

**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY
BEFORE THE
BONNEVILLE POWER ADMINISTRATION**

**2007 SUPPLEMENTAL WHOLESALE)
POWER RATE ADJUSTMENT PROCEEDING) BPA DOCKET WP-07 SUPP
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**PETITION TO INTERVENE BY THE
IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**

Pursuant to Rule 1010.4 of the Bonneville Power Administration's ("Bonneville") Rules of Procedure Governing Rate Hearings, the Idaho Public Utilities Commission ("Idaho PUC") respectfully moves to intervene in the above-entitled matter. Bonneville's Public Notice in this matter requires Petitions to Intervene to be filed no later than the close of business on February 18, 2008. 73 Fed.Reg. 7539 (February 8, 2008).

I. INTEREST OF PETITIONER

The Idaho PUC is the state regulatory commission empowered pursuant to Idaho Code Title 61 to regulate all investor-owned utilities (IOUs) operating within the State of Idaho. In this capacity, the Idaho PUC is responsible for regulating Avista Utilities, Idaho Power Company, and PacifiCorp dba Rocky Mountain Power. *Idaho Code* § 61-502. Until the residential exchange program (REP) was suspended last summer, these Idaho IOUs participated in the REP. 16 U.S.C. § 839c(c).

As Bonneville observed in its Notice, the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit found that Bonneville had improperly allocated REP costs to the rates paid by Bonneville's preference customers. Over the years, residential and small-farm irrigation customers of the three Idaho IOUs have shared in the benefit of the region's federal hydroelectric projects. The suspension of the REP credits in June 2007 resulted in a net rate increase for more

than 560,000 Idaho customers. For example, loss of the REP credit resulted in PacifiCorp rate increases of approximately 28% for the average residential customer and 51% for the average irrigation customer. *See* IPUC Order No. 30329 (May 31, 2007).

Consequently, the Idaho PUC has a direct and substantial interest in the calculating the going-forward power rates, amount of the REP benefits that Idaho IOUs should have received from FY 2002 through FY 2008, and the utility-specific “look back amounts” for each Idaho IOU.

II. COMMUNICATIONS AND SERVICE

The Idaho PUC requests that all communications and papers relating to this proceeding be served upon:

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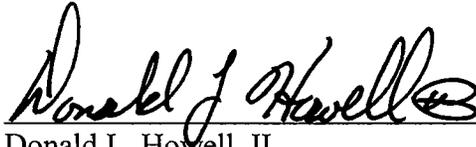
The Idaho PUC requests that these names be added to the official service list for the above-captioned docket.

III. CONCLUSION

The Idaho PUC intends to fully participate in this docket and has a definable interest in the outcome of this proceeding. Granting the Idaho PUC intervention in this matter promotes the public interest. Consequently, the Idaho PUC respectfully requests that the hearing officer grant its Petition to Intervene as a party.

Respectfully submitted this 18th day of February 2008.

FOR THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION



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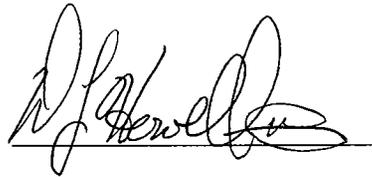
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a copy of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission's Petition to Intervene in BPA Docket WP-07 Supplemental was emailed to the following on February 18, 2008.

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