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Avista Corporation, doing business as, “Avista Utilities” (Avista or the Company) hereby electronically submits for filing with the Oregon Public Utility Commission (Commission) its 2026 natural gas cost adjustment filing (including cover letter, as filed summary for purchased gas cost adjustment, tariff sheets, Notice of Use of General Protective Order and newspaper advertisement draft)¹.

The Company requests that the tariff sheets below become effective on October 31, 2026

Twenty-Second Revision Tariff Sheet 461	canceling	Supplemental Twenty-First Tariff Sheet 461
Twentieth Revision Tariff Sheet 461A	canceling	Supplemental Nineteenth Revision Tariff Sheet 461A
Seventeenth Revision Tariff Sheet 462	canceling	Sixteenth Revision Tariff Sheet 462
Eleventh Revision Sheet 475	canceling	Tenth Revision Sheet 475
Third Revision Sheet 475B	canceling	Second Revision Sheet 475B
Seventeenth Revision Sheet 476	canceling	Sixteenth Revision Sheet 476
Sixth Revision Sheet 482	canceling	Fifth Revision Sheet 482
Eighth Revision Sheet 493	canceling	Seventh Revision Sheet 493
First Revision Sheet 463	canceling	Original Sheet 463
Ninth Revision Sheet 469	canceling	Eighth Revision Sheet 469

¹ The Company has added supporting workpapers for each tariff revision (confidential and non-confidential versions, if applicable) to the huddle workspace for Docket No. UG 529.

These tariff adjustments are being submitted pursuant to various OAR’s and Commission Orders that are referenced in the respective tariff sheet section of this cover letter as outlined in the table of contents. Each section also includes Avista contact information should there be questions on tariff revisions.

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Combined Revenue and Bill Impact:

After combining the impact of the revisions made to all tariff sheets included in this filing with an effective date of October 31, 2026, the Company is requesting an increase in overall retail revenue of approximately \$10.6 million, or 8.3%. If approved, a residential customer using an average of 45 therms a month could expect their bill to increase by \$6.49, or 9.5%, for a revised monthly bill of \$75.13 effective October 31, 2026.

The following table shows the net impact to the Company’s customers, by rate schedule, inclusive of all of the filings made by the Company that have an October 31, 2026 effective date:

<u>Rate Schedule</u>	<u>Proposed Rate Change</u>
Schedule 410/411	9.4%
Schedule 420	6.5%
Schedule 424	7.8%
Schedule 440	6.2%
Schedule 444	7.6%
Schedule 456	<u>2.7%</u>
Total	8.3%

The Company will provide notice to customers of these filings and the resulting rate changes via a newspaper advertisement both now and following the updated PGA (Sch 461) filing in mid-September.

Three Percent Test:

Pursuant to ORS 757.259 and OAR 860-027-0300, the overall annual average rate impact of the amortizations authorized under the statutes may not exceed three percent of the natural gas utility's gross revenues for the proceeding calendar year, unless the Commission finds that allowing a higher amortization rate is reasonable under the circumstances. Total gross revenue for calendar year 2025 was \$149,686,097 and total Prior Period Gas Cost Deferral True-up amortizations is a rebate of \$10,682,646. The resulting annual average rate impact from the PGA amortization is (7.1)%.² Including the effect of the Company's other amortization rates filed coincident with the initial July PGA filing, the resulting annual average rate impact from the Company's qualifying amortization is (1.1)%. Please see "PGA - Attachment C" of the Company's PGA workpapers for a detailed calculation, and applicable amortization schedules, for the 3% test.

Purchased Gas Costs and Amortization Adjustment (Schedules 461 and 462)

This filing includes the Company's Purchased Gas Cost Adjustment ("PGA"), pursuant to Order Nos. 08-504, 11-196 14-238, and 25-308 in Docket No. UM 1286, to change rates within Avista's natural gas service schedules to reflect the projected cost of natural gas pursuant to tariff Schedule 461, "Purchased Gas Cost Adjustment Provision". Schedule 461 sets forth the estimated purchased natural gas costs for the forthcoming year (November 2026 through October 2027). The difference between the actual cost of natural gas purchased and the amount collected from customers (i.e., the amortization rate pertaining to the PGA balancing account) are passed through to customers through Schedule 462, "Gas Cost Rate Adjustment".

Included with this filing is the information in response to the Natural Gas Portfolio Development Guidelines and the PGA Filing Guidelines, as approved by the Commission in Order No. 09-248 and as amended in Order No. 10-197, Order No. 11-196, Order No. 14-238, and Order No. 25-308.

The PGA filing reflects an overall annual revenue increase of approximately \$1.4 million, or 1.1% effective October 31, 2026. Pursuant to OAR 860-022-0025 and OAR 860-022-0030, the total number of customers affected by the changes to tariffs 461 and 462, the annual revenue before and after the impact of the proposed rate changes, and the average monthly use and resulting bills under existing and proposed rates are as follows:

² See Attachment C included in the Purchase Gas Adjustment workpapers.

<u>Rate Schedule</u>	<u>Average Number of Customers</u>
Schedule 410/411	95,680
Schedule 420	11,982
Schedule 424	93
Schedule 440	47
Schedule 444	2

Sch No	Description	Present Revenues	Proposed Revenues	Revenue Incr (Decr)	Percent Incr (Decr)	Use (Therms)	Present Monthly Cost	Proposed Monthly Cost	Change to Monthly Cost	% Change Monthly Cost
410/411	Residential	\$ 78,529,915	\$ 79,030,012	\$ 500,097	0.6%	45	\$ 68.64	\$ 69.31	\$ 0.67	1.0%
420	General	\$ 37,753,654	\$ 38,036,436	\$ 282,782	0.7%	202	\$ 262.17	\$ 265.20	\$ 3.03	1.2%
424	Large General	\$ 2,831,244	\$ 2,882,185	\$ 50,941	1.8%	4,696	\$ 2,536.92	\$ 2,607.41	\$ 70.49	2.8%
440	Interruptible	\$ 6,822,134	\$ 6,844,358	\$ 22,224	0.3%	44,275	\$ 11,971.07	\$ 12,369.69	\$ 398.62	3.3%
444	Seasonal	\$ 98,030	\$ 99,730	\$ 1,700	1.7%	9,205	\$ 5,159.49	\$ 5,297.66	\$ 138.17	2.7%

Table Nos. 1 through 3 below summarize the changes in the 1) forward looking commodity costs included in Schedule 461, 2) the demand costs included in Schedule 461, and 3) the combined changes to Schedule 461 (both commodity and demand):

Table No. 1 - Schedule 461 Commodity

<u>Rate Schedule</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Proposed</u>	<u>Change</u>
410, 411, 420, 424, 444	\$ 0.26490	\$ 0.23155	\$ (0.03335)
440	\$ 0.26490	\$ 0.23155	\$ (0.03335)

Table No. 2 - Schedule 461 Demand

<u>Rate Schedule</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Proposed</u>	<u>Change</u>
410, 411, 420, 424, 444	\$ 0.18101	\$ 0.17700	\$ (0.00401)
440	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

Table No. 3 - Schedule 461 Commodity + Demand

<u>Rate Schedule</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Proposed</u>	<u>Change</u>
410, 411, 420, 424, 444	\$ 0.44591	\$ 0.40855	\$ (0.03736)
440	\$ 0.26490	\$ 0.23155	\$ (0.03335)

Commodity Costs (Schedule 461)

As shown in the Table No. 1 above, the proposed weighted average cost of gas (“WACOG”) is \$0.23155 per therm, a decrease of \$0.03335 per therm from the present WACOG of \$0.26490 per therm included in customer’s rates.

