

## Idaho Public Utilities Commission

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NEWS RELEASE: Commission approves settlement that will adjust rates for natural gas and electric customers served by Avista Utilities.

**BOISE** (Sept. 5, 2023) – The Idaho Public Utilities Commission has approved a proposed settlement between several parties that will change the rates Avista Utilities customers are charged for electric and natural gas service.

The approval will allow Avista to increase base revenues collected for natural gas service by approximately 2.7 percent beginning Sept. 1, 2023, and by approximately 0.01 percent beginning Sept. 1, 2024. It also will allow Avista to increase base revenues collected for electric service by approximately 8.0 percent beginning Sept. 1, 2023, and by approximately 1.4 percent beginning Sept. 1, 2024.

The commission found that the proposed settlement will allow Avista to operate sustainably while reducing the effects of rate increases on customers. While basic charges will increase, the commission believes customers will likely see more levelized summer and winter bills.

Avista said it needed the rate increases to recover costs for fixed expenses and ongoing investments in infrastructure, technology and more.

Additional information is available at puc.idaho.gov/case/Details/6970 and puc.idaho.gov/case/Details/6971.