

Clean Energy Transformation Act (CETA) Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

What is the Clean Energy Transformation Act (CETA)?

The CETA legislation was signed into law on May 7, 2019, with the passage of Senate Bill 5116 and commits Washington state to eliminate coal-fired electricity by 2025, achieve a greenhouse gas-neutral electricity supply by 2030, and provide 100% clean electricity by 2045.

What are the requirements for Avista to transition to clean energy?

Avista must develop and submit a Clean Energy Implementation Plan (CEIP) every four years outlining how the Company will:

- Serve Washington customers with electricity sourced from renewable and non-emitting generation resources.
- Pursue all cost-effective energy efficiency and demand response measures.
- Expand access to programs for income-eligible customers.
- Ensure the equitable distribution of energy and non-energy benefits to all customers.

Avista's CEIP can be found at myavista.com/CETA.

What energy sources are considered clean or non-greenhouse gas emmiting under CETA?

Clean energy resources include wind, solar, biofuels, and hydroelectric generation, while non-emitting resources include nuclear, geothermal, or any resource that does not directly produce greenhouse gas emissions.

What provisions does CETA include for low-income households?

CETA requires utilities to increase and expand participation in energy efficiency and energy assistance programs for customers with limited financial resources. To learn more about Avista's energy efficiency, visit <u>myavista.com/powerofchange</u>. And for bill assistance programs, visit <u>myavista.com/WAassistance</u>.





How can customers participate in Avista's clean energy future?

Avista hosts public meetings to inform and hear from Washington electric customers. Interested parties can provide comments at <u>myavista.com/CETA</u> or email at <u>CETA@avistacorp.com</u>. Comments regarding the Company's CEIP are included in its public CEIP documents.

What state agency ensures Avista complies with CETA?

The Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (UTC) regulates Avista's compliance with the law.

How does CETA address energy reliability?

CETA does not change the reliability standards electric utilities are expected to provide. If reliability is at risk, the law allows utilities to prioritize reliability over clean energy requirements for a period of time. Avista will pursue clean energy solutions to maintain its reliability standards so long as it is below the cost limits of complying with the clean energy standards.

Where can I see what Avista is doing to support CETA requirements or find documentation filed with the Washington State Utility and Transportation Commission?

You can go to Washington's Clean Energy Future at <u>myavista.com/CETA</u> for all information, including documents filed with the Commission.

