

**PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON  
INTEROFFICE CORRESPONDENCE**

**DATE:** August 28, 2025  
**TO:** Scott Gibbens  
**FROM:** Curtis Dlouhy, Jean Falconer, and David Abraham  
**SUBJECT:** Verification of Avista Utilities, (Avista, or Company) Tariff Rates Effective September 1, 2025, informed by:  
Compliance Filing Advice No. 25-09-G, and work papers thereto.

In Order No. 25-198, entered May 23, 2025, in Docket No. UG 519 (Order) the Commission adopted an all-parties and all-issues stipulation.

On August 15, 2025, Avista provided draft work papers for rate changes in this docket.

As a result of the Order, Avista's revenue requirement is set to increase by \$2.528 million or 2.0 percent on a billed revenue basis for all customer types combined. The single family customer class will experience an increase in billed revenue of 2.0 percent while the multi-family residential customer class will experience a slight decrease in billed revenue of 0.7 percent due to the reallocation of distribution revenues after the creation of the multi-family schedule. This filing will affect about 108,000 Oregon utility customers.

When broken down, this 2.0 percent overall increase in revenue requirement is the result of \$4.195 million increase in distribution revenues that is offset with a three-year amortization of Schedule 488 tax credits that were both approved through the Company's general rate case in UG 519.

Drivers for the rate increase include capital investments in a host of general infrastructure and reliability investments as well as an update to Operations and Maintenance Expenses.

Staff reviewed the Advice filing and finds it complies with the Commission's Order No. 25-198 following the Supplemental filings made by Avista. The checks and analytic tasks required to affirm the accuracy of rates were extensive and included:

- Confirm the revenue target is correctly calculated in the Company's revenue requirement work papers based on the Commission directed amounts found within the Order.
- Confirm that the load forecast uses appropriate values.
- Confirm from the Rate Spread and Design spreadsheet and work papers that the proposed tariff prices are calculated to produce revenues in accordance with the Order.
- Confirm that the Company's formula inputs for pricing are consistent and accurate.
- Verify accurate implementation of all changes, including tariff language changes, authorized by the Commission.

- Confirm that the tariff sheets are properly updated with the rates present in the Rate Spread and Design worksheet, advice number, revision number, date, and other appropriate language changes.

Staff verified that the specific impacts authorized by the Order will be achieved by the changed tariff pages as filed.

**Attestations:** Avista Vice President of Energy Delivery, Joshua D. DiLuciano attested that the level of plant put into service as of July 31, 2025, exceeds the amount included in the \$4.195 increase to base revenues.

Staff utilized the provided work papers to verify the accuracy of the tariffs. After Staff's review, Staff found only a single trivial error in the title sheet of the compliance filing, where the Advice Number is listed as 24-09-G instead of 25-09-G. All tariff pages are correctly listed as Advice No. 25-09-G, so Staff did not feel that there was a need to correct the title sheet.

Staff confirmed that the Company's new tariff sheets will produce rates that conform to the Commission's Order. Therefore, Staff recommends that an acknowledgement letter be sent and that rates go into effect September 1, 2025.