

# MINUTES

Thursday, August 11, 2022

9:30 A.M.

PRESENT: David Danner, Chairman  
Ann Rendahl, Commissioner

The regular virtual meeting of the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission was called to order on Thursday, August 11, 2022 by Chairman Danner. Nieri Carrasco, Director, Regulatory Services, indicated that Docket No. TS-220588, Arrow Launch Service, Inc. has been added to the Consent Agenda.

## E)1. Consent 00:00 mp4

Disposition: Commissioner Rendahl moved to approve the consent agenda and directs the Secretary to sign orders and/or letters necessary to affect each action. Chairman Danner seconded the motion. The motion carried (2:0).

## UTILITIES:

- A)1. 1:18 mp4 Docket Number UE-220400; Avista Corporation; 2022 Annual Renewable Portfolio Standard Report pursuant to WAC 480-109-210. Plan

Appearances: Jade Jarvis, Nash Callaghan, staff; Glenn Blackmon, Department of Commerce; Charlee Thompson, Northwest Energy Coalition; Corey Dahl, Public Counsel; Susan Free, Puget Sound Energy; Shawn Bonfield, Avista Corporation;

This item was for discussion only and will be moved to a future open meeting.

- A)2. 1:18 mp4 Docket Number UE-220405; Puget Sound Energy; 2022 Annual Renewable Portfolio Standard Report pursuant to WAC 480-109-210. Plan

Appearances: Jade Jarvis, Nash Callaghan, staff; Glenn Blackmon, Department of Commerce; Charlee Thompson, Northwest Energy Coalition; Corey Dahl, Public Counsel; Susan Free, Puget Sound Energy; Shawn Bonfield, Avista Corporation;

This item was for discussion only and will be moved to a future open meeting.

- A)3. 1:18 mp4 Docket Number UE-220410; PacifiCorp; 2022 Annual Renewable Portfolio Standard Report pursuant to WAC 480-109-210. Plan

Appearances: Jade Jarvis, Nash Callaghan, staff; Glenn Blackmon, Department of Commerce; Charlee Thompson, Northwest Energy Coalition; Corey Dahl, Public Counsel; Susan Free, Puget Sound Energy; Shawn Bonfield, Avista Corporation;

This item was for discussion only and will be moved to a future open meeting.

- A)4. 27:55 mp4 Docket Number UE-220565; Avista Corporation; Less than Statutory Notice to revise electric Tariff WN U-28, Schedule 92, adding an Automatic Hardship Grant which mimics the criteria of the existing Emergency Share offering. The current one-time grant, not to exceed \$350 per customer, will be automatically administered to households with arrears greater than 60 days, a balance greater than \$100, and who have not received the Company's energy assistance programs in the 2021-2022 program year. The new grant does not have a rate impact. Tariff Revision

Appearances: Molly Brewer, staff; Yocki Zakai, The Energy Project; Shay Bauman, Public Counsel;

Disposition: Commissioner Rendahl moved to issue an order approving Avista's modification to its Low-Income Rate Assistance Program (LIRAP) and allowing the revisions to Schedules 92 and 192 filed by Avista on July 27, 2022, in Dockets UE-220565 and UG-220566 to become effective with less than statutory notice, on August 11, 2022. Chairman Danner seconded the motion. The motion carried (2:0)

- A)5. 27:55 mp4 Docket Number UG-220566; Avista Corporation; Less than Statutory Notice to revise gas Tariff WN U-29, Schedule 192, adding an Automatic Hardship Grant which mimics the criteria of the existing Emergency Share offering. The current one-time grant, not to exceed \$350 per customer, will be automatically administered to households with arrears greater than 60 days, a balance greater than \$100, and who have not received the Company's energy assistance programs in the 2021-2022 program year. The new grant does not have a rate impact. Tariff Revision

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**TRANSPORTATION: No Transportation items for this agenda.**

**OTHER: No Other items for this agenda.**

**RECESSED: No Recessed items for this agenda.**

The meeting adjourned at 10:04 a.m.

Attested by 

Amanda Maxwell, Executive Director