

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF OREGON**

UG 433

In the Matter of

AVISTA CORPORATION, dba AVISTA
UTILITIES,

Request for a General Rate Revision.

RULING

**DISPOSITION: PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE ESTABLISHED; PREHEARING
CONFERENCE TO BE CANCELED**

On December 9, 2021, counsel for Staff of the Public Utility Commission of Oregon sent an electronic mail message to me. The electronic message indicated that all parties to this docket conferred and determined that the procedural schedule is the only issue that needs to be addressed. Rather than holding a prehearing conference, Staff represented that all parties requested a ruling adopting a proposed schedule. On January 4, 2022, Staff sent another email representing that all parties request adoption of a newly proposed schedule.

Treating the electronic messages as a joint motion among all of the parties, I adopt the following procedural schedule (past dates are included for convenience):

EVENT	DATE
Deadline to file proposed Budgets for Intervenor Funding	January 7, 2022
Settlement Conference ¹	February 2, 2022
Staff and Intervenors file Opening Testimony	March 3, 2022
Settlement Conference	March 10, 2022
Workshop with Commissioners (if necessary)	March 18, 2022
Avista files Reply Testimony	March 28, 2022
Settlement Conference	April 1, 2022
Staff and Intervenors file Rebuttal Testimony	April 15, 2022
Avista files Surrebuttal Testimony	May 11, 2022
All parties file Cross-Examination Statements and Hearing Exhibits	May 16, 2022
Hearing	May 19, 2022, 9:30 a.m.
Avista files Opening Brief	June 17, 2022
Staff and Intervenors file Reply Briefs	July 1, 2022
Avista files Final Brief	July 15, 2022

¹ Settlement conference dates are included in the schedule for the parties' convenience. The parties do not need Commission approval to reschedule workshops or settlement conferences.

Oral Argument (tentative)	July 28, 2022, 9:30 a.m.
Target date for Commission Decision	August 10, 2022
Effective date	August 22, 2022

Beginning March 28, 2022, the parties agreed to a seven business day data response turnaround.

Parties are reminded that attorneys not licensed in Oregon wanting to appear before the Commission in this docket must file an application for admission to appear *pro hac vice*.²

Dated this 7th day of January 2022, at Salem, Oregon.



Traci A. G. Kirkpatrick
Administrative Law Judge

Attachment: Notice of Contested Case Rights and Procedures

² See UTCR 3.170, OAR 860-001-0320.