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Diane Hanian, Secretary
Idaho Public Utilities Commission
W. 472 Washington Street
Boise, Idaho 83720

ADV-19-01-E

Re: Avista Utilities Proposed Tariff Revision Schedule 63 – Net Metering Option Schedule

Dear Ms. Hanian:

Enclosed for electronic filing with the Commission is Avista Corporation's, dba Avista Utilities ("Avista" or "the Company"), request for approval of its proposed revisions to the following electric service tariff sheet, I.P.U.C. No. 28:

First Revision Sheet 63A Canceling **Original Sheet 63A**

The purpose of this filing is to revise Avista's Schedule 63—Net Metering Option Schedule—to update the expiration date for unused credits for kilowatt-hours (kWh) accumulated during the previous year. The Company is requesting to move the current expiration date for unused kilowatt-hours from December 31st to March 31st. By doing so, the proposed modification would recognize the potential number of kilowatt-hours a customer may lose going into the heating season. By extending the use of the kWh bank through the winter months, when customers often consume more energy than they generate, would be to the customer's benefit. Net metering customers typically begin generating more than they consume in April, so the proposed revision

will help eliminate unused kWh. The March 31st expiration date is also consistent with the Company's current practice in Washington.

Avista respectfully requests that the proposed change to electric tariff Schedule 63 become effective November 1, 2019. Please direct any questions on this matter to myself at (509) 495-4975.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Linda Gervais".

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SCHEDULE 63 - Continued
NET METERING OPTION SCHEDULE - IDAHO

- (3) Standards – The net metering system used by a customer-generator must include, at the customer's own expense, all equipment necessary to meet applicable safety, power quality, and interconnection requirements established by the National Electrical Code, National Electrical Safety Code, the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers, and Underwriters Laboratories. The Company will measure the net electricity produced or consumed during the billing period, in accordance with normal metering practices. The Company's written approval of the Customer's protection-isolation method to ensure generator disconnection in case of a power interruption from the Company is required before service is provided under this schedule.
- (4) Balances of generation and usage by the customer-generator -
- (A) If electricity supplied by the Company exceeds the electricity generated by the customer-generator and fed back to the Company during the billing period, the customer-generator shall be billed for the net electricity supplied by the Company at the customer's standard schedule retail rate, in accordance with normal metering practices.
- (B) If electricity generated by the customer-generator exceeds the electricity supplied by the Company, the customer-generator:
- (i) Shall be billed for the appropriate customer charges for that billing period, in accordance with section (2)(A), and
- (ii) Shall be credited for the excess kilowatt-hours generated during the billing period, with this kilowatt-hour credit appearing on the bill for the following billing periods and used to reduce the bill for the following period from the Company.
- (5) Remaining unused kWh credits – On March 31st of each calendar year, any remaining unused credits for kilowatt-hours accumulated during the previous year shall be granted to the Company, without any compensation to the customer-generator.
- (6) Reversion to previous service - The customer-generator, upon selecting the net metering option, may not revert to the customer-generator's previous metering system without written agreement by the Company.

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Effective November 1, 2019

Issued by Avista Utilities

By



Patrick Ehrbar, Director of Regulatory Affairs