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Idaho Public Utilities Commission
P.O. Box 83702
Boise, ID 83702-0074

Re: Electric Case GNR-E-11-03

Dear Members of the Commission:

On behalf of ON Semiconductor-Pocatello, I want to express my concern regarding Idaho Power customers paying higher electrical rates due to requirements that utility companies purchase power from alternative-energy producers, especially the wind power industry, at rates significantly higher than electricity generated from other sources.

Idaho is a desirable state for our business due, in part, to one of the lowest industrial electricity rates in the nation. It is very important that rates remain low for our Idaho business to compete in the international market.

We support the use of renewable energy as long as it is needed, priced fairly, and doesn't compromise the reliability of the electrical delivery system. Like others, our business needs a reliable system providing low cost electricity. We cannot afford a system or structure that is unreliable or that provides artificial energy subsidies thus driving up our business expenses and reducing our competitiveness.

Thank you for your service to our state and for considering our views on this important issue.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John Spicer".

John Spicer
Site Manager & Senior Director of Operations
ON Semiconductor-Pocatello