BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

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IN THE MATTER OF THE COMMISSION'S REVIEW OF PURPA QF CONTRACT PROVISIONS INCLUDING THE SURROGATE AVOIDED RESOURCE (SAR) AND INTEGRATED RESOURCE PLANNING (IRP) METHODOLOGIES FOR CALCULATING PUBLISHED AVOIDED COST RATES.

CASE NO. GNR-E-11-03

ORDER NO. 32557

Ridgeline Energy, LLC petitioned to intervene in this case on May 17, 2012 after the deadline for petitioning to intervene of September 8, 2011, pursuant to Rules of Procedure 71 through 75 of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission, IDAPA 31.01.01.071-.075.

FINDINGS OF FACT

We find that no party opposed this Petition to Intervene.

We further find that based on the pleadings and other documents filed in this case, intervention by this party would serve the purposes of intervention as described by Rule 74 of the Rules of Procedure. Ridgeline maintains that it will not disrupt or prejudice existing parties or unduly broaden the issues. Ridgeline agrees to limit its participation to submission of a legal brief on or before July 20, 2012, relating to legal issues associated with Idaho Power's proposed Schedule 74 and cross-examination of Idaho Power's witness, Tessia Park, at the technical hearing scheduled to begin August 7, 2012. By adopting the self-imposed limitations to Ridgeline's participation in these proceedings, we find that granting this late intervention will not prejudice any party and that late intervention should be granted.

Ridgeline also requests that the Commission take official notice of its existing Firm Energy Sales Agreements. Pursuant to Rule 263 of the Commission's Rules of Procedure, a party requesting that the Commission take official notice of documents "must submit those documents to the Commission in the manner prescribed for documents in Rule 262." Therefore, in order for the Commission to take official notice, Ridgeline must comply with the Rules of Evidence with regard to such matters. *See* Rules 261 through 270.

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ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the Petition to Intervene filed by Ridgeline Energy, LLC is hereby granted.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Ridgeline's participation is limited to legal briefing and cross-examination of Idaho Power witness Tessia Park.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that all parties in this proceeding serve all papers hereafter filed in this matter on all parties of record. This intervenor is represented by the following for purposes of service:

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DONE by Order of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission at Boise, Idaho this 25^{+4} day of May 2012.

PAUL KJELLANDER, PRESIDENT

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