Natural gas commodity prices this past year, in the Pacific Northwest, were generally lower as winter loads came in lighter than forecast as temperatures remained elevated, which ultimately reduced customer demand. As a result, the region exited winter with healthy storage supplies that have carried over to this spring. The region’s largest supply points, Sumas and AECO, have continued to trade at a discount to Henry Hub, the national natural gas benchmark. Supply has been plentiful to meet demand for the region and pipeline flows have been uninhibited for much of the typical maintenance season. A fundamental change to the region is the addition of LNG Canada. This liquefied natural gas (LNG) facility located near the coast of British Columbia is a

new source of demand for the region. With offtake nearing 2 Bcf/day, LNG Canada has contributed to an elevated price floor for daily pricing at AECO. As such, pricing has not dipped as low as we have seen in spring and summer periods in past years and could signal a material change in regional market dynamics.

Looking toward the upcoming winter of 2026-2027, national fundamentals look balanced as production has remained stable, LNG offtake has increased as expected, and storage is currently at levels slightly above the 5-year rolling average. Conflicts in the Middle East have created some volatility in gas markets, but that has largely been relegated to the international LNG markets and not national prices, as LNG output is already maximized within the United States. Regionally, storage is above the 5-year rolling range for the West, and with pipeline flows having been generally uninhibited, we have seen a convergence of winter strip (November – March) pricing in the Pacific Northwest. Currently the region is on a healthy, well-supplied path towards the winter season ahead.

Approximately 30% of estimated annual load requirements for the PGA year (November 2026 through October 2027) have been hedged at a fixed price in accordance with the Company's Procurement Plan as further discussed in the Company's Natural Gas Portfolio Development Guidelines. Through June 30, 2026, the Company's average executed hedge costs is \$2.62 per dekatherm (\$0.26167 per therm).

The Company has approximately 920,000 dekatherms of underground storage capacity at Jackson Prairie available for its Oregon customers. Total underground storage capacity represents approximately 6% of annual load requirements (12.9% of load requirements during the Nov.-Mar. withdrawal period). As of June 30, 2026, the current storage balance is approximately 735,047 dekatherms and costs for all storage volumes is \$1.15 per dekatherm (\$0.11460 per therm). The Company will inject additional volumes into storage throughout the Summer which will be included in the Company's PGA update filing in September.

As required by Commission Order No. 14-238, the Company used a 60-day (ending June 30, 2026) historical average of forward prices weighted by supply basin to determine the estimated cost associated with index/spot volumes. These index/spot volumes represent approximately 64% of estimated annual volumes and the annual weighted average price for these volumes is \$2.12 per dekatherm (\$0.21231 per therm).

The information contained in the Company's responses to "Natural Gas Portfolio Development Guidelines" describes the Company's Natural Gas Procurement Plan ("Procurement Plan"). The Company's Procurement Plan uses a diversified approach to procure natural gas for the upcoming year. While the Procurement Plan generally incorporates a structured approach for the hedging portion of the portfolio, the Company exercises flexibility and discretion in all areas of the plan based on changes in the wholesale market. The Company meets with Commission Staff quarterly³ to discuss the state of the wholesale market and the status of the Company's Procurement Plan, among other things. Should there be a deviation from the Procurement Plan due to material changes

³ Alliance of Western Energy Consumers (AWEC) and Citizens' Utility Board (CUB) are invited too, and generally attend, each quarterly meeting.

in market dynamics etc., the Company documents and communicates any such changes with the Company's Risk Management Committee and provides updates to Commission Staff.

Demand Costs (Schedule 461)

Demand costs reflect the cost of pipeline transportation to the Company's system, as well as fixed costs associated with natural gas storage. As shown in Table No. 2 above, demand costs are expected to decrease from \$0.18101 per therm to \$0.17700 per therm, for a proposed decrease of \$0.00401 per therm. This change is related to a variety of factors including Canadian exchange rate, updated demand forecast, and pipeline contracts and rates in effect for the PGA year.

Amortization of Deferral Accounts (Schedule 462)

Table Nos. 4 through 6 summarize the changes in the commodity and demand amortization rates included in Schedule 462, and the combined change to Schedule 462 (both commodity and demand):

Table No. 4 - Schedule 462 Commodity Amortization

<u>Rate Schedule</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Proposed</u>	<u>Change</u>
410, 411, 420, 424, 444	\$ (0.16741)	\$ (0.12788)	\$ 0.03953
440	\$ (0.16741)	\$ (0.12788)	\$ 0.03953

Table No. 5 - Schedule 462 Demand Amortization

<u>Rate Schedule</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Proposed</u>	<u>Change</u>
410, 411, 420, 424, 444	\$ 0.02792	\$ 0.04076	\$ 0.01284
440	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

Table No. 6 - Schedule 462 Commodity + Demand Amortizations

<u>Rate Schedule</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Proposed</u>	<u>Change</u>
410, 411, 420, 424, 444	\$ (0.13949)	\$ (0.08712)	\$ 0.05237
440	\$ (0.16741)	\$ (0.12788)	\$ 0.03953

Related to the commodity portion of the amortization rate, net commodity costs for the current PGA year to date were less than the commodity WACOG included in Schedule 461 resulting in a net rebate amortization rate of \$0.12788 per therm, an increase of \$0.03953 compared to the present rate in effect. As previously discussed in the Demand Costs (Schedule 461) section above, demand costs are impacted by a variety of factors including the Canadian exchange rate, demand volumes, and changes in pipeline contracts and rates. A combination of these factors has resulted in a surcharge amortization rate of \$0.04076 per therm. Combining the commodity and demand amortization balances results in an overall increase in the amortization rates included in Schedule 462 as shown in Table No. 6.

Please direct any questions regarding this filing to revise Tariff Sheet 461 and 462 to Marcus Garbarino at (509) 495-2567 or marcus.garbarino@avistacorp.com.

Decoupling (Schedule 475)

This filing includes proposed modifications to Avista’s Tariff schedule 475, “Decoupling – Oregon”. The Company is requesting an increase in overall retail revenues of approximately \$2.4 million, or 1.8%, effective October 31, 2026.

The current amortization rates and the proposed changes are as follows:

	Current	Proposed	Updated
Rate	Amortization	Rate	Amortization
<u>Schedule</u>	<u>Rates</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>Rate</u>
410/411	\$0.04459	\$0.04579	\$0.09038
420	\$0.02431	\$0.00017	\$0.02448
424/425	\$0.02431	\$0.00017	\$0.02448
439/440	\$0.02431	\$0.00017	\$0.02448
444	\$0.02431	\$0.00017	\$0.02448

On October 31, 2024, the Company filed its “Application for Reauthorization to Defer Expenses or Revenues” related to the Company’s natural gas decoupling mechanism for calendar year 2025. Avista made that filing under ORS 757.259 and OAR 860-027-0300(4). This filing is in compliance with ORS 757.210 which authorizes deferred utility expenses or revenues to be allowed (amortized) in rates to the extent authorized by the Commission in a proceeding to change rates. All the deferrals included in this filing occurred with appropriate application and Commission authorization, as rate orders or under approved tariffs.

