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**Subject:** Notice: A comment was submitted to PUCWeb  
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The following comment was submitted via PUCWeb:

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Name of Utility Company: AVISTA Corporation

Case ID: AVU-E-21-01

Comment: "I am a current customer of the AVISTA Corporation. I do not consent to a price increase from AVISTA Corporation (case AVU-E-21-01). I have received a refusal of my requests for a safe analog electrical and gas meter for our home. As the result of this, my health is affected, along with the health of a tenant who has decided to move due to the pulsed RF microwave radiation from the AVISTA electrical meter. AVISTA tried to sell out to a foreign country a couple years ago, which would have resulted in a sellout of United States' dams along with other structures. Now they are requesting to raise their rates! I'm told that AVISTA customers have paid over several years into a fund for safe fiber optic cable to their homes. Now there has been a bait-and-switch and AVISTA is requesting permits for putting up cell towers in residential areas, because that is a cheaper route to go for them. AVISTA has shown itself to be a truly cold corporation with no feelings or consideration for human health, the environment, or the protection of United States assets. AVISTA has a monopoly over utility consumers in our area and all they care about is lining their own pockets. A Northwest paper published AVISTA's CEO's annual income and that amount could house and feed twenty or more Idaho families. IPUC has a responsibility to protect Idaho utility consumers from utility rate hikes. They also have a responsibility to keep us safe, which they have been negligent, by not making sure consumers having the freedom to opt out of smart meters or other pulsed RF/microwave emitting meters. Why are AVISTA customers in Washington state granted the freedom to opt out of these meters and AVISTA customers in Idaho denied this freedom? I've heard it said that IPUC is in bed with AVISTA. So far, shamefully, it does appear that way. With AVISTA having a monopoly over the area of their service, IPUC needs to be extra diligent in protecting the rights of the people in Idaho, who have no other option than to suffer less-than-optimal health due to exposure to AVISTA's pulsed RF/microwave emitting meters, or to move somewhere else. "

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