

AVISTA CORP.
RESPONSE TO REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

JURISDICTION:	WASHINGTON	DATE PREPARED:	07/07/2016
CASE NO.:	UE-160228 & UG-160229	WITNESS:	Patrick Ehrbar
REQUESTER:	Public Counsel/Energy Project	RESPONDER:	Patrick Ehrbar
TYPE:	Data Request	DEPT:	State & Federal Regulation
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REQUEST:

RE: Response to Public Counsel and The Energy Project Data Request Nos. 055 and 056. In Public Counsel and The Energy Project Data Request No. 055, Avista was asked to confirm that it is not proposing, nor is it planning to propose, residential rate schedules that would provide an incentive to shift usage from peak to off peak. In Public Counsel and The Energy Project Data Request No. 056, Avista was asked to confirm that it is not proposing, nor is it planning to propose, residential rate schedules that would provide an incentive to reduce usage on a particular day or time of day (e.g., variable pricing). Avista's response to Public Counsel and The Energy Project Data Request No. 055 states that the advance metering system would allow the optionality to consider future billing or rate options and that Avista expects that the costs of developing and implementing those future options will be considered in future cases. Avista's response to Public Counsel and The Energy Project Data Request No. 056 refers to the response to Public Counsel and The Energy Project Data Request No. 055.

- a) Please confirm that Avista is not currently proposing residential rate schedules that would provide an incentive to shift usage from peak to off-peak.
- b) Please state whether Avista is planning to propose within the next 18 months residential rate schedules that would provide an incentive to shift usage from peak to off-peak. If so, please also state what analysis Avista has done to develop such rate schedules, including but not limited to when Avista anticipates implementing such rate schedules.
- c) Please confirm that Avista is not currently proposing residential rate schedules that would provide an incentive to reduce usage on a particular day or time of day.
- d) Please state whether Avista is planning to propose within the next 18 months residential rate schedules that would provide an incentive to reduce usage on a particular day or time of day. If so, please also state what analysis Avista has done to develop such rate schedules, including but not limited to when Avista anticipates implementing such rate schedules.

RESPONSE:

- a. As noted in Exhibit No.__(PDE-1T), p. 10, ll. 16-18, Avista has not proposed any changes to its existing rate structures in this proceeding.
- b. Avista has not yet determined what rate design changes it may or may not request in a future rate proceeding. However, the deployment of the advanced metering system, which would need to be in place in order to provide uniform time-of-use rates or other AMI-enabled rate design changes, will not be complete until 2020. Once complete, Avista may or may not seek changes to its rate designs based on the specific circumstances facing the Company at that time.
- c. See a. above.
- d. See b. above.