This filing is the “Natural Gas Decoupling Rate Adjustment”, filed in compliance with docket UM 1753. The Commission approved a natural gas decoupling mechanism for Avista beginning in 2016⁴. Order No. 24-435 reauthorized the mechanism deferrals for 2025. This filing reflects the deferral balance for the year (January 1, 2025, through December 31, 2025), with that deferral being amortized over the period November 1, 2026 – October 31, 2027.

The purpose of the natural gas decoupling mechanism is to adjust the Company’s Commission-authorized revenues from therm sales, such that the Company’s revenues will be recognized based on the number of customers served under the applicable natural gas service schedules. The decoupling mechanism allows the Company to: 1) defer the difference between actual decoupling-related revenue received from customers through volumetric rates, and the decoupling-related revenue approved for recovery in the Company’s last general rate case on a per customer basis; and 2) file a tariff to surcharge or rebate, by rate group, the total deferred amount accumulated in the deferred revenue accounts for the prior January through December time period.

⁴ The decoupling mechanism was initially approved in Order Nos. 16-076 and 16-109 for General Rate Revision Docket No. UG 288 and Authorization to Defer Expenses or Revenues Related to the Natural Gas Decoupling Mechanism Docket No. UM 1753. Subsequent reauthorizations to defer under Docket No. UM 1753 have been approved by Order Nos. 16-489 (2017), 17-450 (2018), 18-474 (2019), 20-017 (2020), 21-358 (2021), 22-414 (2022), 23-391 (2023), 24-367 (2024) and as Consent Agenda Item #1 in the October 28, 2025, public meeting.

Residential Group Rate Determination

The Company recorded \$4,331,255 in the surcharge direction in deferred revenue for the natural gas residential customer group in 2025. The proposed rate of 9.038 cents per therm is designed to recover \$4,650,083 from the Company's residential natural gas customers served under rate Schedules 410 and 411. The components of the Company's requested surcharge are summarized below:

2025 Deferred Revenue	\$4,331,255
Add Prior Year Residual/Carryover Bal.	\$ 2,353,258
Add Interest through 10/31/2026	\$350,808
Add Revenue Related Expense Adj.	\$394,110
Total Requested Recovery	\$7,429,430
Customer Surcharge Revenue	\$4,650,083
Carryover Deferred Revenue	\$2,779,347

Decoupling - Attachment A, pages 1 and 2 show the derivation of the proposed rate to recover revenue of \$4,650,083 based on projected sales volumes for Schedule 410 and 411 customers during the amortization period (November 2026 through October 2027). As identified on the Second Revision Sheet 475B under Step 6 of "Calculation of Monthly Decoupling Deferral", interest on the deferred balance accrues at the current Modified Blended Treasury Rate as updated annually.⁵ If the proposed surcharge is approved by the Commission, the 2025 deferral balance, plus interest through October will be transferred into a regulatory asset balancing account to combine with any outstanding residual balance approved for recovery in the prior year decoupling filing. The balance in the account will be reduced each month by the surcharge to customers under the tariff. Consistent with other amortizations, interest will accrue on the amortization balance at the Modified Blended Treasury Rate.

Non-Residential Group Rate Determination

The Company recorded \$964,228 in the surcharge direction in deferred revenue for the natural gas Non-Residential Group in 2025. The proposed rate of 2.448 cents per therm is designed to recover \$1,456,057 from the Company's commercial and industrial customers served under rate Schedules 420, 424, 425, 439, 440 and 444. The components of the Company's requested surcharge are summarized below:

⁵ The changes approved in the 2nd Revision Sheet 475B effective with UG-433 rates on August 22, 2022 apply to the deferred revenues after that date. Therefore 2023 deferred revenue balances accrued interest at the 2024 Modified Blended Treasury Rate beginning January 2024.

2025 Deferred Revenue	\$964,228
Add Prior Year Residual/Carryover Bal.	\$ 304,141
Add Interest through 10/31/2026	\$61,666
Add Revenue Related Expense Adj.	\$126,022
Total Requested Recovery	\$1,456,057
Customer Surcharge Revenue	\$1,456,057
Carryover Deferred Revenue	\$0

Decoupling - Attachment A, pages 3 and 4 show the derivation of the proposed rate to recover the revenue of \$1,456,057, based on projected sales volumes for Schedules 420, 424, 440 and 444 during the amortization period (November 2026 through October 2027). Interest on the deferred balance accrues at the Modified Blended Treasury Rate. If the proposed surcharge is approved by the Commission, the 2025 deferral balance, plus interest through October and any outstanding residual balance approved in the prior year decoupling filing, will be transferred into a regulatory asset balancing account. The balance in the account will be reduced each month by the surcharge to customers under the tariff. Consistent with other amortizations, interest will accrue on the amortization balance at the Modified Blended Treasury Rate.

Support showing the monthly calculation of the 2025 deferral balances for both the Residential and Non-Residential Groups is provided as “Decoupling - Attachment B”. These calculations were also provided to the Commission in quarterly reports.

Weather Related Deferral

As part of the Decoupling Mechanism approved by the Commission, the Company is required to track how much of the decoupling deferral is related to weather and how much is related to conservation (non-weather). As shown on page 1 of “Decoupling - Attachment B”, of the total decoupling deferral for residential customers of \$4,331,255, weather accounted for \$1,143,522 and \$3,187,733 is attributed to conservation (non-weather). As shown on page 2 of “Decoupling - Attachment B”, of the \$964,228 total decoupling deferral for non-residential customers, \$536,397 is attributed to weather and \$427,831 is attributed to conservation (non-weather).

Existing Customers and New Customers

The decoupling mechanism approved by the Commission in Docket No. UG-288 excludes new customers. The language in the Settlement Stipulation⁶ states that new customers, defined as new meters hooked up to Avista’s distribution system, will not be included in the decoupling mechanism unless those new meters were included in the test year forecast of revenues. Specifically, the number of customers decoupled each month cannot exceed the monthly forecasted number of customers, by rate group, included in the rate year forecasted customers. The Company uses the new customer hookup report to determine the average decoupled revenue per new customer. The average decoupled revenue per customer is then multiplied by the number of actual customers that exceed the monthly forecasted level of customers. That amount would then be deducted from the monthly actual decoupled revenue prior to calculating the decoupling deferral entry.

⁶ Order No. 16-076, Appendix A, page 7.

Avista tracked the usage of new customers since January 1, 2024 for the period of January – December 2025 as compared with existing customers⁷ for Docket No. UG-461. The Decoupling Mechanism Quarterly Reports provide the specific usage characteristic details of new customers versus existing customers. Avista will continue to track the usage of new customers over the term of the Decoupling Mechanism.

