

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

OF OREGON

UG 186

In the Matter of)
) REQUEST FOR PAYMENT OF
) THE CITIZENS' UTILITY BOARD
 AVISTA CORPORATION, DBA) OF OREGON
 AVISTA UTILITIES Request for a)
 General Rate Revision.)
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Pursuant to Section 7.3 of the Intervenor Funding Agreement (Agreement), which was adopted in Order No. 07-564, the Citizens' Utility Board submits this final request for payment of \$13,550 of eligible expenses in docket UG 186 from the Avista Issues Fund. CUB is automatically precertified under Section 5.2 of the Agreement.

On August 18, 2009, CUB submitted a proposed budget of \$29, 252, assuming a fully litigated case, including testimony, briefs, a hearing, and oral argument. On August 20, 2009, in Order No. # 09-321, the Commission approved CUB's budget.

Under Section 7.3 of the Agreement, each Issue Fund Grand Request for Payment must:

- (a) *Itemize the expenses, payees and hourly rates for amounts to be reimbursed;*
 - (b) *Demonstrate that the expenses are reasonable and are directly attributable to issues and positions pursued on behalf of a particular customer class and consistent with the intervenor's proposed budget;*
 - (c) *Provide information sufficient to show that the intervenor has complied with any condition or requirement of the Issue Fund Grant, including, but not limited to, documentation sufficient to show that the intervenor has satisfied the matching fund requirement (i) set forth in Section 6.5 above or (ii) as the Commission may establish as a reasonable condition on Issue Fund Grants, whichever applies; and*
 - (d) *Specify whether the request for payment is for a progress payment or final payment in full and indicate whether any approved budget amount may be released back to the applicable Issue Fund because the intervenor does not intend to request payment for the full approved budget amount.*
- (a) Attachment A contains a summary of CUB's expenses in this case. Attachment B

provides a list of CUB activities by date and Intervenor Funding Task Category, as well as CUB's mailing and travel expenses. Attachment C breaks out each CUB staff member's time by Intervenor Funding Task Category. Attachment D contains our consultant's invoices.

- (b) The expenses incurred are reasonable and directly attributable to the issues and positions CUB addressed in UG 186 on behalf of residential customers. In support of this assertion, we supply Attachments A, B, C, and D, which can be compared to CUB's Issue Fund Budget in this case.
- (c) That CUB has satisfied the matching fund requirement is demonstrated in Attachment A, the summary of CUB's expenses. Order No. # 09-321 did not include any additional conditions beyond those anticipated in the Agreement.
- (d) This is a final payment request, and any approved budget amount may be released back to the Avista Issue Fund.
- (d) This is a progress payment request, and CUB foresees incurring additional expenses in this case.

In this filing, CUB requests the final payment of our costs in UG 186 amounting to \$13,550. See Attachment A, CUB Expense Summary. The attached documents should allow the Commission to track the time spent on the elements of the case, and we believe that this filing meets the requirements of the Commission.

Respectfully submitted,
November 20, 2009



Executive Director
Citizens' Utility Board of Oregon

Enc. Attachments A, B, C, and D

cc. Kelly Norwood

CUB Expense Summary - UG 186

CUB Internal Expenses	Rate	Hours	Cost
<i>Staff</i>			
Bob Jenks, Executive Director	\$115	22.00	\$2,530.00
Catriona McCracken, Attorney	\$150	17.58	\$2,637.00
Gordon Feighner, Utility Analyst	\$75	27.02	\$2,026.50
SA Anders, Business and Projects Mgr	\$40	3.65	\$146.00
 <i>Other Expenses</i>			
Printing & Mailing			\$4.95
Travel			\$65.40
 CUB Consultant Expenses			
CUB Share of Consultant			\$9,527.50
 In-House Resources			
20% of Eligible Expenses			(\$3,387)
 Total			 \$13,550

