

IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

MINUTES OF DECISION MEETING

May 7, 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, May 3, 2018. The Commission voted unanimously to approve the minutes as written.

The second order of business was **CONSENT AGENDA**:

- 2. Brandon Karpen's April 23, 2018, Decision Memorandum re: Idaho Power Company's Power Cost Adjustment; Case No. IPC-E-18-06.**
- 3. Brandon Karpen's April 27, 2018, Decision Memorandum re: In the Matter of the Application of Northwest Natural Water Company, LLC to Acquire Falls Water Company; Case No. FLW-W-18-01.**
- 4. Brandon Karpen's May 1, 2018, Decision Memorandum re: Joint Application of Hydro One Limited and Avista Corporation for Approval of Merger Agreement; Case Nos. AVU-E-17-09 and AVU-G-17-05.**
- 5. Edith Pacillo's April 26, 2018, Decision Memorandum re: The Application of Idaho Power Company for Approval or Rejection of an Energy Sales Agreement with Evergreen Energy, Inc., for the Sale and Purchase of Electric Energy from the Tamarack CSPP Project; Case No. IPC-E-18-04.**
- 6. Edith Pacillo's May 1, 2018, Decision Memorandum re: The Petition of Idahydro, Shorock Hydro, Inc., J.R. Simplot Company, and Renewable Energy Coalition for Modification of the 90/110 Performance Band and Calculation of Operation and Maintenance Charges for PURPA Qualifying Facilities; Case No. IPC-E-18-07.**
- 7. Karl Klein's May 1, 2018, Decision Memorandum re: Proposed Settlement Regarding Avista Corporation in the Commission's Investigation into the Impact of Federal Tax Code Revisions on Utility Costs and Ratemaking; Case No. GNR-U-18-01.**
- 8. Karl Klein's May 1, 2018, Decision Memorandum re: Idaho Department of Administration's Petition for Exemption from Master Metering Rules; Case No. IPC-E-18-08.**
- 9. Karl Klein's May 1, 2018, Decision Memorandum re: Late Petitions to Intervene filed by PacifiCorp Idaho Industrial Customers, Monsanto Company, and Idaho Irrigation**

Pumper's Association in the Investigation Into the Impact of Federal Tax Code Revisions on Utility Costs and Ratemaking; Case No. GNR-U-18-01.

Commissioner Kjellander made a motion to approve Staff's recommendation for items 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9 on the Consent Agenda. A vote was taken on the motion and it carried unanimously.

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

10. Sean Costello's May 1, 2018, Decision Memorandum re: Update to Published Avoided Cost Rates to Reflect an Updated Natural Gas Price Forecast of the U.S. Energy Information Administration; Case Nos. AVU-E-18-04, IPC-E-18-05, PAC-E-18-02.

Mr. Costello reviewed his Decision Memo; he stated, Staff believes that other interested parties, utilities and stakeholders should be able to fully participate in a discussion of any changes to the forecast methodology.

Commissioner Raper moved that the Commission accept Staff's updated published avoided costs rates for Idaho Power, Avista and Pacifi Corp. by June 21, 2018.

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:**

11. Deliberation re: In the Matter of the Joint Petition of Avista Corporation, Idaho Public Utilities Staff, and Community Action Partnership (CAPAI) to Increase Low-Income Funding Under Tariff Schedules 91 and 191; Case Nos. AVU-E-18-02 and AVU-G-18-01. [Brandon Karpen, Attorney]

Commissioner Kjellander stated item 11 under Fully Submitted Matters would be deliberated privately.

The next order of business was **EXECUTIVE SESSION MATTERS:**

12. To communicate with legal counsel regarding pending litigation. [Edith Pacillo, Attorney]

Commissioner Kjellander made a motion to adjourn into Executive Session and cited Idaho Code § 74-206(1)(f). He stated that the purpose of the Executive Session would be to communicate with the Commissioner's attorneys about pending litigation.

A roll call was taken and they adjourned into Executive Session. The Executive Session began at 1:38 p.m. and ended at 1:44 p.m.

Commissioner Kjellander reconvened the regular meeting at 1:46 p.m. He stated that there was no further business before the Commission and he adjourned the meeting.

COMMISSION SECRETARY

DATE OF APPROVAL