases of 11.4 percent for the electric tariffs and 1.7 percent for the gas tariffs. The Commission, by Order No. 01, suspended the operation of the general tariff revisions and consolidated the dockets for hearing.
  
- 2 On August 12, 2005, Staff filed a multi-party settlement agreement executed by Staff, Avista, NWIGU, and the Energy Project ("Settlement Parties"). Public Counsel and ICNU do not agree to the proposed settlement. The Settlement Parties argue that their agreement is in the public interest, and should be approved and adopted by the Commission to resolve all issues in this proceeding.

3 The Commission will convene a hearing on the proposed settlement to receive evidence from all parties to the proceeding. The Commission will also hear comment by members of the public on the proposed settlement agreement. After consideration of the record of evidence, including comments from members of the public, the three-member Commission will enter a signed, written order to inform the parties and public of its decision.

4 **NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing to provide the Commission an opportunity to receive comments, testimony and exhibits from members of the public concerning the proposed settlement agreement will be held at the following time and location:**

**Tuesday, October 11, 2005 , at 5:00 p.m.**

**Ramada Inn Spokane Airport**

**8909 Airport Road**

**Spokane, Washington**

**The public hearing will continue until all comments are heard or until 7:00 p.m., whichever occurs first. Comments should be reasonably brief, taking no more than about 5 minutes per person. The Commission will accept supplemental comments in writing both at the public hearing and by mail directed to:**

**Executive Secretary**

**Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission**

**1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive S.W.**

**PO Box 47250**

**Olympia, WA 98504-7250**

DATED at Olympia, Washington, and effective this 29th day of August, 2005.

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

CAROLE J. WASHBURN  
Executive Secretary