Pursuant to OAR 860-022-0025 and OAR 860-022-0030, the total number of customers affected by this filing, the annual revenue before and after the impact of the rate change, and the average monthly use and resulting bills under existing and proposed rates are as follows:

<u>Rate Schedule</u>	<u>Number of Customers</u>
Schedule 410/411	95,680
Schedule 420	11,982
Schedule 424/425	93
Schedule 439/440	47
Schedule 444	2

		Decoupling	Present	Present	Proposed	Proposed	Proposed	Incremental	
Type of	Schedule	Billing	Decoupling	Decoupling	Decoupling	Decoupling	Decoupling	Rate	Proposed
Service	Number	Determinants	Rate	Revenue	Increase	Revenue	Rate	change	Change
Residential	410	51,450,355	\$ 0.04459	\$ 2,294,171	\$ 2,355,912	\$ 4,650,083	\$ 0.09038	\$ 0.04579	3.00%
General Service	420	29,092,859	\$ 0.02431	\$ 707,247	\$ 4,946	\$ 712,193	\$ 0.02448	\$ 0.00017	0.01%
Large General Service	424	5,240,805	\$ 0.02431	\$ 127,404	\$ 891	\$ 128,295	\$ 0.02448	\$ 0.00017	0.03%
Interruptible Service	440	24,970,907	\$ 0.02431	\$ 607,043	\$ 4,245	\$ 611,288	\$ 0.02448	\$ 0.00017	0.06%
Seasonal Service	444	174,894	\$ 0.02431	\$ 4,252	\$ 30	\$ 4,281	\$ 0.02448	\$ 0.00017	0.03%
Total				\$ 3,740,117	\$ 2,366,023	\$ 6,106,140			

Please direct any questions regarding this filing to revise Tariff Sheet 475 to Joel Anderson at (509) 495-2811 or joel.anderson@avistacorp.com.

Intervenor Funding (Schedule 476)

This filing includes proposed modifications to Avista’s Tariff schedule 476, “Intervenor Funding Grants – Oregon” pursuant to Docket UM 1356, ORS 757.210 and ORS 757.259(5).

Tariff Sheet 476 updates the Company’s Intervenor Funding amortization rates currently in effect pursuant to Section 7.9 of the Fifth Amended and Restated Intervenor Funding Agreement previously adopted by the Public Utility Commission of Oregon (“Commission”) in Order No. 22-506 and Article 7 of the Environmental Justice Communities Funding Agreement previously adopted by the Commission of Oregon in Order No. 23-033.

⁷ “Existing customers” were in service prior to 2024. “New customers” consist of all new hookups in 2024 and after.

The Company is requesting an increase in overall retail revenues of approximately \$11 thousand, or 0.01%, effective on October 31, 2026. The current amortization rates and the proposed changes, both inclusive of the gross revenue factor, are as follows:

	Current Tariff	Proposed Rate	Proposed Tariff
<u>Schedule</u>	<u>Rates</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>Rate</u>
410/411	\$0.00301	\$0.00063	\$0.00364
439/440	\$0.00096	\$(0.00042)	\$0.00054
456	\$0.00096	\$(0.00042)	\$0.00054

In Order No. 24-372 in Docket No. UM 1356(18), the Commission approved Avista's request for reauthorization to defer costs related to Intervenor Funding grants for the period November 2025 through October 2026. Avista made that filing under ORS 757.259 and OAR 860-027-0300(4). This filing is in compliance with ORS 757.210 and ORS 757.259, which authorizes deferred utility expenses or revenues to be allowed (amortized) in rates to the extent authorized by the Commission in a proceeding to change rates. All of the deferrals included in this filing occurred with appropriate application by Commission authorization, as rate orders or under approved tariffs.

Pursuant to ORS 757.259(5-7) and OAR 860-027-0300(9), the overall annual average rate impact of the amortizations authorized under the statutes may not exceed three percent of the natural gas utility's gross revenues for the preceding calendar year, unless the Commission finds that allowing a higher amortization rate is reasonable under the circumstances. However, per ORS 757.259(4), Intervenor Funding is excluded from the three percent test.

Pursuant to OAR 860-022-0025 and OAR 860-022-0030, the total number of customers affected by this filing, the annual revenue before and after the impact of the rate change, and the average monthly use and resulting bills under existing and proposed rates are as follows:

<u>Rate Schedule</u>						<u>Number of Customers</u>				
Schedule 410/411						95,680				
Schedule 439						0				
Schedule 440						47				
Schedule 456						29				
Sch No	Description	Present Revenues	Proposed Revenues	Revenue Incr (Decr)	Percent Incr (Decr)	Monthly Use (Therms)	Present Monthly Cost	Proposed Monthly Cost	Monthly Change	Proposed Change to Monthly Cost
410/411	Residential	\$78,529,915	\$78,562,328	32,413	0.04%	45	\$ 68.64	\$ 68.67	\$ 0.03	0.04%
439/440	Interruptible	\$ 6,822,134	\$ 6,811,645	(10,489)	-0.15%	44,275	\$ 11,971.07	\$ 11,952.48	\$ (18.59)	-0.16%
456	Int. Transportation	\$ 2,401,048	\$ 2,390,094	(10,954)	-0.46%	74,945	\$200,087.33	\$199,174.50	\$ (912.83)	-0.46%

Please direct any questions regarding this filing to revise Tariff Sheet 476 to Athena Allen at (509) 495-8325 or athena.allen@avistacorp.com.

Regulatory Fees (Schedule 482)

This filing includes proposed modifications to Avista’s Tariff schedule 482, “Regulatory Fee Amortization – Oregon” pursuant to Docket UM 2053, ORS 757.259 and ORS 860-027-0300.

The Commission most recently approved the Company to defer the difference between the regulatory Commission Fees rate embedded in base rates and the actual regulatory fee assessed in Docket No. UM 2053(5). On October 31, 2025, the Commission approved the Company’s request to amortize the increase in regulatory fees paid in 2025 in Advice No. 25-05-G. The Company began amortizing the balance effective October 31, 2025 and is forecasting a residual surcharge balance of approximately \$4,000. With this filing, the Company proposes to return to customers the difference between the 0.450 percent embedded in customers’ rates approved in UG-519, and the current rate of 0.430 percent, approved in Docket No. UM 1012, plus the forecasted rebate balance. The proposed tariff amortization rate is designed to return approximately \$1,000, compared to approximately \$30,000 collected under current rates, a decrease of \$31,000 or 0.02 percent, inclusive of the gross revenue factor and interest. The current and proposed rates by the individual rate schedules are summarized below:

<u>Rate Schedule</u>	<u>Current Amortization Rate</u>	<u>Proposed Amortization Rate</u>
410 - 444	\$0.00026	(\$0.00001)
456	\$0.00003	(\$0.00001)

Pursuant to OAR 860-022-0025 and OAR 860-022-0030, the total number of customers affected by this filing, the annual revenue before and after the impact of the rate change, and the average monthly use and resulting bills under existing and proposed rates are as follows:

