

IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

MINUTES OF DECISION MEETING

April 2, 2018 – 1:30 P.M.

In attendance were Commissioners Paul Kjellander, Kristine Raper and Eric Anderson. Commissioner Kjellander called the meeting to order.

The first order of business was **APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING** on Monday, March 26, 2018. The Commission voted unanimously to approve the minutes as written.

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

2. Daniel Klein's March 20, 2018, Decision Memorandum re: 2017 Idaho Telephone Service Assistance Program Annual Report; Case No. GNR-T-18-03.

Mr. Klein reviewed his Decision Memo, he stated; Staff has reviewed the report and proposed budget. Staff supports the Administrators recommendation to continue suspending the surcharge rates for all wire line and all access lines for another year. Staff recommends approval of the Administrators Annual Report and recommended budget for the calendar year of 2018. Staff also recommends that the Commission direct all companies to record access line counts.

Commissioner Raper moved that; the Commission accept the 2018 Annual Report, adopt the Administrators 2018 Budget and the Administrators recommendation to continue suspending the assessments for calendar year 2018. Also, in the final Order direct the companies to continue to report access line counts even though the surcharge is suspended.

Commissioner Kjellander asked if there were any further questions. There were no further questions and Commissioner Kjellander moved to grant the motion. A vote was taken on the motion and it carried unanimously.

3. Daniel Klein's March 20, 2018, Decision Memorandum re: 2017 Idaho Telecommunications Relay Service Annual Report; Case No. GNR-T-18-02.

Mr. Klein reviewed his Decision Memo, he stated; Staff has reviewed the Administrators report and believes the Administrators budget projections for 2018 are acceptable and the TRS contributions at the current funding level.

Commissioner Kjellander moved to; accept the Administrators recommendation to accept the current TRS rates and accept the Annual Report and Budget for 2018.

Commissioner Kjellander asked if there were any further questions. There were no further questions and Commissioner Kjellander moved to grant the motion.

4. Brandon Karpen's March 23, 2018, Decision Memorandum re: In the Matter of the Investigation of Atlanta Power Company's Service and Customer Relations; Case No. ATL-E-18-01.

Mr. Karpen reviewed his Decision Memo, he stated; Staff has been made aware of a service line of a single customer that is no longer suspended and is on the ground. The State Fire Marshall has stated that it is now a safety issue. Staff is asking that the Commission and requesting that an order be issued related to safety issue, to put the line back.

Commissioner Raper moved to; issue and Order requiring the company to repair the downed powerline line and Staff within 60 days will report back with the Commissioners and the Commission to give an update on what has occurred and what our options are at that point for county intervention if the Utility is still unable to be contacted.

Commissioner Kjellander asked if there were any further questions. There were no further questions and Commissioner Kjellander moved to grant the motion. A vote was taken on the motion and it carried unanimously.

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

5. Deliberation re: Application of Idaho Power Company for a Determination of Hells Canyon Relicensing Costs Through 2015 as Prudently Incurred; Case No. IPC-E-16-32. [Brandon Karpen, Attorney]

6. Deliberation re: Rickel Water Company, Inc., and Bitterroot Water System, Inc.; Case No. RIC-W-1701. [Brandon Karpen, Attorney]

Commissioner Kjellander stated items 5 and 6 under Fully Submitted Matters would be deliberated privately. There was no further business before the Commission and he adjourned the meeting.

COMMISSION SECRETARY

DATE OF APPROVAL