

## Year 4 Electric – Schedule 1 Residential Billing Rates:

Electric Service	Current Billing Rate (per kWh)	Proposed Change	Proposed Bill Rates (per kWh)
Basic Charge	\$12.50	+\$0.50	\$13.00
First 800 kWh/month	\$0.14898	+\$0.00415	\$0.15313
Next 700 kWh/month	\$0.17455	+\$0.00497	\$0.17952
Over 1,500 kWh/month	\$0.20329	+\$0.00588	\$0.20917

## Proposed Electric Revenue Changes by Service Schedule

Rate Schedule	Jan. 2027 Increase	Jan. 2028 Increase	Jan. 2029 Increase	Jan. 2030 Increase
Residential 1/7/8	13.9%	4.7%	3.5%	2.8%
General Service 11/12/13/17/18	13.9%	4.7%	3.5%	2.8%
Large General Service 21/22/23	13.9%	4.7%	3.5%	2.8%
Large General Service – 25	13.9%	4.7%	3.5%	2.8%
Extra Large General Service Special Contract	13.6%	4.6%	3.4%	2.8%
Pumping Service 31/32	13.9%	4.7%	3.5%	2.8%
Street & Area Lights - 42 – 48	13.9%	4.7%	3.5%	2.8%
<b>Overall</b>	<b>13.9%</b>	<b>4.7%</b>	<b>3.5%</b>	<b>2.8%</b>

## Year 1 Natural Gas – Schedule 101 Billing Rates:

Natural Gas Service	Current Bill Rate (per therm)	Proposed Change	Proposed Bill Rates (per kWh)
Basic Charge	\$10.50	+\$1.00	\$11.50
CCA Charge	\$0.39984	\$0.00	\$0.39984
CCA Avg Benefit	(\$10.69)	\$0.00	(\$10.69)
First 70 Therm/Mo	\$1.09601	+\$0.05156	\$1.14757
Over 70 Therm/Mo	\$1.27109	+\$0.06701	\$1.33810

## Year 2 Natural Gas – Schedule 101 Billing Rates:

Natural Gas Service	Current Bill Rate (per therm)	Proposed Change	Proposed Bill Rates (per kWh)
Basic Charge	\$11.50	+\$1.00	\$12.50
CCA Charge	\$0.39984	\$0.00	\$0.39984
CCA Avg Benefit	(\$10.69)	\$0.00	(\$10.69)
First 70 Therm/Mo	\$1.14757	+\$0.01996	\$1.16753
Over 70 Therm/Mo	\$1.33810	+\$0.02594	\$1.36404

## Year 3 Natural Gas – Schedule 101 Billing Rates:

Natural Gas Service	Current Bill Rate (per therm)	Proposed Change	Proposed Bill Rates (per kWh)
Basic Charge	\$12.50	+\$0.50	\$13.00
CCA Charge	\$0.39984	\$0.00	\$0.39984
CCA Avg Benefit	(\$10.69)	\$0.00	(\$10.69)
First 70 Therm/Mo	\$1.16753	+\$0.02425	\$1.19178
Over 70 Therm/Mo	\$1.36404	+\$0.03152	\$1.39556

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First 70 Therm/Mo	\$1.19178	+\$0.00926	\$1.20104
Over 70 Therm/Mo	\$1.39556	+\$0.01203	\$1.40759

## Proposed Natural Gas Revenue Changes by Service

Rate Schedule	Jan. 2027 Increase	Jan. 2028 Increase	Jan. 2029 Increase	Jan. 2030 Increase
Gen. Service 101	5.0%	2.5%	2.2%	1.1%
Lrg. Gen. Service 111/112/116	4.0%	2.0%	1.8%	0.9%
Interrupt. Sales Service 131/132	3.3%	1.7%	1.5%	0.8%
Transportation Service 146	5.5%	2.7%	2.4%	1.2%
<b>Overall</b>	<b>4.7%</b>	<b>2.4%</b>	<b>2.1%</b>	<b>1.1%</b>

# Avista requests electric and natural gas rate changes in Washington.

June 2026

On Jan. 16, 2026, Avista filed a four-year rate plan request with the Washington Utilities and Transportation (Commission) to increase electric and natural gas base rates. If approved, electric and natural gas rates would incrementally increase over the next four years effective Jan. 1, 2027, 2028, 2029 and 2030. The Commission has up to 11 months to review the filing and should issue its decision in December 2026.