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		Schedule 444		2						
		Schedule 456		29						
Sch No	Description	Present Revenues	Proposed Revenues	Revenue Incr (Decr)	Percent Incr (Decr)	Avg. Monthly Use (Therms)	Present Monthly Cost	Proposed Monthly Cost	Monthly Change	Proposed Change to Monthly Cost
410/411	Residential	\$ 78,529,917	\$ 78,516,026	\$ (13,891)	-0.02%	45	\$ 68.64	\$ 68.63	\$ (0.01)	-0.01%
420	General	\$ 37,753,653	\$ 37,745,797	\$ (7,856)	-0.02%	202	\$ 262.17	\$ 262.12	\$ (0.05)	-0.02%
424	Large General	\$ 2,831,244	\$ 2,829,830	\$ (1,414)	-0.05%	4,696	\$ 2,536.92	\$ 2,535.66	\$ (1.26)	-0.05%
440	Interruptible	\$ 6,822,134	\$ 6,815,392	\$ (6,742)	-0.10%	0	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
444	Seasonal	\$ 98,030	\$ 97,983	\$ (47)	-0.05%	9,205	\$ 5,159.49	\$ 5,157.01	\$ (2.48)	-0.05%
447	Special Contracts	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%	0	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
456	Int. Transportation	\$ 2,817,427	\$ 2,816,486	\$ (941)	-0.03%	74,945	\$ 8,096.31	\$ 8,093.31	\$ (3.00)	-0.04%
Total		\$ 128,852,405	\$ 128,821,514	\$ (30,891)	-0.02%					

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Low-Income Rate Assistance Programs (Schedule 493)

This filing includes proposed modifications to Avista’s Tariff Schedule 493, “Residential Low-Income Rate Assistance Program (LIRAP) – Oregon”. Pursuant to ORS 757.205, ORS 757.259, OAR 860-022-0025 and OAR 860-027-0300. The primary purpose of the requested tariff revision is to update the rates contained within the Company’s LIRAP tariff to match future Schedule 493 revenues with current and forecasted expenditures needed to support Avista’s LIRAP. This “true-up” will reconcile the previous periods’ actual expenditures and collections to ensure the appropriate rate is set for future cost recovery.

Through this filing, the Company is requesting an increase in overall retail revenues of approximately \$1.3 million, or 1%, effective October 31, 2026.

Avista’s LIRAP was originally approved by the Commission in 2002. As a result of the passage of Oregon House Bill 2475 (HB 2475, or the Energy Affordability Act),⁸ in 2022, the Company transitioned its formerly grant-based LIRAP into a jointly-administered income-based discount model (“My Energy Discount”, or MED), with complementary arrearage assistance options (Arrearage Management Plan (AMP) and Arrearage Forgiveness), to better serve the specific energy burden of the households it serves.⁹ With this change, Avista deferred all costs associated with offering differential rates to qualifying customers pursuant to HB 2475 (Docket No. UM 2232). In 2023, the Company then requested to amortize these costs via Avista’s Schedule 493 – which provides the revenues to support the program through a natural gas surcharge – so that all costs borne by LIRAP¹⁰ go through the Company’s Schedule 493 LIRAP tariff (rather than the prior bifurcation of some expenses flowing through tariff and some being deferred). Schedule 493, which was historically applicable to, and collected from, Schedule 410/411 residential customers, was also modified to spread cost allocation to all residential, commercial, and industrial class sales customers (Schedules 410, 411, 420, 424, 425, 439, 440, and 444). These revisions were approved by the Commission in Order No. 23-394, with subsequent amortization of all balances deferred in UM 2232.

The Company’s current Schedule 493 LIRAP deferral, most recently authorized on December 9, 2025 in Docket No. UM 1978, records the funds collected through Schedule 493, netted with the

⁸ HB 2475 (2021 Regular Session) amended ORS 756.610, ORS 757.230, and ORS 757.072 and enacted new provisions to address equity in rate setting and participating in Commission proceedings, effective January 1, 2022. OR Laws 2021 Ch. 90.

⁹ See Docket No. ADV 1410/ Advice No. 22-03-G.

¹⁰ With the exception of existing [not incremental] Avista labor expenses associated with the administration of LIRAP, which remain within the Company’s Operations and Maintenance (O&M) costs recovered within the Company’s base rates. Any changes in the allocation of these costs would first require a removal of these costs from base rates, via a general rate case proceeding, and a subsequent proposal to instead run these costs through the LIRAP tariff rider.

costs of LIRAP, in a balancing account, with any adjustments needed requested in July of each year along with the Company's annual Purchased Gas Adjustment (PGA) filings. Interest accrues on this balancing account each month based on the average monthly fund balance at the Modified Blended Treasury (MBT) rate.

As of June 30, 2026, the net deferral for LIRAP is a surcharge balance of \$843,802. To support the sustained growth of LIRAP as it continues to reach an unprecedented number of customers with valuable energy assistance,¹¹ the Company forecasts that approximately \$3.2 million will be needed over the next couple of program years (2026-2027 and 2027-2028, respectively) in order to meet the needs of Avista's Oregon service territory. This amount is subject to change based on customer participation as well as the throughput of various federal assistance programs such as the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP). The rates included in the requested tariff revision are designed to balance the Schedule 493 revenues with the anticipated LIRAP expenditures, thereby reducing the net deferral balance to \$0, or as close to \$0 as possible, by the end of October 2027.

Pursuant to OAR 860-022-0025 and OAR 860-022-0030, the total number of customers affected by the filing, and the annual revenue before and after the impact of the proposed rate change, are as follows:

<u>Rate Schedule</u>	<u>Present Revenue</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>Proposed Revenue</u>	<u>% Change</u>	<u>Customers</u>
Schedule 410/411	\$ 78,529,915	\$ 857,392	\$ 79,387,307	1.1%	95,680
Schedule 420	\$ 37,753,654	\$ 388,242	\$ 38,141,896	1.0%	11,982
Schedule 424/425	\$ 2,831,244	\$ 12,922	\$ 2,844,166	0.5%	93
Schedule 439/440	\$ 6,822,134	\$ 25,043	\$ 6,847,177	0.4%	47
Schedule 444	\$ 98,030	\$ 424	\$ 98,454	0.4%	2
Schedule 456	\$ 2,401,048	\$ -	\$ 2,401,048	0.0%	29
	\$ 128,436,025	\$ 1,284,024	\$ 129,720,049	1.0%	

Therefore, Avista respectfully requests that the tariff changes proposed for Schedule 493, inclusive of the requested rate adjustment for the Company's LIRAP and the additional housekeeping modifications, be effective for service rendered on and after October 31, 2026.

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¹¹ As of June 30, 2026, the energy assistance saturation rate in Avista's Oregon service territory is 76%.

Climate Protection Plan (Schedule 463)

This filing includes modifications to Avista's schedule 463, "Climate Protection Program Adjustment Filing".

On November 22, 2024, the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality (ODEQ) adopted CPP rules that took effect on January 1, 2025 (OAR 340-273-0010 – 9000). Because Avista must comply with the adopted CPP rules, it sought approval to defer CPP compliance costs, which may include energy efficiency services for transport customers offered through the Energy Trust of Oregon (ETO), introduction of renewable and alternative low carbon fuels, or purchasing Community Climate Investments (CCI), as well as any additional costs the Company may incur to comply with OAR 340-273. On February 19, 2025, the Commission approved of Avista's deferral application by way of Order No. 25-065 in docket UM 2361. On December 16, 2025, the Company filed for reauthorization of its CPP deferral, which is still pending Commission approval.

