

## Jean Jewell

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**From:** Ed Howell  
**Sent:** Monday, November 24, 2003 7:07 PM  
**To:** Jean Jewell; Ed Howell; Gene Fadness; Tonya Clark  
**Subject:** Comment acknowledgement

WWW Form Submission:

Monday, November 24, 2003  
7:07:15 PM

Case: Idaho Power Rate Increase Request

Name: Chad Covert

Street Address:

City: Pocatello

State: ID

ZIP: /3201

Home Telephone:

E-Mail:

Company: Idaho Power

mailing\_list\_yes\_no: no

Comment\_description: I am opposed to the "per meter" customer charge increase, which is exhorbitant as it will negate my economic incentive/ability to conserve energy and unfairly burden my monthly personal household budget. I am not opposed to a (modest) increase, just to it being added as a flat increase on the base over which my conservation efforts have no effect. Thank you.

Transaction ID: 11241907.15

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**From:** Ed Howell  
**Sent:** Monday, November 24, 2003 12:05 PM  
**To:** Jean Jewell; Ed Howell; Gene Fadness; Tonya Clark  
**Subject:** Comment acknowledgement

WWW Form Submission:

Monday, November 24, 2003  
12:05:22 PM

Case: IPC-E-03-13  
Name: Eric Munz  
Street\_Address: 4066 N. Pennfield Place  
City: Boise  
State: Idaho  
ZIP: 83713  
Home\_Telephone: 208-377-4852  
E-Mail: ermunz@juno.com  
Company: Idaho Power

mailing\_list\_yes\_no: no

Comment\_description: I want to express my concern over the size of Idaho Power's requested rate increase. They say it is needed because of the costs to increase the infrastructure to provide service to their growing customer base. Doesn't that customer base pay for their service? Aren't infrastructure costs factored into everyone's bill? If Idaho Power has an expanding customer base that requires increasing the infrastructure, then it stands to reason that they should also be experiencing a increase in revenue streams due to this expanding base.

Idaho Power is requesting a 17.7% average increase to base rates. But, when you also factor in the increase in the customer charge from \$2.51/month to \$10.00/month, the increase for the average residential customer grows to 28.7%. In either case, I consider this increase excessive. In an economy where many workers are fortunate to have a job, and few wage increases are being provided by employers, I find this huge increase to be unconscionable.

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**From:** Front  
**Sent:** Monday, November 24, 2003 8:09 AM  
**To:** Jean Jewell  
**Subject:** FW: Complaint acknowledgement

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From: Ed Howell  
Sent: Saturday, November 22, 2003 11:03 AM  
To: Front; Beverly Barker; Ed Howell; Tonya Clark  
Subject: Complaint acknowledgement

WWW Form Submission:

Saturday, November 22, 2003  
11:02:59 AM

Name: timothy j shields  
Street\_Address: 180 linke ct  
City: kuna  
State: idaho  
ZIP: 83634  
Home\_Telephone: 922-1573  
Work\_Telephone:  
E-Mail:  
Home\_Business: Home  
Business\_Name:  
Business\_Street\_Address:  
Business\_Phone:  
Complaint\_Company: idaho power  
Local\_Provider:  
Contacted\_utility: No  
Complaint\_description: i see no reason for idaho power to raise power rates and comuster service charges at this time when the company stock price reflects the company is making a decent profit i am dead against the 10 dollor monthly servive charge and proposed rate increases i want you to oppose theses increases at this time. mr timothy j shields

Transaction ID: 11221102.59  
Referred by: <http://www.puc.state.id.us/scripts/polyform.dll/cons>  
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**Sent:** Monday, November 24, 2003 8:07 AM  
**To:** Jean Jewell  
**Subject:** FW: Complaint acknowledgement

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From: Ed Howell  
Sent: Sunday, November 23, 2003 6:55 PM  
To: Front; Beverly Barker; Ed Howell; Tonya Clark  
Subject: Complaint acknowledgement

WWW Form Submission:

