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A. UTILITIES

Item	Docket	Company Description
1.	UE-210114	Avista Corporation
		Revises Tariff WN U-28, Schedule 73 Residential Debt Relief Program to establish and implement a temporary COVID-19 bill assistance program for residential customers effective April 1, 2021, following the Term Sheet the Commission approved in Docket U-200281. Under this program, the Company will administer financial relief to households that have participated in the Company's Energy Assistance Programs in the past two years, and households at or below 200 percent of federal poverty line, up to a maximum benefit of \$2500. The total funding available is \$6.5 million of which \$5.0 million is assigned to support electricity payments and \$1.5 million is assigned to support payments for natural gas service. The Company will defer the cost and seek recovery at a later date.
		Tariff Revision
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2. UG-210115 Avista Corporation

Add new Tariff sheets to WN U-29, Schedule 173, to revise Avista Corporation's Washington COVID-19 Bill Assistance – Residential Debt Relief Program effective April 1, 2021, following the term sheet the Commission approved in Docket U-200281. Avista will provide debt relief up to \$2,500 to qualifying low-income households. The total funding available is \$6.5 million of which \$5.0 million is devoted to supporting electric bills and \$1.5 million is assigned to supporting natural gas bill payments. The Company will defer the cost and seek recovery at a later date.

Tariff Revision

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3. UE-210131 PacifiCorp

Revises WN U-76, adding a new tariff Schedule 119 to implement the Company's temporary COVID-19 residential bill assistance program (Automatic Grant, for customers who have received low income assistance through the Company, and Arrearage Forgiveness Grant, for certain other customers), effective April 1, 2021, following the Term Sheet the Commission approved in Docket U-200281. The total funding available is \$3.1 million. The Company will defer the cost and seek recovery at a later date.

Tariff Revision

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4. UG-210137 Puget Sound Energy

Revises Tariff WN U-2, Schedule 129, to implement PSE's second Crisis Affected Customer Assistance Program (CACAP-2), effective April 12, 2021. CACAP-2 will provide up to \$2,500 in bill assistance for each qualifying low-income household, per program year, with a total program budget of \$7,700,000 for gas customers. The Company will defer the cost and seek recovery at a later date.

Tariff Revision

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5. UE-210138 Puget Sound Energy

Revises Tariff WN U-60, Schedule 129, to implement PSE's second Crisis Affected Customer Assistance Program (CACAP-2), effective April 12, 2021. CACAP-2 will provide up to \$2,500 in bill assistance for each qualifying low-income household, per program year, with a total program budget of \$20,000,000 for electric customers. The Company will defer the cost and seek recovery at a later date.

Tariff Revision

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6. UG-210145 Cascade Natural Gas Corporation

Revises Tariff WN U-3, adding new tariff Schedule 304 to implement the Company's temporary COVID-19 residential bill assistance program (Big Heart grant), effective April 1, 2021, following the Term Sheet the Commission approved in Docket U-200281. The total funding available is \$2.5 million. The Company will defer the cost and seek recovery at a later date.

Tariff Revision

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7. UE-200413 Puget Sound Energy

Petition to amend the date by which the company must file its draft request for proposals for demand response resources from the April 1, 2021, due date established in Order 04 to November 15, 2021. The petition further asks to expand the scope of the request for proposals to include all distributed energy resources.

Petition

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8. UE-210122 Puget Sound Energy

Revises Tariff WN U-60, Schedule 551 Electric Vehicle Non-Residential Charging Products and Services to shift from time-based rates to energy-based rates, and to institute a new charge for the time when an electric vehicle stays at a charging port but is no longer charging.

Tariff Revision

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B. TRANSPORTATION

Item	Docket	Company Description		
1.	TG-200987	Peninsula Sanitation Service, Inc.		
		General Rate Case in compliance with Order 03 issued in Docket TG-190476 that would generate approximately \$350,000 additional annual revenue. The company provides solid waste collection service to 3,000 customers in Pacific County. The company's last general rate increase became effective February 1, 2014.		
		Tariff Revision		
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2.	TG-210038	Mason County Garbage Co., Inc.		
		Tariff revisions for a general rate increase that would generate approximately \$541,000 (7.4 percent) in additional annual revenue for the collection of garbage, recycling in Mason County. The company's last general rate increase was effective April 1, 2013 and brought the company an additional \$139,000 in revenue. The company serves approximately 13,800 residential garbage, 14,000 residential recycling customers, 100 roll off, and 1,000 commercial customers in Mason County.		
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C. OTHER

Item	Docket	Company Description
1.	U-210187	Washington Department of Commerce
		Informational briefing by Washington Department of Commerce regarding rental and low-income utility assistance programs offered by the agency.
		Special Presentation
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D. RECESSED

E. CONSENT

F. NO ACTION

Item	Docket	Re/Filed Effective	Company Description
1.	UE-210077	2/5/2021	Avista Corporation
		4/1/2021	Revises Tariff WN U-28, Schedule 92 - Low-Income Rate Assistance Program, adding a Percentage of Income Payment Plan, an Arrearage Management Plan, and a Past Due Payoff.
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2.	UG-210078	2/5/2021	Avista Corporation
		4/1/2021	Revises Tariff WN U-29, Schedule 192 - Low-Income Rate Assistance Program, adding a Percentage of Income Payment Plan, an Arrearage Management Plan, and a Past Due Payoff.
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3.	UW-210090	2/10/2021	Northbay Water Utility Corporation
		4/1/2021	Tariff revision adding the Graham Water System (ID # AC1794) to the tariff. Northbay Water has been providing service to Graham Water System. The existing rates for Graham water system are higher than Northbay Water. Northbay Water will use its current rates resulting in an overall reduction in rates to the four active customers. The company provides water service to 225 customers on 47 water systems in Lewis and Thurston County.
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4.	TG-210107	2/11/2021	Waste Management of Washington, Inc.
		4/1/2021	Tariff revision recovering the annual assessment by Douglas County of a fee imposed on solid waste collection in unincorporated Douglas County. Waste Management's share of the fee is \$198,105, an increase of \$8,023 over the 2020 assessment. Due to customer and tonnage growth, the actual rates to customers will decrease approximately 15 percent. The rate will become effective April 1, 2021. The company serves approximately 7,211 residential and 587 roll off customers in Douglas County.
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5.	UT-210134	2/26/2021	Frontier Communications Northwest, LLC
		4/2/2021	Revises Tariff WN U-7, specifically the Woodland exchange map boundaries, in order to complete the settlement discussed in Docket UT-200751 in Order 01, paragraph 6, dated March 10, 2021.
			Tariff Revision
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6.	UT-210144	3/2/2021	Kalama Telephone Company
		4/2/2021	Revises Tariff WN U-1, specifically the Kalama exchange map boundaries, in order to complete the settlement discussed in Docket UT-200751 in Order 01, paragraph 6, dated March 10, 2021.
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7.	TC-210162	3/10/2021	The Rock Transportation Services Corporation
		4/1/2021	Time Schedule 14 revisions increasing the number of runs and adjusting all route times accordingly. The company provides auto transportation service from points on Whidbey Island to SeaTac International Airport.
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