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The average residential customer using 957 kWhs per month will see a decrease of \$0.22 per month, or approximately 0.3%. The present bill for 957 kWhs is \$86.25 while the proposed bill is \$86.03. The actual bill change will vary based on customer usage.

The request is a proposal, subject to public review and a Commission decision. You may contact the UTC at the following address: UTC, 1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive S.W., P.O. Box 47250, Olympia, WA 98504-7250; or by e-mail at: comments@utc.wa.gov. A copy of the application is available for public review at the offices of the Commission and Avista, as well as on our website at www.avistautilities.com under "Energy Prices," "Rates and Tariffs."

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