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Attachment B

610 SW Broadway, Ste 308

Portland, OR 97205

503-227-1984

Invoice

Bill To
UG 186 Avista Rate Case

Invoice #	Date
61	11/20/2009

Item	Serviced	Description	Quantity	Rate	Amount
Hearings & Workshops	7/22/2009	Prehearing conference and calendar updates.	1.00000	150.00	150.00
Procedural Matters	7/24/2009	Prepared protective order signatory page and prepared mailing.	0.66667	150.00	100.00
Case Preparation	7/28/2009		2.18333	40.00	87.33
Case Preparation	7/28/2009		0.81667	40.00	32.67
Discovery	7/28/2009		4.40000	75.00	330.00
Case Preparation	7/28/2009	Began review of filing.	2.13333	150.00	320.00
Discovery	7/30/2009		0.65000	40.00	26.00
Procedural Matters	8/4/2009	Review of Affidavit of Deborah M. Simock.	0.75000	150.00	112.50
Procedural Matters	8/5/2009	Review of draft joint motion to consolidate. Email to Jason Jones and Chad Stokes re Joint Motoin to Consolidate.	0.68333	150.00	102.50
Settlement	9/21/2009	settlement conference	8.50000	115.00	977.50
Settlement Reimb Group	9/22/2009		0.75000	115.00	86.25
	7/29/2009	UG 171 Settlement Salem		31.20	31.20
	9/1/2009	UG 186 Postage		4.95	4.95
	9/1/2009	UG 186 Workshop		28.20	28.20
	9/1/2009	UG 186 Workshop		6.00	6.00
	9/9/2009	Consulting on UG 186, split with ICNU		2,777.50	2,777.50
	10/23/2009	UE 186 Avista Rate Case		6,750.00	6,750.00
		Total Reimbursable Expenses			9,597.85
Discovery	8/12/2009		2.18333	75.00	163.75
Hearings & Workshops	8/26/2009		9.00000	75.00	675.00
Discovery	8/27/2009		1.86667	75.00	140.00
Communication	9/2/2009	Receipt and review of proposed schedule revision from Staff. Multiple emails trying to resolve scheduling issues.	1.00000	150.00	150.00
Case Preparation	9/4/2009	Telephone call from Ellen Blumenthal.	0.33333	150.00	50.00
Discovery	9/11/2009		1.16667	75.00	87.50
Procedural Matters	9/17/2009	Telephone conference with Ellen Blumenthal Review of documents from Ellen Blumenthal. Telephone conference with Ellen Blumenthal and Bob Jenks.	0.33333	150.00	50.00
Settlement	9/18/2009	Review of settlement proposals.	0.11667	150.00	17.50
Settlement	9/21/2009	Settlement Conference at PUC in Salem.	8.50000	75.00	637.50
Settlement	9/22/2009	Phone settlement conference.	1.00000	75.00	75.00
Settlement	9/22/2009	Settlement Conference call.	0.85000	150.00	127.50
Settlement	9/25/2009		0.65000	75.00	48.75
Settlement	9/25/2009	Receipt and review of emails re settlement documents. Email to parties re same.	0.28333	150.00	42.50
			Total		

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Item	Serviced	Description	Quantity	Rate	Amount
Settlement	9/28/2009	Review of settlement documents. Edited paragraph for insertion into testimony.	2.46667	150.00	370.00
Settlement	9/29/2009	Review of settlement documents.	0.00000	150.00	0.00
Settlement	9/30/2009	Review of latest settlement draft testimony.	0.45000	150.00	67.50
Settlement	10/27/2009	Review of Commission Order. Email to Bob Jenks re same.	0.51667	150.00	77.50
Discovery	8/11/2009	discussed request for info	0.25000	75.00	18.75
Discovery	8/11/2009	discussed request for info	0.25000	115.00	28.75
Discovery	8/11/2009	filed request for infomation	1.00000	150.00	150.00
Procedural Matters	8/19/2009	intervenor fundng budget	3.00000	115.00	345.00
Hearings & Workshops	8/26/2009	workshops in salem	4.00000	115.00	460.00
Case Preparation	9/2/2009	read supplimental test	1.00000	115.00	115.00
Settlement	9/11/2009	discussed settlement	1.00000	150.00	150.00
Settlement	9/11/2009	discussed settlement	1.00000	115.00	115.00
Settlement	9/18/2009	read staff's settlement proposal	0.75000	115.00	86.25
Settlement	9/22/2009	settlement	1.00000	150.00	150.00
Settlement	9/23/2009	stip and test.	0.75000	115.00	86.25
Settlement	9/28/2009	stipulation and testimony	1.00000	115.00	115.00
Settlement	9/28/2009	stipulation and testimony	1.00000	150.00	150.00
Settlement	9/29/2009	stipulation testimony	1.00000	115.00	115.00
Settlement	9/30/2009	testimony	1.00000	150.00	150.00
			Total		\$16,937.60

