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BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION)	
OF IDAHO POWER COMPANY FOR)	CASE NO. IPC-E-16-23
AUTHORITY TO INCREASE RATES FOR)	
ELECTRIC SERVICE DUE TO REVISED)	
DEPRECIATION RATES FOR ELECTRIC)	
PLANT-IN-SERVICE)	
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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION)	
OF IDAHO POWER COMPANY FOR)	CASE NO. IPC-E-16-24
AUTHORITY TO INCREASE RATES FOR)	
ELECTRIC SERVICE TO RECOVER COSTS)	MOTION FOR PROCEDURAL
ASSOCIATED WITH THE NORTH VALMY)	RELIEF
PLANT)	
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COMES NOW the Staff of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission, and under Rule 256.03 of the Commission’s Rules of Procedure (IDAPA 31.01.01.256.03), moves for an Order changing the comment deadlines in the above-captioned cases, as set in Order No. 33690.

On October 21, 2016, Idaho Power Company filed an Application asking the Commission to adopt revised depreciation rates for its electric plant-in-service and correspondingly adjust Idaho jurisdictional base rates, with a requested effective date of June 1, 2017. Application (Case No. IPC-E-23) at 1. The Company concurrently filed an Application requesting Commission authorization to accelerate the depreciation schedule for the North Valmy power plant, establish an associated balancing account, and adjust customer rates, also with a requested effective date of June 1, 2017. *See* Application (Case No. IPC-E-16-24) at 1.

In November 2016, the Commission issued an Order providing Notice of the Application and setting a deadline for interventions. Order No. 33650. The Commission granted Petitions to Intervene in both cases from the Idaho Irrigation Pumpers Association, Inc. (IIPA), Micron Technology, Inc., the Idaho Conservation League (ICL) and Sierra Club, and the U.S. Department of Energy and the Federal Executive Agencies. Order Nos. 33659, 33660, 33670, 33671, 33672, 33710, 33673, and 33674. The Commission also granted a Petition to Intervene in the revised depreciation case from Industrial Customers of Idaho Power (ICIP). Order No. 33676. On April 7, 2017, ICIP submitted a late Petition to Intervene in the North Valmy case; that Petition is pending.

The parties conferred and agreed to process the Application via Modified Procedure and to the following schedule, which the Commission adopted:

April 20, 2017	Deadline for parties' comments
May 4, 2017	Deadline for parties' cross-answering comments
May 18, 2017	Deadline for Company reply comments

Order No. 33690. The parties also agreed to meet to discuss potential settlement options.

In the course of settlement discussions, the parties have indicated that they would like more time to consider potential settlement options and to develop comments if a settlement is not reached. The parties have agreed to the following revised proposed schedule:

April 27, 2017	Deadline for parties' comments
May 9, 2017	Deadline for parties' cross-answering comments
May 18, 2017	Deadline for Company reply comments

Accordingly, Staff now respectfully moves to vacate the previously-adopted schedule and asks the Commission to adopt the parties' new proposed schedule instead.

Good cause exists for this Motion because all parties to both cases agree to the new proposed schedule and because the change will allow more time for the parties to consider settlement proposals and still complete comments within the same overall timeframe as before. In particular, the new schedule does not change the last comment deadline, May 18, for the Company's reply comments.

Staff therefore requests that the Commission grant the Motion and adopt the parties' new proposed comment schedule.

Respectfully submitted this 13th day of April 2017.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT I HAVE THIS 13th DAY OF APRIL 2017, SERVED THE FOREGOING **MOTION FOR PROCEDURAL RELIEF**, IN CASE NOS. IPC-E-16-23 AND IPC-E-16-24, BY MAILING A COPY THEREOF, POSTAGE PREPAID, TO THE FOLLOWING:

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