To date, Avista's CPP compliance costs have consisted only of costs to offer a transport energy efficiency program through the Energy Trust of Oregon (ETO). ETO first began offering a transport energy efficiency program in 2023 under the first version of the CPP. In 2024, after the CPP rules were repealed, ETO continued to offer a transport energy efficiency program, as agreed to by Avista, OPUC Staff, ETO, and the Alliance of Western Energy Consumers (AWEC). The 2023 program expenses were included in Avista's most recent general rate case, Docket UG 519, and recovered from all customers. The 2024 program expenses were recovered through the Company's Public Purpose tariff rider from only transport customers.

For 2025-2026, the ETO program budget for the transport energy efficiency program is \$638k annually, with potential reserves of up to \$160k if needed. Avista makes fixed monthly payments to ETO based on the \$638k budget. The fixed payments are then deferred with interest to be recovered in the future. The Company began recovering these costs through schedule 463 on October 31, 2025.

As noted above, Schedule 463 went into effect on October 31, 2025, and was designed to recover the 2025 costs of the transport energy efficiency program. Because the program budget for 2026 remained the same as 2025, the Company did not anticipate needing to file to adjust the rates of Schedule 463 in 2026. However, due to the warm winter weather conditions, actual loads were less than forecast, thus the Company did not fully recover the 2025 costs as planned. As such, the purpose of this rate adjustment is to increase the tariff rates to collect the under recovery of 2025 ETO expenses, as well as recover the 2026 ETO expenses.

If approved, a residential customer using an average of 45 therms a month could expect their bill to increase by \$0.06 or 0.1%, for a revised monthly bill of \$68.70 effective October 31, 2026.

Pursuant to OAR 860-022-0025 and OAR 860-022-0030, the total number of customers affected by the filing, and the annual revenue before and after the impact of the proposed rate change, are

as follows:

Rate Schedule	Present Revenue	Change	Proposed Revenue	% Change	Customers
410/411	\$ 78,529,915	\$ 74,207	\$ 78,604,122	0.1%	95,680
420	\$ 37,753,654	\$ 41,961	\$ 37,795,615	0.1%	11,982
424/425	\$ 2,831,244	\$ 7,559	\$ 2,838,803	0.3%	93
439/440	\$ 6,822,134	\$ 25,713	\$ 6,847,847	0.4%	47
444	\$ 98,030	\$ 252	\$ 98,282	0.3%	2
456	\$ 2,401,048	\$ 33,334	\$ 2,434,382	1.4%	29
	\$ 128,436,025	\$ 183,026	\$ 128,619,051	0.1%	

Avista respectfully requests that the tariff changes proposed for Schedule 463 be effective for service rendered on and after October 31, 2026.

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Public Purpose Funding (Schedule 469)

This filing includes proposed modifications to Avista’s Tariff schedule 469, “Public Purpose Charge”. Pursuant to ORS 757.205 and OAR 860-022-0025. The purpose of these requested tariff revisions is to update the rates contained within the Company’s Schedule 469, “Public Purpose Funding Surcharge” (Public Purpose Charge or PPC), to match future Schedule 469 revenues with current and forecasted expenditures needed to support Avista’s energy efficiency programs. Specifically, these funds support the delivery of energy efficiency programs administered by the Energy Trust of Oregon (ETO), the Avista Oregon Low-Income Energy Efficiency (AOLIEE) Program, and Company energy efficiency program marketing and administrative costs. This “true-up” will reconcile the previous periods’ actual expenditures and collections to ensure the appropriate rate is set for future cost recovery.

Avista’s PPC collects funds through the Company’s natural gas tariff Schedule 469 to support the delivery of energy efficiency programs administered by the ETO and the Company’s AOLIEE Program. Over a 12-month period, the Company records the funds collected through Schedule 469, netted with the costs of the energy efficiency programs, in a balancing account; interest does not accrue on this account. Any unspent funds or uncollected costs are held over to the following year, with any adjustments needed requested annually. The deferral associated with this accounting treatment is further detailed within Docket No. UM 1979 and was most recently reauthorized by the Commission on April 16, 2025, through Order No. 25-143.

The primary driver of the requested rate increase for Avista’s PPC is to true-up the funding necessary to support ETO’s 2026-2030 multi-year budget, as mentioned within the Company’s

2025 rate adjustment request.¹² While the prior adjustment noted a forecasted overcollection that would help to offset the increase needed from ETO, actual spend over the past year has resulted in forecasts now reflecting an under-collected PPC balance of approximately \$2.7 million by end of October 2026 based on the current collection rate. While the current rate is set to collect approximately \$9.9 million, the upcoming program year budgets, coupled with the existing underfunding noted, result in a need to recover a total of approximately \$14.8 million through rates during the 2027 program year to meet the needs of the Company's Oregon energy efficiency programs.

Pursuant to OAR 860-022-0025 and OAR 860-022-0030, the total number of customers affected by the filing, and the annual revenue before and after the impact of the proposed rate change, are as follows:

<u>Rate Schedule</u>	<u>Number of Customers</u>				
Schedule 410/411	95,680				
Schedule 420	11,982				
Schedule 424	93				
Schedule 425	0				
Schedule 440 (Interruptible)	47				
Schedule 444	2				
Schedule 456 ¹³	29				

<u>Rate Schedule</u>	<u>Present Revenue</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>Proposed Revenue</u>	<u>% Change</u>
Schedule 410/411	\$ 78,529,916	\$ 3,326,650	\$ 81,856,566	4.2%
Schedule 420	\$ 37,753,653	\$ 1,590,787	\$ 39,344,440	4.2%
Schedule 424/425	\$ 2,831,245	\$ 120,427	\$ 2,951,672	4.3%
Schedule 439/440	\$ 6,822,134	\$ 210,739	\$ 7,032,873	3.1%
Schedule 444	\$ 98,030	\$ 4,140	\$ 102,170	4.2%
Schedule 456	\$ 2,399,564	\$ 31,658	\$ 2,431,222	1.3%
	\$ 128,434,542	\$ 5,284,401	\$ 133,718,943	4.1%

If approved, a residential customer using an average of 45 therms a month could expect their bill to increase by \$2.91, or 4 percent, for a revised monthly bill of \$71.55 effective October 31, 2026.

Avista respectfully requests that the tariff changes proposed for Schedule 469 be approved for service rendered on and after October 31, 2026.

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¹² See Docket No. ADV 1810/Advice No. 25-11-G, pgs. 3-4.

¹³ Included in this rate adjustment is the recovery of a residual balance of \$30,640 applicable to only Schedule 456 customers, which results in a small rate increase for these customers. In last year's PPC filing, the Company reduced the rate applicable to Schedule 456 customers to \$0.00000 as the costs of the 2024 energy efficiency program offered by the ETO for transportation customers was anticipated to be fully recovered. However, a small residual balance remains that must be collected from Schedule 456 customers, as proposed in this filing.