Sunday, November 23, 2003  
6:54:48 PM

Name: craig e siler  
Street\_Address: rt#2 box 24k  
City: pocatello  
State: idaho  
ZIP: 83202  
Home\_Telephone: 208-237-8232  
Work\_Telephone:  
E-Mail: crganson@cablone.net  
Home\_Business: Both  
Business\_Name:  
Business\_Street\_Address:  
Business\_Phone:  
Complaint\_Company: idaho power  
Local\_Provider:  
Contacted\_utility: No

Complaint\_description: I think idaho power has a lot of nerve trying to get another rate increase. Not only on the home power which is around 17% but the irrigation rate is more like 25% according to their news letter. When is this going to stop!!! The farmers can hardly afford to irrigate let alone heat their homes with these ridiculous rates. I am scared to think of the elderly with fixed incomes. Idaho Power is not kidding anybody. They get revenue back on every private pole now where they did not before. I think it is time that the utility commition put them down in their place. Time to end corporate greed. Next time we talk about rate increases lets look at their profits for the year. I would bet they dont want to talk about that.

thanks for your time

craig siler

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**From:** Front  
**Sent:** Friday, November 21, 2003 8:04 AM  
**To:** Jean Jewell  
**Subject:** FW: Complaint acknowledgement

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From: Ed Howell  
Sent: Thursday, November 20, 2003 11:47 PM  
To: Front; Beverly Barker; Ed Howell; Tonya Clark  
Subject: Complaint acknowledgement

WWW Form Submission:

Thursday, November 20, 2003  
11:46:47 PM

Name: kim naaf  
Street\_Address: 11367 hinsdale ct  
City: boise  
State: id  
ZIP: 83713  
Home\_Telephone: 375-8266  
Work\_Telephone: 947-6656  
E-Mail: knaaf@hotmail.com  
Home\_Business: Home  
Business\_Name:  
Business\_Street\_Address:  
Business\_Phone:  
Complaint\_Company: idaho power  
Local\_Provider:  
Contacted\_utility: yes

Complaint\_description: regarding idaho powers' request to raise rates by 17.7 percent: just one thing i think you should look into and take into consideration before this is potentially approved--please find out just how much they have spent this year on advertising day and night on all local radio and television stations with their "whats driving your rates" campaign. earlier in the year, they were advertising all day on the radio and on t.v. about how the power rates were dropping, and why they were dropping. and it occurred to me the more i heard these advertisements, that if they continued advertising like that, it wouldnt take long before they would want to raise the rates just to cover that expense. indeed--it took less than 6 months. of course, they would rather have us believe that they installed miles and miles and miles of power lines and didnt bill anyone and now they need to recover those expenses. well, they haven't really slowed down on their advertising--now instead of telling us the rates are dropping, they're telling us they want more money and they're encouraging us to read the insert in our power bill detailing the reason for their rate increase. would not a simple insert in the power bill alone be sufficient enough to alert the public about what is truly driving our rates? all the needless tv and radio air time is what is driving our rates--i, for one, would really like to know exactly how much i and the rest of the public at large has paid for this advertising campaign of theirs.

Transaction ID: 11202346.47  
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**From:** Ed Howell  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 20, 2003 3:10 PM  
**To:** Jean Jewell; Ed Howell; Gene Fadness; Tonya Clark  
**Subject:** Comment acknowledgement

WWW Form Submission:

Thursday, November 20, 2003  
3:09:53 PM

Case: IPC-E-03-13  
Name: Patricia Williams  
Street\_Address: 7633 W. Prince  
City: Boise  
State: ID  
ZIP: 83714  
Home\_Telephone: 208-853-9029  
E-Mail: tap@rmci.net  
Company:

mailing\_list\_yes\_no: no

Comment\_description: I have no objection to the Idaho Power rate increase request, but I strongly object to their proposed 400 percent service charge increase (from \$2.51/mo. to \$10.00/mo). I think it's very unreasonable and designed to make their rate increase look more reasonable. I hope the Commission looks at this very carefully.

