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Regulatory Analyst

April 17, 2013

Ms. Jean D. Jewell
Commission Secretary
Idaho Public Utilities Commission
PO Box 83720
Boise, ID 83720-0074

RE: Annual Compliance Filing of Asset Retirement Obligations ("ARO") (ASC 410)
Case No. IPC-E-03-11

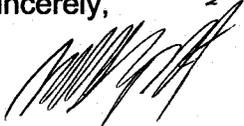
Dear Ms. Jewell:

In Order No. 29414, the Commission directed Idaho Power Company ("Company") to record regulatory assets or liabilities associated with implementation of Statement of Financial Accounting Standards 143 (now codified as Accounting Standards Codification ("ASC") 410). As a result of the Order, the Company is required to file annually, and as part of any rate case filing, all journal entries made under the requirements of ASC 410. Three copies of the journal entries are enclosed.

On February 15, 2012, the Company filed an application requesting authorization to increase its rates for the early closure of the Boardman power plant. On May 17, 2012, Order No. 32549 was issued authorizing the Company to begin recovery of the Boardman balancing account which tracks the incremental costs and benefits associated with the early shutdown of Boardman, including Boardman-related ARO balances. In addition, Order No. 32549 exempted Boardman-related ARO balances from the deferral treatment required under Order No. 29414.

If you have any questions regarding this filing, please contact me at (208) 388-5493 or swright@idahopower.com.

Sincerely,



Scott Wright

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Enclosures

cc: Terri Carlock
Greg Said
Tim Tatum

Idaho Power Company
Accounting Standards Codification 410 (previously FAS 143) Accounting
Year Ended December 31, 2012

Recorded journal entries

	FERC Account	Dr.	Cr.
<i>December 31, 2011 balances</i>			
ARO Assets	101	8,648,864	
Accumulated depreciation - ARO assets	108		2,839,519
Accumulated depreciation - removal costs	108	163,172,813	
Regulatory assets	182.3	15,557,422	
ARO Liabilities	230		21,366,767
Regulatory liabilities	254		163,172,813
Accretion expense (Boardman only), cumulative	411		
Depreciation expense (Boardman only), cumulative	403		

Calendar year 2012 Accretion, Depreciation, Regulatory Asset Amortization, and Removal Cost Entries

1	Regulatory asset (accretion expense)	182.3	859,868	
	Accretion expense (Boardman only)	411	130,133	
	ARO liabilities	230		990,000

To record accretion expense on the asset retirement obligations

2	Regulatory asset (depreciation expense)	182.3	359,763	
	Depreciation expense (Boardman only)	403	265,891	
	Accumulated depreciation - ARO assets	108		625,654

To record depreciation on the ARO assets

3	Accretion expense (Boardman only)	411	53,011	
	Depreciation expense (Boardman only)	403	51,184	
	Regulatory asset (Boardman amortization)	182.3		104,195

To record amortization of the Boardman regulatory asset

4	Accumulated depreciation - removal costs	108	5,478,446	
	Regulatory liabilities	254		5,478,446

To record adjustments to the ARO regulatory liability for the difference between regulatory-approved removal costs and the ASC 410 accruals. Please note, this is made in the ELIM business unit now and not the IPC business unit because it is required for GAAP but not for FERC

Calendar year 2012 changes in estimates

5	ARO Assets	101	2,208,288	
	Accumulated depreciation - ARO assets	108	65,191	
	Regulatory asset	182.3		863,501
	ARO Liabilities	230		1,409,978

To record revision of estimated AROs at Valmy, Bridger, Boardman, and IPC.

Calendar year 2012 retirements

6	Regulatory asset	182.3		784,695
	ARO Liabilities	230	784,695	

To record the retirement of a pond at Bridger.

December 31, 2012 balances

ARO Assets	101	10,857,152	-
Accumulated depreciation - ARO assets	108	-	3,399,983
Accumulated depreciation - removal costs	108	168,651,260	-
Regulatory assets	182.3	15,024,662	-
ARO Liabilities	230	-	22,982,049
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