Schedule of Attachments:

Newspaper Advertisement Draft:

- Newspaper Advertisement – Attachment A

Purchased Gas Cost and Amortization (Sch 461 and Sch 462):

- PGA - **Confidential** Attachment A – Natural Gas Procurement Plan
- PGA - **Confidential** Attachment B – PGA Hedge Detail
- PGA – **Confidential** Attachment C – 2021-2026 Load Data
- PGA – **Confidential** Attachment D – Credit Policy
- PGA – Attachment E – Storage 202606
- PGA – **Confidential** Attachment F – JP-SGS-2F Contract
- PGA – **Confidential** Attachment G – JP TF2 Contract
- PGA – Attachment H – Pipeline Tariff Sheets
- PGA – Attachment I – PGA Summary Sheet
- PGA – Natural Gas Portfolio Development Guidelines
- PGA – Filing Guidelines
- PGA – **Confidential** Workpapers (*uploaded to Huddle Workspace*)

Decoupling (Sch 475):

- Decoupling – Attachment A
- Decoupling – Attachment B
- Decoupling – Workpapers (*uploaded to Huddle Workspace*)

Intervenor Funding (Sch 476):

- IV Funding – Workpapers (*uploaded to Huddle Workspace*)

Regulatory Fees (Sch 482):

- Regulatory Fees – Workpapers (*uploaded to Huddle Workspace*)

Low-Income Rate Assistance Programs (Sch 493):

- LIRAP – Workpapers (*uploaded to Huddle Workspace*)

Climate Protection Plan (Sch 463):

- CPP – Workpapers (*uploaded to Huddle Workspace*)

Public Purpose Funding (Sch 469):

- PPC – Workpapers (*uploaded to Huddle Workspace*)

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SCHEDULE 461

PURCHASED GAS COST ADJUSTMENT PROVISION – OREGON

APPLICABILITY:

This schedule applies to all schedules for natural gas sales service within the entire territory served by the Company in the State of Oregon. The definitions and provisions described herein shall establish the natural gas costs for Purchased Gas Adjustment (PGA) deferral purposes on a monthly basis.

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this provision is to allow the Company, on established Adjustment Dates, to adjust rate schedules for changes in the cost of gas purchased in accordance with the rate adjustment provisions described herein.

RATE:

- (a) The rates of gas Schedules 410, 411, 420, 424 and 444 are to be increased by \$0.40855 per therm in all blocks of these rate schedules. (R)
- (b) The rate of gas Schedule 440 is to be increased by \$0.23155 per therm in all blocks of these rate schedules. (R)
- (c) The rates of transportation Schedule 456 are to be increased by \$0.0000 per therm in all blocks.

A. DEFINITIONS:

1. Actual Commodity Cost: The natural gas supply costs for commodity actually paid for the month, including Financial Transactions, fuel use, and distribution system lost and unaccounted for natural gas (LUGF) plus Gas Storage Facilities withdrawals, plus or minus the cost of gas associated with pipeline imbalances, plus propane costs, plus odorization charges, plus state and federal tariffs, less Commodity Off-System Sales Revenues received during the month, plus actual Variable Transportation Costs, plus commodity-related reservation charges, less all transportation demand charges embedded in commodity costs. (N)
2. Commodity Off-System Sales Revenues: Revenues received from the sale of natural gas to a party other than the Company's Oregon sales customers less costs associated with the sales transactions.
3. Variable Transportation Costs: Variable transportation costs, including pipeline volumetric charges and other variable costs related to volumes of commodity delivered to sales customers.
4. Actual Non-Commodity Cost: Actual Non-Commodity gas costs shall be equal to actual Demand Costs, less actual Capacity Release Benefits, plus or minus actual pipeline refunds or surcharges.
5. Demand Costs: Fixed monthly pipeline costs and other demand-related natural gas costs such as capacity reservation charges, plus any transportation demand charges embedded in commodity cost.

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PURCHASED GAS COST ADJUSTMENT PROVISION – OREGON

6. Capacity Release Benefits: This component includes revenues associated with pipeline capacity releases. The benefits to Customers, through the monthly PGA deferrals, shall be 100% of the capacity release revenues up to the full pipeline rate, and 80% of the capacity release revenues in excess of full pipeline rates. Capacity release revenues shall be quantified on a transaction-by-transaction basis.

7. Estimated Weighted Average Cost Of Gas (WACOG): The estimated WACOG is calculated by the following formula: (Forecasted Purchases at Adjusted Contract Prices) divided by forecasted sales.

- a. "Forecasted Purchases" means November 1 – October 31 forecasted sales, plus a percentage for "Distribution System Unaccounted for Gas."
- b. "Distribution System Unaccounted for Gas" means the 5-year average of actual unaccounted for gas, not to exceed 2%.
- c. "Adjusted Contract Prices" means contract prices that are adjusted by each associated Canadian pipeline's published (closest to August 1) fuel-in-kind and line loss amount provided for by tariff, and by each associated U.S. pipeline's tariffed rate.

The Estimated WACOG per therm is as follows:

With Gross Revenue Factor	\$0.23155	(R)
Without Gross Revenue Factor	\$0.22410	(R)

8. Estimated Non-Commodity Cost per Therm: The estimated Non-Commodity Cost per therm shall be equal to estimated Demand Costs, less estimated Capacity Release Benefits, plus or minus estimated pipeline refunds or surcharges, divided by November 1 – October 31 forecasted sales

The Estimated Non-Commodity Cost per therm is as follows:

With Gross Revenue Factor	\$0.17700	(R)
Without Gross Revenue Factor	\$0.17131	(R)

9. Forecasted Monthly Calendar Sales Volumes: Forecasted billed sales therms, adjusted for estimated unbilled therms, for Schedules 410, 411, 420, 424, 440, and 444.

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SCHEDULE 462

GAS COST RATE ADJUSTMENT – OREGON

APPLICABILITY:

This schedule applies to all schedules for natural gas sales service within the entire territory served by the Company in the State of Oregon.

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this provision is to allow the Company to pass through the differences between the actual cost of gas purchased and transported for customer usage and the amount collected from customers. These differences are accumulated in a sub-account of Account 191 for later refund or surcharge to customers.

RATE:

- (a) The rates of gas Schedules 410, 411, 420, 424 and 444 are to be decreased by \$0.08712 per therm. (I)
- (b) The rate of gas Schedule 440 is to be decreased by \$0.12788 per therm. (I)

AMORTIZATION OF ACCOUNT 191 SUB-ACCOUNT DEFERRALS:

The Account 191 sub-account deferred balances approved for surcharge or refund to customers shall include interest calculated on a monthly basis using the interest rate(s) approved by the Commission.

The surcharge or refund rate shall be adjusted annually as part of the annual Purchased Gas Adjustment (PGA) filing.

AMOUNT OF ADJUSTMENT:

The amount of adjustment to be made to customers' rates shall consist of the sum of the changes in the Embedded Commodity Cost and Non-Commodity Cost deferral accounts and the change in amortization rates of the Account 191 sub-accounts, as well as other gas cost related deferral accounts as the Commission may approve.

GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS:

This schedule is subject to the General Rules and Regulations contained in this tariff and to those prescribed by regulatory authorities. This schedule is an automatic adjustment clause (PGA) as described in ORS 757.210(1) and is subject to the customer notification requirements as described in OAR 860-022-0017.

