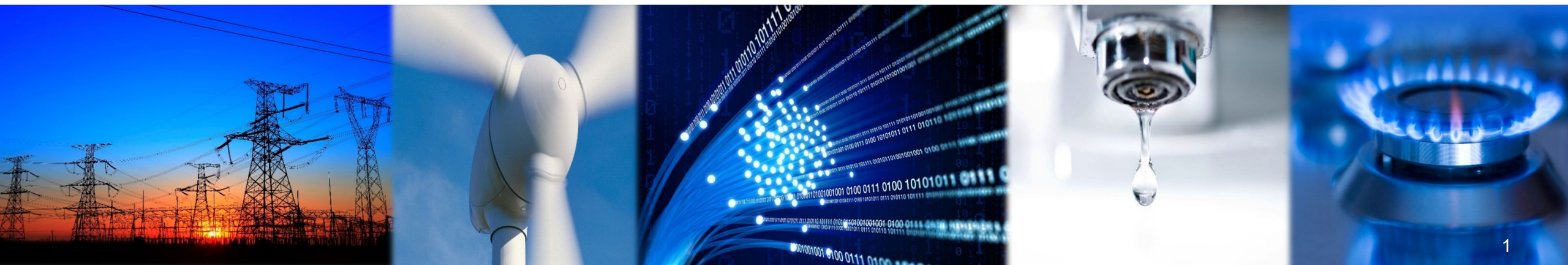




# UG 519 Avista General Rate Case Public Comment Hearing

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# Avista proposed residential rate changes



Residential Single Family	Avg. Usage Therms/Mo.	Basic Charge \$/Mo	Volumetric Rate \$/Therm	Avg. Bill \$/Mo*
Current	47	\$11.25	\$0.76603	\$64.30
Proposed	47	\$13.00	\$0.82176	\$68.67
<b>Difference</b>		<b>+\$1.75</b>	<b>+7.3%</b>	<b>+\$4.37</b>

\*Includes cost of gas and adjustment schedules

Residential Multi-Family	Avg. Usage Therms/Mo.	Basic Charge \$/Mo	Volumetric Rate \$/Therm	Avg. Bill \$/Mo*
Current	47	\$9.75	\$0.76603	\$62.80
Proposed	47	\$10.50	\$0.81748	\$65.97
<b>Difference</b>		<b>\$0.75</b>	<b>+6.7%</b>	<b>+\$3.17</b>



# Avista proposed rate impact

*Scenario	Total Revenues	Total Increase (\$)	Total Increase (%)	Residential Revenues	Residential Increase (\$)	Residential Increase (%)
Proposed Base Rates	\$92,525,345	\$7,822,000	9.23%	\$60,430,453	\$4,959,237	8.21%
Proposed Base Rates + Commodity	\$118,505,327	\$7,822,000	6.6%	\$74,007,892	\$4,959,237	6.7%

\*Distinguishes Cost to Serve vs. Cost to Serve Plus the Pass Thru Cost of Natural Gas





# Cost Drivers

Category	Revenue Change (\$ 000s)	% of Change
Operating Expenses (inclusive of Taxes)	\$ 2,531	32%
New Plant Investments at Current ROR	\$ 2,953	38%
Rate of Return Increase	\$ 2,338	30%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 7,822</b>	<b>100%</b>



# About PUC Staff

## Staff Working on Rate Cases:

- Accountants
- Financial Analysts
- Economists
- Engineers
- Policy Analysts
- Other Experts

Staff pairs with Attorney from DOJ



# PUC Staff Role



## Staff :

- Analyze Avista Filing
- Request more information where needed
- Submit & defend written testimony
- Review testimony from all parties & assess for reasonableness
- Develop settlement positions

## Attorneys working with Staff

- Aid in settlement discussions
- Cross examine witnesses
- Submit legal briefs
- Make oral arguments



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**Docket No:** UG 519 **Docket Name:** AVISTA REQUEST FOR A GENERAL RATE REVISION

\* This docket is a contested case. See the [Internal Operating Guidelines](#) and [OAR 860-001](#)  
**Subject Company:** [AVISTA UTILITIES](#)  
In the Matter of AVISTA CORPORATION dba AVISTA UTILITIES, Request for a General Rate Revision. Filed by David Meyer. Advice No. 24-09-G Tariff Sheets are Located at Avista/902, Miller. Copies served to Gas Industry List. See amended Exhibit 701...

**Filing Date:** **Advice No:** 24-09-G  
**Effective:** 12/1/2024 **Expiration:** 8/31/2025 **Status:** SUSPENDED  
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