

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF OREGON**

UG 366

In the Matter of)	
)	
AVISTA UTILITIES,)	CUB AMENDED REQUEST FOR
)	ISSUE FUND GRANT & AMENDED
REQUEST FOR A GENERAL RATE)	BUDGET
REVISION)	

Pursuant to Section 6.7 of the Fourth Amended and Restated Intervenor Funding Agreement (Agreement), which was adopted in Order No. 18-017, the Oregon Citizens’ Utility Board (“CUB”), submits this Amendment of Proposed Budget in docket UG 366 from the 2018 Avista issue fund. CUB is automatically pre-certified under Section 5.2 of the Agreement.

On April 19, 2019, CUB requested a total grant of \$30,400 from the 2018 Avista Issue fund. The Commission approved CUB’s proposed budget on April 19, 2019 in Order No. 19-141.

CUB is now proposing to amend its budget in docket UG 366. CUB estimates total eligible expenses to be \$46,750.00 before the 20% match, and is seeking a total issue fund grant of \$37,400. CUB seeks the additional \$7,000 grant from the 2019 Avista issue fund.

Section 6.7 of the Agreement states:

Amendment of Proposed Budget: *At any time during the proceeding, an*

intervenor who received Commission approval for an Issue Fund Grant may file to amend its budget and request additional funding due to unforeseen changes in the scope or complexity of issues, positions taken by other parties, changes in the schedule of the case, or other good cause.

There is good cause to support approving CUB's proposed budget amendment.

The scope, complexity of issues, and changes in the schedule of the case have resulted in the need for additional funding that was not originally anticipated when CUB submitted its initial proposed budget, and docket activity is ongoing. Therefore, CUB is seeking to increase its approved budget to \$37,400. CUB's amended budget accompanies this document as Attachment A.

Dated this 26th day of July 2019

Respectfully submitted,



Bob Jenks
Executive Director
Oregon Citizens' Utility Board

Attachment A

CUB Amended Budget -- UG 366

CUB Internal Expenses	Rate	Hours	Cost
<i>Staff</i>			
Bob Jenks, Executive Director	\$250	34.00	\$8,500.00
Michael Goetz, Staff Attorney	\$225	60.00	\$13,500.00
Essie Bender, Office Manager	\$100	7.00	\$700.00
Will Gehrke, Economist	\$200	80.00	\$16,000.00
Sudeshna Pal, Economist	\$175	20.00	\$3,500.00
Jack Watson, Law Clerk	\$130	35.00	\$4,550.00
<i>Other Expenses</i>			
Travel			
SubTotal			\$46,750.00
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In-House Resources			
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20% of Eligible Expenses			\$9,350
Total			\$37,400