Exhibit (SGH-15)

## AVISTA CORPORATION

## OVERALL COST OF CAPITAL

Type of Capital	Amount	Perenetage	Cost Rate	Weighted Avg. Cost Rate
Equity	\$17,196,286	49.00%	8.75%	4.29%
Debt	<u>\$13,873,026</u>	51.00%	<u>5.42%</u>	2.76%
Total	\$31,069,312	100.00%	•	7.05%

## PRE-TAX INTEREST COVERAGE\* = 3.39x

\*Assuming the Company experiences, prospectively, an income tax rate of 35%, the pre-tax overall return would be 9.36% [7.05%-2.76% = 4.29%/(1-35%) = 6.60%+2.76%]. That pre-tax overall return (9.36%), divided by the weighted cost of debt (2.76%), indicates a pre-tax interest coverage level of 3.39 times.

Capital structure and debt costs from Company filing.