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Sent: Monday, March 20, 2023 5:00 PM
To: Jan Noriyuki <jan.noriyuki@puc.idaho.gov>
Subject: Notice: A comment was submitted to PUCWeb

The following comment was submitted via PUCWeb:

Name: Michael Jennings
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Name of Utility Company: Avista

Case ID: AVU-E-23-01

Comment: "Re: Proposed increase in electric rates. Avista Utilities is proposing to increase customer electric rates by almost 20% (19.2%) over the next year-and-a -half. This is overwhelming for me and my family as well as many or most other Avista customers. Avista's stated reason for the increase is to "maintain and upgrade our infrastructure" (Avista Notice, 2/2023). Avista's income from the sale of electricity in 2022 was \$155.2 million (from Avista's web site). An increase of 19.2% would equal almost \$30 million. I am writing to ask the Commission to moderate Avista's request by at least half the amount requested, \$15 million, in the interest of maintaining the budgets of the almost 400,000 Avista Idaho electric customers. We've all been hit hard by inflation and a 20% increase in our power bills is just too much to take. Thank you for your consideration. "

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From: PUCWeb Notification <Do.Not.Reply@puc.idaho.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, March 21, 2023 1:00 PM
To: Jan Noriyuki <jan.noriyuki@puc.idaho.gov>
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The following comment was submitted via PUCWeb:

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Name of Utility Company: Avista

Case ID: AVU-E-23-01

Comment: "I realize that Avista of Washinton is a large company and is trying to make a profit. I also realize that they have consistently requested increases in both electricity and natural gas pricing to customers over that last several years. I have a newer midsize 1600 sq foot home. The amounts they are projecting in the report are about half of the actual usage for both gas and electricity on a very cost-efficient home. I have seen my bill increase in the last two years while using less energy by more than \$50.00 a month. The new proposed increases will be this amount again or more. I am in the fixed income bracket, but do not qualify for assistance due to income. I would like to file a formal complaint, requesting the commission to deny this proposed rate increase. There is no reason why our utility rates should continue to be increased year after year. We have seen an explosion in new population in our area, however this should not be a reason to increase rates since they are also seeing an increase in customer base. Please really look at the numbers they are proposing verses the actual cost to the end users. Thank you."

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