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**SCHEDULE 475
DECOUPLING MECHANISM – NATURAL GAS**

PURPOSE:

This Schedule establishes balancing accounts and implements an annual rate adjustment mechanism that decouples or separates the recovery of the Company's Commission authorized revenues from the therm sales to customers served under the applicable natural gas service schedules.

APPLICABLE:

To Customers in the State of Oregon where the Company has natural gas service available. This schedule shall be applicable to all retail customers taking service under Schedules 410, 411, 420, 424, 425, 439, 440, and 444. This Schedule does not apply to Schedule 447 (Special Contract Natural Gas Service) or Schedule 456 (Interruptible Transportation Service For Customer-Owned Gas). Applicable Customers will be segregated into two (2) distinct Rate Groups:

Group 1 – Schedule 410 and 411

Group 2 – Schedules 420, 424, 425, 439, 440 and 444

MONTHLY RATE:

Group 1 – \$0.09038 per therm

Group 2 – \$0.02448 per therm

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DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURAL GAS DECOUPLING MECHANISM:

Calculation of Monthly Allowed Delivery Revenue Per Customer:

Step 1 – Determine the Total Delivery Revenue - The Total Normalized Revenue is equal to the final approved base rate revenue approved in the Company's last general rate case, individually for each Rate Schedule.

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SCHEDULE 476

INTERVENOR FUNDING GRANTS - OREGON

APPLICABLE:

Adjustments under this schedule are applicable to all bills calculated under all schedules of this Tariff.

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this schedule is to recover the cost of Intervenor Funding Grants provided to various entities to cover their costs of advocating on behalf of customers. The awarding of such grants is governed by Section 7.9 of the Fifth Amended and Restated Intervenor Funding agreement adopted by the Public Utility Commission of Oregon in Order No. 22-506 and Article 7 of the Environmental Justice Communities Funding Agreement adopted by the Public Utility Commission of Oregon in Order No. 23-033.

MONTHLY RATE:

The Commodity Charge per therm of the individual rate schedules are to be adjusted by the following amounts:

Rate Schedule	Rate
Schedule 410-411	\$0.00364 per Therm
Schedule 439	\$0.00054 per Therm
Schedule 440	\$0.00054 per Therm
Schedule 456	\$0.00054 per Therm

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SPECIAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

This schedule is subject to the General Rules and Regulations contained in this tariff and to those prescribed by regulatory authorities.

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SCHEDULE 482**REGULATORY FEE AMORTIZATION- OREGON**

APPLICABLE: Adjustments under this schedule are applicable to all bills calculated under all schedules of this Tariff.

PURPOSE: The purpose of this schedule is to recover the difference between the regulatory fee embedded in customers' rates and the rate approved in UM 1012:

MONTHLY RATE: The Commodity Charge per therm of the individual rate schedules are to be adjusted by the following amounts:

Rate Schedule	Rate
Schedule 410	(\$0.00001) per Therm
Schedule 411	(\$0.00001) per Therm
Schedule 420	(\$0.00001) per Therm
Schedule 424	(\$0.00001) per Therm
Schedule 425	(\$0.00001) per Therm
Schedule 439	(\$0.00001) per Therm
Schedule 440	(\$0.00001) per Therm
Schedule 444	(\$0.00001) per Therm
Schedule 456	(\$0.00001) per Therm

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SPECIAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS: This schedule is subject to the General Rules and Regulations contained in this tariff and to those prescribed by regulatory authorities.

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SCHEDULE 493

**RESIDENTIAL LOW-INCOME RATE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (LIRAP) –
OREGON**

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this schedule is to generate funds to be used for energy assistance for Avista's qualifying low-income residential customers (in accordance with ORS 757.315(3) and ORS 757.230) and to describe the various forms of energy assistance available to qualifying low-income customers.

APPLICABLE:

To all residential Customers in the State of Oregon where the Company has natural gas service available. The Residential Low-Income Rate Assistance Program (LIRAP) Adjustment is applicable to all retail sales customers taking service under Schedules 410, 411, 420, 424, 425, 439, 440 and 444 and the energy assistance offered through LIRAP is made available to all income-qualified Schedule 410 and Schedule 411 customers. Income-qualified is defined as customers with gross household income at or below 60% of Oregon State Median Income (SMI), adjusted for household size, as described herein or established in collaboration with the Community Action Agencies ("Agencies"). Exceptions to income qualifications may be granted with supervisor approval, as described within this tariff.

MONTHLY RATE:

Rate Schedule	Rate
Schedule 410/411	\$0.05282 per Therm
Schedule 420	\$0.04240 per Therm
Schedule 424/425	\$0.00804 per Therm
Schedule 439/440	\$0.00466 per Therm
Schedule 444	\$0.00863 per Therm

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SCHEDULE 463

CLIMATE PROTECTION PROGRAM COST RECOVERY - OREGON

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this schedule is to recover the costs of complying with the Oregon Climate Protection Program (CPP).

APPLICABLE:

Adjustments under this schedule are applicable to all bills calculated under all schedules of this Tariff.

MONTHLY RATE:

The Commodity Charge per therm of the individual rate schedules are to be adjusted by the following amounts:

<u>Rate Schedule</u>	<u>Rate</u>
Schedule 410/411	\$0.00673 per Therm
Schedule 420	\$0.00673 per Therm
Schedule 424/425	\$0.00673 per Therm
Schedule 439/440	\$0.00673 per Therm
Schedule 444	\$0.00673 per Therm
Schedule 456	\$0.00673 per Therm

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SPECIAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

This schedule is subject to the General Rules and Regulations contained in this tariff and to those prescribed by regulatory authorities.

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**SCHEDULE 469
PUBLIC PURPOSE FUNDING SURCHARGE - OREGON**

APPLICABLE:

Adjustments under this schedule are applicable to all bills calculated under all schedules of this Tariff.

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this schedule is to collect funds to be used to fund energy efficiency programs administered through the Energy Trust of Oregon (ETO) and the Company.

MONTHLY RATE:

A public purpose charge, based on a percentage of revenues on an annualized basis, will be collected through monthly charges for the purpose described above. The Commodity Charge per therm of the individual rate schedules are to be adjusted by the following amounts:

Rate Schedule	Rate	
Schedule 410/411	\$0.18291 per Therm	(I)
Schedule 420	\$0.15551 per Therm	(I)
Schedule 424/425	\$0.06474 per Therm	
Schedule 439/440	\$0.03274 per Therm	(I)
Schedule 444	\$0.06717 per Therm	
Schedule 456		
First 10,000	\$0.00264 per Therm	(I)
Next 20,000	\$0.00264 per Therm	(I)
Next 20,000	\$0.00264 per Therm	(I)
Next 200,000	\$0.00000 per Therm	
All Additional	\$0.00000 per Therm	

DETERMINATION OF RATE

The Company will annually determine if the Public Purpose Funding Surcharge for energy efficiency programs administered by the ETO and the Company needs to be adjusted so that forecasted collections, plus any unspent collections, are sufficient to meet all programing needs by the ETO and the Company. Any adjustments needed will take place between April 1st and October 31st of each year.

SPECIAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

1. The budget funds collected to be transferred to the ETO will be calculated in partnership with the Company and the ETO.
2. The monies collected under this schedule for the purposes of funding energy efficiency program delivered by the ETO will be transferred to the ETO monthly.

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