

BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION)	
OF AVISTA CORPORATION DBA AVISTA)	CASE NO. AVU-E-16-03
UTILITIES FOR AUTHORITY TO)	
INCREASE ITS RATES AND CHARGES FOR)	NOTICE OF SCHEDULING
ELECTRIC SERVICE IN IDAHO)	
)	NOTICE OF
)	TECHNICAL HEARING
)	
)	ORDER NO. 33555

On May 26, 2016, Avista Corporation dba Avista Utilities filed an Application seeking authority to increase its electric base rates by \$15.4 million (6.3%) in Idaho. The Company says its average residential customer would experience an electric bill increase of \$6.54 (7.7%) per monthly bill. Avista requests an effective date of June 26, 2016, but requests that date be suspended until January 1, 2017, for its proposed increase to take effect.

On June 7, 2016, the Commission issued a Notice of Application and Notice of Intervention Deadline, suspended the first proposed effective date, and directed the parties to confer about a schedule for processing the case. Order No. 33536. Clearwater Paper Corporation, Idaho Forest Group, Snake River Alliance, and CAPAI intervened as parties. Consistent with direction from the Commission, the parties have conferred and agreed to a schedule.

With this Order, we adopt the parties' proposed schedule, and schedule a technical hearing for the parties to testify before the Commission. The Commission will schedule public informational workshops, and a public hearing in a separate Order to be issued at a later date.

NOTICE OF SCHEDULING

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that, based on discussion and agreement between the parties, the Commission adopts the following procedural schedule:

Settlement Conference	October 3, 2016
Staff/Intervenor Prefiled Testimony	October 25, 2016
Company Prefiled Rebuttal	November 21, 2016
Technical Evidentiary Hearing	December 2, 2016

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that all testimony and exhibits in this matter must comport with the requirements of Rule 231 and 267 of the Commission's Rules of Procedure. IDAPA 31.01.01.231 and .267.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the parties have been directed to serve discovery, testimony, and exhibits among themselves by electronic mail pursuant to Rule 63. IDAPA 31.01.01.063.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that when filing discovery with the Commission, the parties shall comply with Rule 61. IDAPA 31.01.01.061.02.

NOTICE OF TECHNICAL HEARING

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Commission will conduct a technical hearing on **FRIDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2016, COMMENCING AT 9:30 A.M. (MST) IN THE COMMISSION HEARING ROOM, 472 WEST WASHINGTON, BOISE, IDAHO.**

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Commission also intends to schedule public workshops in the Company's service territory, and a public hearing for customers and non-parties to testify before the Commission. The date, time, and location of the workshops and public hearing will be detailed in a subsequent Order.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the record in this matter is available for public inspection during regular business hours at the Commission offices. The record is available on the Commission's web site at www.puc.idaho.gov. Click on the "File Room" tab at the top of the page, scroll down to and click on "Electric Cases," and then click on Case No. AVU-E-16-03.


YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that all proceedings in this matter will be conducted pursuant to the Commission's Rules of Procedure, IDAPA 31.01.01.000, *et seq.*

ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Commission adopts the procedural schedule set forth in the above Notice of Scheduling.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a technical hearing will commence in this matter on Friday, December 2, 2016, at 9:30 a.m. (MST) in the Commission Hearing Room.

DONE by Order of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission at Boise, Idaho this 15th
day of July 2016.



PAUL KJELLANDER, PRESIDENT

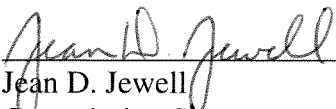


KRISTINE RAPER, COMMISSIONER



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ATTEST:



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Commission Secretary

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