

DECISION MEMORANDUM

**TO: COMMISSIONER KJELLANDER
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FROM: KRISTINE SASSER

DATE: OCTOBER 21, 2011

**SUBJECT: REVIEW OF PURPA QF CONTRACT PROVISIONS (3RD PHASE OF
THE GENERIC PURPA PROCEEDINGS), CASE NO. GNR-E-11-03**

On September 1, 2011, the Commission initiated this proceeding to review the terms of PURPA power purchase agreements. Order No. 32352. The Commission directed that, following issuance of the Notice of Parties, the parties informally meet to establish a schedule and further define the issues to be addressed during this proceeding. On September 21, 2011, a Notice of Parties was issued. Pursuant to the Commission's directive, the parties met on October 20, 2011, to discuss scheduling and other procedural issues. Fifteen of the nineteen parties to the proceeding were present.¹

Based on discussion and agreement between the parties, Staff proposes that the Commission adopt the following procedural schedule:

December 15, 2011	Presentation of IRP models by utilities
January 31, 2012	Company prefile direct testimony
February 28, 2012	Settlement conference
May 4, 2012	Staff/Intervenor prefile direct testimony
June 1, 2012	Discovery cut-off
June 29, 2012	Simultaneous filing of rebuttal testimony
July 6, 2012	Rebuttal only discovery cut-off
July 20, 2012	Simultaneous filing of legal briefs
August 7-9, 2012	Technical hearing

¹ Birch Power Company, Idaho Windfarms, LLC, Renewable Northwest Project and Idaho Conservation League were unable to attend.

The parties have also agreed that service of discovery, testimony, and exhibits among the parties will be accomplished by electronic mail.

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Does the Commission wish to adopt the schedule as proposed?



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