Citizens' Utility Board of Oregon
Time by Job Detail
All Transactions

<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Billing Status</u>	<u>Duration</u>
UG 186 Avista Rate Case			
Bob Issue Work:Case Preparation			
9/2/2009	Robert T. Jen...	Billed	1.00
Total Bob Issue Work:Case Preparation			1.00
Bob Issue Work:Discovery			
8/11/2009	Robert T. Jen...	Billed	0.25
Total Bob Issue Work:Discovery			0.25
Bob Issue Work:Hearings & Workshops			
8/26/2009	Robert T. Jen...	Billed	4.00
Total Bob Issue Work:Hearings & Workshops			4.00
Bob Issue Work:Procedural Matters			
8/19/2009	Robert T. Jen...	Billed	3.00
Total Bob Issue Work:Procedural Matters			3.00
Bob Issue Work:Settlement			
9/11/2009	Robert T. Jen...	Billed	1.00
9/18/2009	Robert T. Jen...	Billed	0.75
9/21/2009	Robert T. Jen...	Billed	8.50
9/22/2009	Robert T. Jen...	Billed	0.75
9/23/2009	Robert T. Jen...	Billed	0.75
9/28/2009	Robert T. Jen...	Billed	1.00
9/29/2009	Robert T. Jen...	Billed	1.00
Total Bob Issue Work:Settlement			13.75
Catriona Issue Work:Case Preparation			
7/28/2009	Catriona McC...	Billed	2.13
9/4/2009	Gillian C McC...	Billed	0.33
Total Catriona Issue Work:Case Preparation			2.46
Catriona Issue Work:Communication			
9/2/2009	Gillian C McC...	Billed	1.00
Total Catriona Issue Work:Communication			1.00
Catriona Issue Work:Discovery			
8/11/2009	Gillian C McC...	Unbilled	1.00
Total Catriona Issue Work:Discovery			1.00
Catriona Issue Work:Hearings & Workshops			
7/22/2009	Catriona McC...	Billed	1.00
Total Catriona Issue Work:Hearings & Workshops			1.00
Catriona Issue Work:Procedural Matters			
7/24/2009	Catriona McC...	Billed	0.67
8/4/2009	Catriona McC...	Billed	0.75
8/5/2009	Catriona McC...	Billed	0.68
9/17/2009	Gillian C McC...	Billed	0.33
Total Catriona Issue Work:Procedural Matters			2.43
Catriona Issue Work:Settlement			
9/11/2009	Gillian C McC...	Unbilled	1.00
9/18/2009	Gillian C McC...	Billed	0.12
9/22/2009	Gillian C McC...	Billed	0.85
9/22/2009	Gillian C McC...	Unbilled	1.00
9/25/2009	Gillian C McC...	Billed	0.28
9/28/2009	Gillian C McC...	Billed	2.47
9/28/2009	Gillian C McC...	Unbilled	1.00
9/29/2009	Gillian C McC...	Billed	0.00
9/30/2009	Gillian C McC...	Billed	0.45
9/30/2009	Gillian C McC...	Unbilled	1.00
10/27/2009	Gillian C McC...	Billed	0.52
Total Catriona Issue Work:Settlement			8.69

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All Transactions

<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Billing Status</u>	<u>Duration</u>
Gordon Issue Work:Discovery			
7/28/2009	Gordon R Fei...	Billed	4.40
8/11/2009	Gordon R Fei...	Unbilled	0.25
8/12/2009	Gordon R Fei...	Billed	2.18
8/27/2009	Gordon R Fei...	Billed	1.87
9/11/2009	Gordon R Fei...	Billed	1.17
Total Gordon Issue Work:Discovery			9.87
Gordon Issue Work:Hearings & Workshops			
8/26/2009	Gordon R Fei...	Billed	9.00
Total Gordon Issue Work:Hearings & Workshops			9.00
Gordon Issue Work:Settlement			
9/21/2009	Gordon R Fei...	Billed	6.50
9/22/2009	Gordon R Fei...	Billed	1.00
9/25/2009	Gordon R Fei...	Billed	0.65
Total Gordon Issue Work:Settlement			8.15
Intern Issue Work:Case Preparation			
7/28/2009	Sakae S Sakai	Unbilled	2.18
7/28/2009	Sakae S Sakai	Unbilled	0.82
Total Intern Issue Work:Case Preparation			3.00
Intern Issue Work:Discovery			
7/30/2009	Sakae S Sakai	Unbilled	0.65
Total Intern Issue Work:Discovery			0.65
Total UG 186 Avista Rate Case			69.25
TOTAL			69.25

