

August 26, 2024

Jeff Killip
Executive Director and Secretary
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission
621 Woodland Square Loop SE
Lacey, Washington 98503

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Re: Tariff WN U-29, Natural Gas Service – WA Tax Adjustment Schedule

Attached for electronic filing with the Commission is the following tariff sheet proposed to be effective October 1, 2024:

Seventh Revision Sheet 158A Canceling Sixth Revision Sheet 158A

The purpose of this filing is to remove all references to the utility tax imposed on gross revenue from the sale of electricity within the City of Liberty Lake as specified by Ordinance No. 188B.

All references in Section 4 to a tax rate of three percent (3%) shall be reduced to zero percent (0%);

The proposed tariff sheet has deleted all references to the City of Liberty Lake and its ordinance as there is no longer a taxable amount being imposed upon Avista's customers in the City of Liberty Lake.

The Company requests that the Commission approve the proposed tariff changes included in this filing to be effective October 1, 2024.

Questions or comments regarding this filing should be directed to Joe Miller at (509) 495-4546.

Sincerely,

Patrick Ehrbar

Director of Regulatory Affairs

**Enclosures** 



## CITY OF LIBERTY LAKE

CRIS KAMINSKAS, MAYOR

FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

MARK MCAVOY CITY ADMINISTRATOR 22710 E. COUNTRY VISTA DR. LIBERTY LAKE, WA 99019 509-755-6700

August 21, 2024

Liberty Lake Utility Provider,

On August 20, 2024 the City Council of the City of Liberty Lake, Washington, passed Ordinance 188B, reducing the City's utility tax rate from 3% to 0% effective September 1, 2024. Please let this letter serve as the city's formal notification of this change. Any utility tax remittances received for the September reporting period or any subsequent reporting periods will be returned. Please reach out if you have any questions regarding this change.

Thank you for your attention,

Kyle Dixon

Finance Director

City of Liberty Lake

### CITY OF LIBERTY LAKE SPOKANE COUNTY, WASHINGTON ORDINANCE NO. 188B

# AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LIBERTY LAKE, WASHINGTON, AMENDING THE UTILITY TAX RATE TO PROVIDE REVENUE FOR CITY SERVICES AND CAPITAL REQUIREMENTS, AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

- **WHEREAS**, the City adopted Ordinance No. 188 which established a six percent (6%) Utility Tax Rate for 2011; and
- **WHEREAS**, the City reviewed the six percent (6%) Utility Tax Rate and determined that for the 2012 Budget there were sufficient revenues from other sources to reduce this rate; and
- **WHEREAS**, the City adopted Ordinance No. 188-A which reduced the Utility Tax Rate to three percent (3%) for 2012, and thereafter; and
- **WHEREAS**, the City established an additional revenue source by adopting Ordinance No. 297, establishing a Transportation Benefit District (TBD), and approving Resolution No. 23-254, imposing a sales and use tax of one-tenth of one percent (.1%) within the boundaries of the TBD; and
- **WHEREAS**, the City Council has determined that the public interest is best served by further reducing the utility tax rate; and
- **WHEREAS**, the City Council will annually review the utility tax rate before adoption of each annual budget.
- **NOW, THEREFORE,** the City Council of the City of Liberty Lake, Washington, do ordain as follows:
- **Section 1.** Amendment. City Ordinance No. 188 and Ordinance 188A shall be amended as follows:

#### Section 4. Occupations Subject to Tax - Amount.

- All references in Section 4 to a tax rate of three percent (3%) shall be reduced to zero percent (0%); and
- **Section 2.** Effective Date. This Ordinance shall be published in the official newspaper of the City, and shall take effect and be in full force on September 1, 2024.
- **Section 3.** Severability. If any section, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance, or its application to any person or circumstance should be held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall

not affect the validity or constitutionality of any other section, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance.

All other terms and conditions of Ordinance No. 188 and Ordinance No. 188A shall remain in full force and effect without any further changes.

Passed by the City Council this 20th day of August, 2024.

Mayor, Cristella Kaminskas

ATTEST:

Relsey Hardy
City Clerk, Kelsey Hardy

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

City Attorney, Sean P. Boutz

Seventh Revision Sheet 158A Canceling Sixth Revision Sheet 158A

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## AVISTA CORPORATION dba Avista Utilities

#### SCHEDULE 158 (continued)

Washington <u>City or Town</u>	Ordinance No.	Effective Date	Monthly Taxable Revenue Per Customer	<u>Tax</u>	Excl.
Kettle Falls	1517	01/01/95	All	6.0%	F, S
Lacrosse	278	09/10/90	All	6.0%	F
Lind	06-01	01/15/07	All	6.0%	F
Medical Lake	587	01/01/83	All	6.0%	F
Millwood	426	02/04/12	All	2.0%	F
Odessa	586	01/01/05	All	6.0%	F
Palouse	562	01/01/87	All	6.0%	F
Pullman	00-31	03/01/01	All	6.0%	F
Pullman	87-31	01/01/88	All	2.0%	F
Ritzville	904	04/01/95	All	6.0%	F, S
Rosalia	528	02/01/07	All	5.0%	F
Spokane	C-32142	09/16/04	All	6.38%	
Spangle	402	03/01/13	All	6.0%	F, S
Sprague	731	01/07/00	All	6.0%	F, S
Stevenson	838	10/09/88	All	3.0%	F
Uniontown	413	11/01/08	All	6.0%	F
Warden	350	03/01/85	First \$500	6.0%	F

Excl. (Exclusions): F - All Federal bills S - All State bills

#### **EXCISE TAX CREDIT**

Customers meeting the criteria for preemption of Washington State public utility excise tax as described in WAC 458-20-192 will be eligible to receive an excise tax credit in the amount of 3.8520% of current charges. To receive the credit eligible customers must provide a tribal membership card or other suitable identification as an enrollee of an Indian tribe and the service location must be within Indian country as defined in WAC 458-20-192 Subsection 2.

Issued	August 26, 2024	Effective	October 1, 2024
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Issued by Avista Corporation

By Patrick Ehrbar Director of Regulatory Affairs

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