

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF OREGON**

UG 519

In the Matter of)	
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AVISTA CORPORATION, dba AVISTA UTILITIES,)	CUB AMENDED REQUEST FOR ISSUE FUND GRANT & AMENDED BUDGET
)	
<u>Request for a General Rate Revision.</u>)	

Pursuant to Section 6.7 of the Fifth Amended and Restated Intervenor Funding Agreement (Agreement), approved by the Oregon Public Utility Commission (Commission) in Order No. 22-506, the Oregon Citizens’ Utility Board (“CUB”), submits this Amendment of Proposed Budget in docket UG 519 from the 2024 Avista issue fund. CUB is automatically pre-certified under Section 5.2 of the Agreement

On December 17, 2024, CUB requested a total grant of \$45,000 from the 2024 Avista Issue fund. The Commission approved CUB’s proposed budget on December 27, 2024, in Order No. 24-465.

CUB is now proposing to amend its budget in docket UG 519. CUB estimates total eligible expenses to be \$107,000 before the 20% match and is seeking a total issue fund grant of \$85,000. CUB seeks the additional \$40,000 grant from the 2024 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 \$85,000. CUB's amended budget accompanies this document as Attachment A.

Dated this 2nd day of May, 2025.

Respectfully submitted,

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

Bob Jenks
Executive Director
Oregon Citizens' Utility Board