

IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

MINUTES OF DECISION MEETING

October 14, 2014 – 1:30 P.M.

In attendance were Commissioners Paul Kjellander, Mack Redford and Marsha Smith. Commissioner Kjellander called the meeting to order.

The first order of business was **APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING** on Monday, October 6, 2014. The Commission voted unanimously to approve the minutes as written.

Commissioner Kjellander then made a motion to move item 5 on the Consent Agenda to Matters in Progress. A vote was taken on the motion and it carried unanimously.

The next order of business was approval of the **CONSENT AGENDA**:

2. Daphne Huang's October 2, 2014 Decision Memorandum re: Application of Mobilitie, LLC for Registration as a Wholesale Telecommunications Provider in Idaho, Case No. MOB-T-14-01.

3. Don Howell's October 10, 2014 Decision Memorandum re: Settlement of Class Action Lawsuit -- CDA Dairy Queen v. Idaho State Insurance Fund, Case No. CV-09-13607-C.

4. Karl Klein's October 10, 2014 Decision Memorandum re: Application of Avista, Idaho Power and Rocky Mountain Power for Exemption to Utility Customer Relations Rule 311(4) and (5), Case No. GNR-U-14-01.

There was no discussion and Commissioner Kjellander made a motion to approve Staff's recommendations for items 2 through 4 on the Consent Agenda. A vote was taken on the motion and it carried unanimously.

The next order of business was **MATTERS IN PROGRESS**:

5. Karl Klein's October 9, 2014 Decision Memorandum re: Joint Application for Order Authorizing United Water to Connect to and Take Over Operation of Brian Water's Domestic Water System, Case No. UWI-W-14-01.

Commissioner Smith asked why Staff is proposing such an extended comment period when the matter seems to be time sensitive. Mr. Howell replied that the case involves over a million dollars in assets and Staff needs to do discovery. Mr. Lobb added that Staff had first started this process in January of 2012. He said the general body of ratepayers will be paying for most of the \$1.4 million in costs, and the Staff has some questions about how individual customer contributions will be collected, how the cost estimates were developed and what other

alternatives were considered. He said they didn't want to be too hasty because it's the biggest project United Water has undertaken in terms of the subsidy. He stated that the new comment deadline would be November 28th. Commissioner Smith said that if Staff thinks it will take six weeks to get the answers then it should have the time it needs, but it seemed like a long time. Mr. Lobb added that they wanted to build in two rounds of discovery and the company has agreed to respond within 14 days for each round, so to get the questions asked and answered and the comments drafted, they thought they would need that much time.

There were no further questions and Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve item 5 with the revised comment deadline of November 28th and a revised reply deadline of December 12th, and if the company has no reply comments, it should notify the Commission so the Commission can deliberate as soon as possible. There was no discussion. A vote was taken on the motion and it carried unanimously.

The final order of business was **FULLY SUBMITTED MATTERS:**

6. Deliberation re: Idaho Power's Application Confirming the Capacity Deficiency Period for Incremental Cost, Integrated Resource Plan, Avoided Cost Methodology. Case No. IPC-E-14-22. [Kristine Sasser, Attorney]

7. Deliberation re: Idaho Power's Application Regarding Its Energy Sales Agreement with Black Canyon Bliss, LLC, Case No. IPC-E-14-23. [Kristine Sasser, Attorney]

Commissioner Kjellander stated that items 6 and 7 would be deliberated privately.

There was no further business before the Commission and Commissioner Kjellander adjourned the meeting.

COMMISSION SECRETARY

DATE OF APPROVAL