ATTACHMENT D

55172-001	%	Invoice 75337
	Allocation	\$ 5,555.00
Citizens' Utility Board of Oregon	50.00%	\$ 2,777.50
Northwest Industrial Gas User	50.00%	\$ 2,777.50
Total	100.00%	\$ 5,555.00



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NORTHWEST INDUSTRIAL GAS USER

INVOICE NO: 0075337
DATE: Sep 09, 2009
CLIENT CODE: 0055172
PROJECT NO: 0001

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Hours Amount

UE 186 AVISTA RATE CASE

08/18/09	Ellen S. Blumenthal	2.00	360.00
	Review and analysis of Avista's filing; prepare data requests		
08/20/09	Ellen S. Blumenthal	3.75	675.00
	Review documents		
08/21/09	Ellen S. Blumenthal	4.00	720.00
	Review documents		
08/24/09	Ellen S. Blumenthal	5.25	945.00
	Review documents		
08/25/09	Charles M. Shellabarger	0.50	65.00
	Avista gas regulatory forms		
08/25/09	Ellen S. Blumenthal	6.50	1,170.00
	Review documents		
08/26/09	Ellen S. Blumenthal	6.00	1,080.00
	Attend workshop by phone		
08/27/09	Ellen S. Blumenthal	3.00	540.00
	Phone call with Avista personnel re: data requests; review documents		
TOTAL FEES:			\$5,555.00

TOTAL AMOUNT DUE:

\$5,555.00

PAYMENT DUE WITHIN 30 DAYS OF RECEIPT
PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO GDS ASSOCIATES, INC.



55172-001	%	Invoice 76115
	Allocation	\$ 13,500.00
Citizens' Utility Board of Oregon	50.00%	\$ 6,750.00
Northwest Industrial Gas User	50.00%	\$ 6,750.00
Total	100.00%	\$ 13,500.00



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UE 186 AVISTA RATE CASE

		Hours	Amount
08/30/09	Ellen S. Blumenthal Document review and analysis	3.75	675.00
09:01:09	Ellen S. Blumenthal Document review	3.50	630.00
09:02:09	Ellen S. Blumenthal Document review and analysis	6.25	1,125.00
09:03:09	Ellen S. Blumenthal Document review and analysis	8.00	1,440.00
09:04:09	Ellen S. Blumenthal Document review and analysis	6.00	1,080.00
09:09:09	Ellen S. Blumenthal Review and analysis of company provided information.	6.25	1,125.00
09:10:09	Ellen S. Blumenthal Review and analysis of company provided information.	8.00	1,440.00
09:11:09	Ellen S. Blumenthal Document review and analysis: conference call	8.75	1,575.00
09:14:09	Ellen S. Blumenthal Document review and analysis	2.50	450.00
09:15:09	Ellen S. Blumenthal Review and analysis of documents	6.00	1,080.00
09:16:09	Ellen S. Blumenthal	5.50	990.00
09:17:09	Ellen S. Blumenthal Review staff settlement document; prepare CUB/NWIGA settlement document	4.50	810.00
09:21:09	Ellen S. Blumenthal Settlement meeting	6.00	1,080.00

TOTAL FEES:

\$13,500.00



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UG 186 – CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that, on this 23rd day of November, 2009, I served the foregoing **REQUEST FOR FINAL PAYMENT OF THE CITIZENS' UTILITY BOARD OF OREGON** upon the Public Utility Commission and the Participating Public Utility from whose account payment is to be made, by email and by U.S. mail, postage prepaid.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bob Jenks", written in a cursive style.

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