

AVISTA CORPORATION
dba Avista Utilities

SCHEDULE 92

LOW INCOME RATE ASSISTANCE RATE ADJUSTMENT- WASHINGTON

APPLICABLE:

To Customers in the State of Washington where the Company has electric service available. This Low Income Rate Assistance Rate Adjustment or Rate Adjustment shall be applicable to all retail customers for charges for electric energy sold and to the flat rate charges for Company-owned or Customer-owned Street Lighting and Area Lighting Service. This Rate Adjustment is designed to recover costs incurred by the Company associated with providing Low Income Rate Assistance (LIRAP) to customers.

MONTHLY RATE:

The energy charges of the individual rate schedules are to be increased by the following amounts:

Schedule 1 & 2	\$0.00141 per kWh	(I)
Schedule 11 & 12	\$0.00205 per kWh	(I)
Schedule 21 & 22	\$0.00147 per kWh	(I)
Schedule 25 First 500,000 kWh	\$0.00093 per kWh	(I)
Schedule 25 Next 5,500,000 kWh	\$0.00093 per kWh	(I)
Schedule 25 All Over 6,000,000 kWh	\$0.00000 per kWh	(I)
Schedule 31 & 32	\$0.00128 per kWh	(I)
Schedules 41-48	1.66% of base rates	(I)

ANNUAL TRUE-UP:

On or before August 1, every year, the Company will file to adjust rates collected for the necessary program revenue with an effective date of October 1.

SPECIAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

Service under this schedule is subject to the Rules and Regulations contained in this tariff.

The above Rate is subject to increases as set forth in Tax Adjustment Schedule 58.

Issued July 31, 2020

Effective October 1, 2020

Issued by Avista Corporation
By

Patrick Ehrbar, Director of Regulatory Affairs



AVISTA CORPORATION
dba Avista Utilities

LOW INCOME RATE ASSISTANCE RATE ADJUSTMENT-Continued

The Low Income Rate Assistance Program (LIRAP) provides bill assistance to eligible customers. Program eligibility and benefit determination are conducted by Community Action Agencies. The current LIRAP program is comprised of five components:

- LIRAP Heat: For clients receiving “regular” energy assistance (i.e., LIRAP Heat), the eligibility similar to the Federal Low Income Home Energy Program (LIHEAP) and is available to customers with incomes at or below 150% Federal Poverty Level (FPL). Similar to LIHEAP, the benefit amount is based on (i) household size, income, energy costs (all electric or natural gas costs, used for space heating or base load), and (ii) housing type (single family, multifamily, etc.), then calculated using the mechanism approved by the Department of Commerce.
- LIRAP Emergency Share: For customers receiving “emergency” assistance (i.e., LIRAP Emergency Share) or small benefit amounts, the process is similar to that used for the donation-based Project Share program. The amount of emergency assistance is determined on a case-by-case basis not to exceed \$350. Emergency assistance qualification criteria include imminent danger of disconnection. All energy costs resulting from electric or natural gas usage are eligible (including kWh and therm consumption, applicable taxes, and arrearages).
- LIRAP Senior/Disabled Outreach: A grant-based program for senior and/or individuals with disability with incomes 151 to 200 percent FPL. This program is set to conclude on September 30, 2021.
- Senior/Disabled Rate Discount: A rate discount program designed to help mitigate the impact of energy costs on senior and/or individuals with disability who have variable incomes between 151-200 percent FPL.
- Temporary COVID-19 Hardship Assistance: A one-time grant for customers experiencing financial hardship due to the 2020 Coronavirus pandemic. Mimics “emergency” assistance (i.e. LIRAP Emergency Share or Project Share) processes. The amount of this emergency assistance is determined on a case-by-case basis, not to exceed \$350.

In addition, the agencies may use up to 6% of direct service funding to purchase energy saving items to disburse to individuals either at the time of their appointment or through other conservation education means

Issued April 2, 2020

Effective April 13, 2020

Issued by Avista Corporation
By

Patrick D. Ehrbar, Director, Regulatory Affairs



(N)(D)
(N)
(N)
(N)
(D)