

## **DECISION MEMORANDUM**

**TO: COMMISSIONER ANDERSON  
COMMISSIONER HAMMOND  
COMMISSIONER LODGE  
COMMISSION SECRETARY  
COMMISSION STAFF  
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**DATE: OCTOBER 31, 2023**

**SUBJECT: IN THE MATTER OF AVISTA CORPORATION’S APPLICATION FOR AN ACCOUNTING ORDER TO MODIFY ITS POWER COST ADJUSTMENT MECHANISM TO ACCOUNT FOR COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH WASHINGTON’S CLIMATE COMMITMENT ACT ALLOWANCES; CASE NO. AVU-E-23-04.**

On March 31, 2023, Avista Corporation, d/b/a Avista Utilities (“Avista” or “Company”) applied for authority to modify its power cost adjustment (“PCA”) mechanism to account for costs associated with Washington’s Climate Commitment Act (“CCA”) Allowances. The Company requested its Application be processed by Modified Procedure with an effective date of June 1, 2023.

On April 19, 2023, the Commission issued a Notice of Application, Notice of Suspension suspending the proposed effective date until September 1, 2023, and set a 21-day deadline for Intervention. Order No. 35747. No one intervened.

On June 5, 2023, the Commission issued a Notice of Modified Procedure establishing comment deadlines for the public and the Company’s reply. Order No. 35807.

On August 30, 2023, the Commission issued a Notice of Continued Suspension extending the suspension until November 1, 2023. Order No. 35907.

### **STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

Staff recommends the Commission issue a Notice of Continued Suspension extending the suspension of the proposed June 1, 2023, effective date until December 1, 2023, or until a final order is issued, if before the effective date.

## COMMISSION DECISION

Does the Commission wish to issue a Notice of Continued Suspension extending the suspension of the proposed effective date until December 1, 2023?



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