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SCHEDULE 190 NATURAL GAS EFFICIENCY PROGRAMS WASHINGTON

1. AVAILABILITY

The services described herein are available to qualifying residential, commercial, and industrial, retail natural gas distribution customers of Avista Corporation for the purpose of promoting the efficient use of natural gas. Customers receiving natural gas distribution service provided under special contract and/or customers receiving natural gas services not specified under Tariff Schedule 191 (Natural Gas Efficiency Rider Adjustment) are not eligible for services contained in this schedule unless specifically stated in such contract or other service agreement. The Company may provide partial funding for the installation of natural gas efficiency measures and may provide other services to customers for the purpose of identification and implementation of cost effective natural gas efficiency measures as described in this schedule. Facilities-based services are available to owners of facilities, and also may be provided to tenants who have obtained appropriate owner consent.

Assistance provided under this schedule is limited to end uses where natural gas is or would be the energy source and to measures which increase the efficient use of natural gas. Assistance may take the form of monetary incentives or non-monetary incentives, as further defined within this tariff. The acquisition of resources is cost-effective as defined by a Utility Cost Test (UCT) as a portfolio. Customer participation under this schedule shall be based on eligibility requirements contained herein.

2. ELIGIBLE CUSTOMER SEGMENTS

All customers in all customer segments to whom this tariff is available are eligible for participation in natural gas efficiency programs developed in compliance with this tariff. The broad availability of this tariff does not preclude the Company from targeting measures, markets and customer segments as part of an overall effort to increase the cost-effectiveness and access to the benefits of natural gas efficiency.

3. MEASURES

Only natural gas efficiency measures with verifiable energy savings are eligible for assistance. Measure eligibility may not necessarily apply to all customer segments. Final determination of applicable measures will be made by the Company.

Market transformation ventures will be considered eligible for funding to the extent that they improve the adoption of natural gas efficiency measures that are not fully accepted in the marketplace. These market transformation efforts may include efforts funded through regional alliances or other similar opportunities.

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4. FUNDING AND NONMONETARY ASSISTANCE

4.1 Funding

The Company shall offer incentives for projects with measure lives of ten years or greater based upon the simple payback of the individual project relative to the current energy code or industry practice that is applicable to the project. Simple payback is defined as the incremental capital cost associated with the energy efficiency of the project divided by the energy savings per year. Energy savings are calculated using the current energy rates. The incentives shall be as follows:

Measures	Simple Pay-Back Period	Incentive Level (dollars/first year therm saved) (Minimum measure life of 10 years)
Natural Gas Efficiency	Under 15 years	\$3.00
	Over 15 years	\$0

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All projects will be capped at 70% of incremental project cost based upon the above tiers.

Incentives for efficiency measures within the following categories shall not exceed 100% of the project cost:

- 4.1.1 Energy efficiency programs delivered by community action agencies contracted by the Company to serve Limited Income or vulnerable customer segments including agency administrative fees and health and human safety measures;
- 4.1.2 Low-cost natural gas efficiency measures with demonstrable energy savings (e.g. rooftop unit service);
- 4.1.3 Programs or services supporting or enhancing local, regional or national natural gas efficiency market transformation efforts.
- 4.1.4 Prescriptive programs are guided by the typical application of that measure in accordance with the previously defined incentive structure. Incentive levels for these programs are based on market conditions at the time of the program design and are not dependent on actual project cost relative to incentive caps. Incentives shall not exceed project costs.

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