

Avista Equity Advisory Group Interest Form

Introduction:

Washington's Clean Energy Transformation Act (CETA) passed by legislature in 2019 requires utilities to ensure an equitable distribution of energy benefits and a reduction of burdens on vulnerable populations and highly impacted communities.

There are many societal issues that run parallel with the desire to convert to a clean energy future. Based on your unique experience, please review the information below to indicate your interest in advising Avista in these matters.

Advisory Group Member Qualifications

- Knowledge, skills, and experience (lived and professional) to effectively represent your respective community/population/group.
- Capacity and willingness to serve as the conduit or intermediary between the Equity Advisory Group (EAG) and the entity you represent.
- Availability to attend regularly scheduled meetings

The following information collected will be used to understand your interest and capacity to participate in the Equity Advisory Group as well as to track the experiences and communities/sectors that are represented.

Please submit completed forms by email to ana.matthews@avistacorp.com or by mail to:

Avista
MSC-68, attention: Ana Matthews
1411 E. Mission, Spokane WA 99202

Member Information

Full Name: _____ Date: _____
Last First M.I.

Address: _____
Street Address Apartment/Unit #

_____ *City State ZIP Code*

Phone: _____ Email Address: _____

Preferred method for communication (e.g. email, phone, etc.):

Interest

In what way would you like to engage with the EAG?

- Actively participate as an EAG member
- Receive information/updates on the activities of the EAG
- Both actively participate and receive information/updates
- Other: _____

What are your interests in joining Avista's Equity Advisory Group?

Are you interested in joining Avista's Energy Equity Advisory Group as an: (check all that apply and provide)?

- Individual community member, leader, or worker who is interested in Washington State's Clean Energy Transformation law.

Please describe: _____

- Partner from an organization, business, or union that serves communities or workers.

Please describe: _____

- Partner from an industry, sector, or governmental agency.

Please describe: _____

- Other with description: _____

How will participating in the Group benefit your community/sector/organization?

Experience

Please provide information about your background or experience that may inform ways to make improvements to the following areas: (check all that apply)

- Employment
Please describe: _____
- Housing
Please describe: _____
- Transportation
Please describe: _____
- Food insecurity

- Please describe: _____
- Health care
Please describe: _____
 - Language barriers
Please describe: _____
 - Other:
Description: _____

Please identify community affiliations in which you have personal and/or professional experience. We understand there may be intersecting personal identities and/or professions. Select all that apply.

- Community member, advocate and representative for people in congregate settings: people experiencing homelessness, people who are detained/incarcerated, etc.
- Community member, leader representing immigrant and refugee communities
- Community member, leader representing individuals with disabilities
- Community member, leader representing rural and frontier communities
- Community member, leader representing the LGBTQIA+ community
- Community member, leader representing the African American/Black communities
- Community member, leader representing the Asian American communities
- Community member, leader representing the Latinx communities
- Community member, leader representing the Native Hawaiian and other Pacific Islander communities
- Community member, leader representing American Indian/Alaska Native communities
Please note tribe: _____
- Community based organization, please note which organization: _____
- Community-led groups or coalition, please note group: _____
- Faith based community
- Local Health Jurisdiction
- Academic partner, please note which institution: _____
- Government Agency, please indicate:

- Other _____

Compensation

We value and honor your time, and compensation may be available to you or your organization to cover the cost of your participation at Equity Advisory Group meetings.

Would you like to be compensated for your time?

- Yes
- No
- Other comment(s): _____

Participation

Starting October 2021, the Equity Advisory Group will meet monthly with two meeting options for the second Wednesday and Friday of each month. Wednesday meetings are in the late afternoon from 4:30 to 6:00 pm and the Friday meetings are in the morning from 7:30 to 9:00 am. The group will not meet in December. The schedule for the next few months is:

	Wednesdays, 4:30 to 6:00 pm	Fridays, 7:30 to 9:00 am
2021	October 13	October 15
	November 10	November 12
2022	January 12	January 14
	February 9	February 18
	March 9	March 11
	April 13	April 15

Are you able to attend the meetings?

- Yes, I can attend either the morning or afternoon meetings.
- No. I am not able to attend but I would like to receive company updates and materials.
- Other: _____

To safeguard individual and public health and safety the Equity Advisory Group activity will occur virtually (e.g. through Microsoft Teams and Zoom) until further notice.

How can we best support you with virtual participation? Please check all that apply:

- Language interpretation
- Disability accommodations
- Technology assistance/accessibility (i.e. virtual platform training, phone conference, video)
- Other

Please describe: _____

A requirement of the Washington Utilities and Transportation is that a roster of Equity Advisory Group members is made public. To meet this requirement a roster will be posted at myavista.com/ceta that will include each member’s name, organizational affiliation, and role. Please consider this requirement in determining your willingness to participate in the group.

Other Comments

Please use this space to provide any additional comments you would like to share here:

Signature: _____ Date: _____