

BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF AVISTA CORPORATION’S ANNUAL COMPLIANCE FILING TO UPDATE THE LOAD AND GAS FORECASTS IN THE INCREMENTAL COST INTEGRATED RESOURCE PLAN AVOIDED COST MODEL TO BE USED FOR AVOIDED COST CALCULATIONS))))))))	CASE NO. AVU-E-25-13 NOTICE OF FILING NOTICE OF MODIFIED PROCEDURE ORDER NO. 36792
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On September 15, 2025, Avista Corporation (“Company”) filed a compliance filing requesting the Idaho Public Utilities Commission (“Commission”) issue an order accepting its updated load forecast, natural gas price forecast, and contracts used as inputs to calculate its incremental cost Integrated Resource Plan avoided cost rates, as required by Order Nos. 32697, 32802, and 35274. The Company requests its filing be processed by Modified Procedure with an effective date of January 1, 2026.

With this Order the Commission issues notice of the Company’s filing and establishes public comment and Company reply deadlines.

NOTICE OF FILING

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the Company represented that its most recent energy load forecast was developed in May 2025 and is reflected in the following Table 1:

Table 1: Energy Load Forecast

Year	Energy (aMW)
2026	1,169
2027	1,178
2028	1,186
2029	1,202
2030	1,202
2031	1,203
2032	1,204
2033	1,214
2034	1,225
2035	1,237
2036	1,248
2037	1,266
2038	1,285
2039	1,301
2040	1,320
2041	1,345
2042	1,362
2043	1,386
2044	1,406
2045	1,424

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED the Company stated its natural gas forecast was developed using a combination of “the U.S. Energy Information Administration’s Annual Energy Outlook. . . and forward market prices as of June 20, 2025.” Filing at 3. This forecast is reflected in the following Table 2:

Table 2: Natural Gas Price Forecast

Year	Henry Hub	Stanfield
2026	4.16	3.18
2027	3.98	3.18
2028	3.92	3.36
2029	3.91	3.51
2030	4.12	3.41
2031	4.37	3.54
2032	4.74	3.96
2033	5.05	4.28
2034	5.33	4.54
2035	5.66	4.73
2036	5.89	4.73
2037	6.09	4.88
2038	6.37	4.96
2039	6.56	5.05
2040	6.80	5.03
2041	7.05	5.18
2042	7.30	5.39
2043	7.63	5.70
2044	7.93	5.93
2045	8.23	6.07

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Company represented that, since its 2024 annual filing, the Company has not signed any new long-term Public Utility Regulatory Policy Act of 1978 (“PURPA”) contracts or Power Purchase Agreements. The Company also indicated that it has plans to extend two PURPA contracts that are set to expire at the end of 2025.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Filing is available for public inspection during regular business hours at the Commission’s office. These documents are also available on the Commission’s website at www.puc.idaho.gov. Click on the “ELECTRIC” icon, select “Open Cases,” then click on the case number as shown on the front of this document.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that all proceedings in this case will be held pursuant to the Commission’s jurisdiction under Title 61 of the Idaho Code, and all proceedings in this matter will be conducted pursuant to the Commission’s Rules of Procedure, IDAPA 31.01.01.000 et seq.

NOTICE OF MODIFIED PROCEDURE

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Commission has determined that the public interest may not require a formal hearing in this matter, and it will review the case through written submissions under the Commission’s Rules of Modified Procedure Rules 201-204 of the Idaho

Public Utilities Commission's Rules of Procedure, IDAPA 31.01.01.201-204. The Commission notes that Modified Procedure and written comments have proven to be an effective means for obtaining public input and participation.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that persons desiring to state a position on this Filing may file a written comment explaining why they support or oppose the Filing. Persons who would like a hearing must specifically request a hearing in their written comments. **Persons shall have until December 2, 2025, to file written comments.** Comments must be filed through the Commission's website or by e-mail unless computer access is unavailable. To comment electronically, please access the Commission's website at www.puc.idaho.gov. Click the "Case Comment Form" and complete the form using the case number as it appears on the front of this document.

To file by e-mail, persons must e-mail the comments to the Commission Secretary and all parties at the e-mail addresses listed below. Persons submitting a comment by e-mail must provide their name, address, and the Case Number under which they are commenting. Persons submitting a comment by e-mail also acknowledge that submitting a comment in an open case constitutes a public record under *Idaho Code* § 74-101(13), and all information provided by such person is available for public and media inspection.

If computer access is unavailable, then comments may be mailed to the Commission and the Parties at the addresses below. Persons submitting a comment by mail must provide their name, address, and the Case Number under which they are commenting. Persons submitting a comment by mail also acknowledge that submitting a comment in an open case constitutes a public record under *Idaho Code* § 74-101(13), and all information provided by such person is available for public and media inspection.

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YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Company must file any reply comments **by December 9, 2024.**

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that if no written comments or protests are received within the time limit set, the Commission will consider this matter on its merits and enter its order without a formal hearing. If written comments are received within the time limit set, the Commission will consider them and, in its discretion, may set the same for formal hearing.

ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Company's Filing be processed by Modified Procedure. Persons interested in submitting written comments must do so by December 2, 2025. The Company must file any reply comments by December 9, 2025.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that parties comply with Order No. 35375, issued April 21, 2022. Generally, all pleadings should be filed with the Commission electronically and will be deemed timely filed when received by the Commission Secretary. *See* Rule 14.02. Service between parties should continue to be accomplished electronically when possible. However, voluminous discovery-related documents may be filed and served on CD-ROM or a USB flash drive.

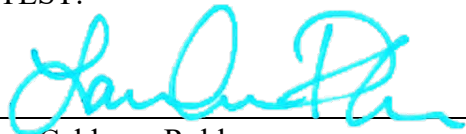
DONE by Order of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission at Boise, Idaho this 9th day of October 2025.


EDWARD LODGE, PRESIDENT


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