If approved as requested, electric revenues would increase as follows:

- **January 1, 2027:** 13.9% or \$111.0 million
- **January 1, 2028:** 4.7% or \$42.5 million
- **January 1, 2029:** 3.5% or \$33.5 million
- **January 1, 2030:** 2.8% or \$27.9 million

If approved as requested, natural gas revenues would increase as follows:

- **January 1, 2027:** 4.7% or \$12.4 million
- **January 1, 2028:** 2.4% or \$6.5 million
- **January 1, 2029:** 2.1% or \$5.9 million
- **January 1, 2030:** 1.1% or \$3.1 million

### Components of Avista's Request

Avista's request is driven by the need to recover increased operating and maintenance costs and fund critical investments, including:

- **Power supply costs** – Rising costs to generate and purchase electricity
- **Infrastructure upgrades** – Modernizing substations, such as the Metro 115 kV substation, replacing aging natural gas pipes, and improving hydroelectric projects
- **Wildfire safety** – Continued investment in Avista's Wildfire Resiliency Plan, which outlines substantial steps that Avista has taken to guard against the growing threat of wildfires.
- **Technology improvements** – Technology upgrades that support necessary business processes and operational efficiencies that allow Avista to effectively manage the utility and serve customers.

The request is based on a proposed rate of return (ROR) of 7.50% with a common equity ratio of 48.5% and a 10.2% return on equity (ROE) starting in 2027. In 2029, the proposed ROR would increase to 7.67% with a 10.5% ROE. Customers pay for these returns to service debt expenses and provide the opportunity for shareholders to earn a fair return on their investment in funding Avista's infrastructure and operations.

## Residential Electric Bill Changes

If the Commission approves Avista's requests as proposed, the monthly bill change for a residential customer using an average of 925 kilowatt hours (kWhs) per month could expect to see billed increases as follows:

- **January 1, 2027:** Increase of \$17.21 per month, or 13.9%, for an average monthly bill from \$124.23 to \$141.44. The monthly increase includes a proposed increase to the basic charge, increasing the current \$10.00 basic charge by \$1.00 per month to \$11.00 per month.
- **January 1, 2028:** Increase of \$6.76 per month, or 4.8%, for an average monthly bill from \$141.44 to \$148.20. The monthly increase includes a proposed \$1.00 per month increase in the basic charge to \$12.00 per month.
- **January 1, 2029:** Increase of \$5.30 per month, or 3.6%, for an average monthly bill from \$148.20 to \$153.50. The monthly increase includes a proposed \$0.50 per month increase in the basic charge to \$12.50 per month.
- **January 1, 2030:** Increase of \$4.44 per month, or 2.9%, for an average monthly bill from \$153.50 to \$157.94. The monthly increase includes a proposed \$0.50 per month increase in the basic charge to \$13.00 per month.

## Residential Natural Gas Bill Changes

If the Commission approves Avista's requests as proposed the proposed monthly bill change for a residential customer using an average of 61 therms per month could expect to see a billed increase as follows:

- **January 1, 2027:** Increase of \$4.14 per month, or 4.5%, for an average monthly bill from \$91.06 to \$95.20. The monthly increase includes a proposed increase to the basic charge, increasing the current \$10.50 basic charge by \$1.00 per month to \$11.50 per month.
- **January 1, 2028:** Increase of \$2.22 per month, or 2.3%, for an average monthly bill from \$95.20 to \$97.42. The monthly increase includes a proposed \$1.00 per month increase in the basic charge to \$12.50 per month.
- **January 1, 2029:** Increase of \$1.98 per month, or 2.0%, for an average monthly bill from \$97.42 to \$99.40. The monthly increase includes a proposed \$0.50 per month increase in the basic charge to \$13.00 per month.
- **January 1, 2030:** Increase of \$1.06 per month, or 1.1%, for an average monthly bill from \$99.40 to \$100.46. The monthly increase includes a proposed \$0.50 per month increase in the basic charge to \$13.50 per month.

## How You Can Participate in the Rate Case Process

The Commission will hold public hearings to examine the requested rate changes. The Commission has the authority to set final rates that may be different from Avista's request based on the results of the investigation, stakeholder input, and customer feedback.

## Virtual Public Hearing August. 27, 2026, 6:30 p.m.

The WUTC will conduct a virtual public hearing to take comments from the public. You can participate via the Zoom link or by phone:

Zoom: <https://utc-wa-gov.zoom.us/j/87976781002?pwd=b4Z79GXXaPckRMR8qMSl3bdAqtn5JA.1>; click Join and enter Meeting ID: 879 7678 1002 and Passcode: 343178

Phone: (253) 215-8782 and enter Meeting ID: 879 7678 1002# and Passcode: 343178#

When you join the hearing via Zoom, please mute your connection. If participating via phone, press \*6 to mute your phone.

If you would like to provide verbal comments at the hearing, please call 1-888-333-9882 or email [comments@utc.wa.gov](mailto:comments@utc.wa.gov) at least one day before the hearing and staff will sign you up to provide your verbal comments.

You may contact the Commission with questions or share your comments by one of the following ways. Please include your name and mailing address, the name of the company (Avista), and the Dockets UE-260007 and UG-260008.

To submit a comment

- Fill out the Online Comment Form. Go to [utc.wa.gov](http://utc.wa.gov) and click on "Submit a public comment."
- Email [comments@utc.wa.gov](mailto:comments@utc.wa.gov);
- Write the UTC at: P.O. Box 47250, Olympia, WA 98504-7250; or
- Call 1-888-333-9882

**The Commission is committed to providing reasonable accommodation to participants with disabilities. If you need reasonable accommodation to participate in the public comment hearing, please contact the Commission at [comments@utc.wa.gov](mailto:comments@utc.wa.gov) or 888-333-9882 before August 20, 2026.**

For more information about the proposed rate change, conservation tips and energy efficiency programs, energy assistance programs and bill payment plans, visit us at [myavista.com](http://myavista.com) or contact us at (800) 227-9187, or by mail at P.O. Box 3727, Spokane, WA 99220. Residential and small business customers are collectively represented by the Public Counsel Unit of the Washington State Attorney General's Office. Contact them at [atg.wa.gov/utilities-regulated](http://atg.wa.gov/utilities-regulated) or by email at [utility@atg.wa.gov](mailto:utility@atg.wa.gov).

## Assistance to Help Make Your Energy Service More Affordable

Avista offers multiple programs to help customers manage energy use and bills. In Washington, the My Energy Discount provides eligible customers with a personalized monthly bill discount, featuring inclusive eligibility, easy enrollment, and a two year term. Additional billing options—such as Comfort Level Billing, preferred due dates, and payment arrangements—offer flexibility in managing costs. Avista also supports energy management through online tools, home energy audits, efficiency rebates, and conservation resources. Emergency assistance, weatherization, and heating upgrades are available through community action agencies, and customers with special health or financial needs can receive referrals through Avista's CARES team. Information is available at [myavista.com/assistance](http://myavista.com/assistance).

## Proposed Rates for Residential Electric Service

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Basic Charge	\$10.00	+\$1.00	\$11.00
First 800 kWh/month	\$0.12105	+\$0.01680	\$0.13785
Next 700 kWh/month	\$0.13910	+\$0.02216	\$0.16126
Over 1,500 kWh/month	\$0.16132	+\$0.02623	\$0.18755

### Year 2 Electric – Schedule 1 Residential Billing Rates:

Electric Service	Current Billing Rate (per kWh)	Proposed Change	Proposed Bill Rates (per kWh)
Basic Charge	\$11.00	+\$1.00	\$12.00
First 800 kWh/month	\$0.13785	+\$0.00607	\$0.14392
Next 700 kWh/month	\$0.16126	+\$0.00724	\$0.16850
Over 1,500 kWh/month	\$0.18755	+\$0.00858	\$0.19613

### Year 3 Electric – Schedule 1 Residential Billing Rates:

Electric Service	Current Billing Rate (per kWh)	Proposed Change	Proposed Bill Rates (per kWh)
Basic Charge	\$12.00	+\$0.50	\$12.50
First 800 kWh/month	\$0.14392	+\$0.00506	\$0.14898
Next 700 kWh/month	\$0.16850	+\$0.00605	\$0.17455
Over 1,500 kWh/month	\$0.19613	+\$0.00716	\$0.20329