Transaction ID: 11201509.53  
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**From:** Front  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 20, 2003 1:02 PM  
**To:** Jean Jewell  
**Subject:** FW: Complaint acknowledgement

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From: Ed Howell  
Sent: Thursday, November 20, 2003 12:42 PM  
To: Front; Beverly Barker; Ed Howell; Tonya Clark  
Subject: Complaint acknowledgement

WWW Form Submission:

Thursday, November 20, 2003  
12:42:26 PM

Name: XENIA WILLIAMS  
Street Address: 98 NO. 100 W.  
City: JEROME  
State: ID  
ZIP: 83338  
Home Telephone: 208-3247613  
Work Telephone: RETIRED  
E-Mail: XENIAWILLIAMS@WEBTV.NET  
Home Business: Home  
Business Name:  
Business Street Address:  
Business Phone:  
Complaint Company: IDAHO POWER  
Local Provider:  
Contacted utility: No

Complaint description: I UNDERSTAND THE PUC HAS BEEN REQUESTED BY IDAHO POWER FOR A RATE INCREASE. TODAY, AND RECENTLY OTHER DAYS, ARTICLES HAVE APPEARED IN THE NEWSPAPER STATING IDAHO POWER IS REPORTING EXCESSIVE INCOME. THE PEOPLE IN IDAHO HAVE NO EXCESSIVE INCOME. WE ARE HIT BY INCREASES ALL THE TIME. BUT ENOUGH IS ENOUGH. IDACORP IS WEALTHY AND IDAHO POWER REPORTS HIGH INCOME SOI HOPE YOU DON'T APPROVE THEIR REQUEST., THE PEOPLE JUST SIMPLY CAN'T AFFORD IT. LOTS OF BANKRUPTCIES REPORTED DAILY. PRESCRIPTIONS ARE FAR TOO EXCESSIVE IN PRICE. FOOD HAS GONE UP. GAS HAS GONE UP (IDAHO CHARGES MORE FOR GAS THAN ALMOST ANY OTHER STATE). PEOPLE HERE CANNOT AFFORD TO MAKE IDAHO POWER ANY RICHER.

Transaction ID: 11201242.26  
Referred by: <http://www.puc.state.id.us/scripts/polyform.dll/cons>  
User Address: 209.240.205.61  
User Hostname: 209.240.205.61

Nov 21, 2003

Dear Folks

Thank you for considering my two cents on the rate increase Idacorp proposes.

I was happy with your decision a few years ago to include an incentive for conservation in your tiered rates for residential rates. Alas it only lasted one year.

Now what has me irked is this proposed service charge increase from \$2.51 to 10.00

I would rather see you include this fixed cost in a pro-rated or tiered base rate so that the idea of the more you use the more you pay, a progressive idea is engendered in the populace so we can get back to a more conservation oriented energy policy.

I have been a customer of Idaho Power for 20 yrs I contribute to the Green power program and I see no reason why conservation can't be the Utilities Commission's mandate to counter Idacorp's lack of any program to provide incentives to reduce use of power, and thus increase rates.

Thank you Glen Shone  
9016 Pattenon Ave  
Meridian, ID

#147955373

# B.J. Rentals

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2003 NOV 25 AM 8:38

4950 Yellowstone \* Pocatello, ID 83202 \* (208) 237-1266

UTILITIES COMMISSION

Dear Sirs:

I am writing in reference to Idaho Power's Notice of application to increase rates. Of course we fall into the second highest rate category and as a rental management company, that can cost us several thousand dollars a year.

We are not in a position in these economic times to ask for an increase in rents, residentially or, especially in our Commercial properties, many of which we pay power costs for.

However had the 21% raise may seem to us, the Customer Charge changing from \$2.51 per month to \$10.00 per month is what is horrifying to us.

We have 49 separate billings to deal with. Some are on Landlord acct. and when empty, we have to pay all costs for electricity and some we pay all the time anyway. This is Substantiated!  
Please, don't give them this increase.

Thank you.

Becky Robinson

Springfield, Idaho  
Nov. 17, 2003

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2003 NOV 24 AM 9:36

IDAHO PUBLIC  
UTILITIES COMMISSION

Idaho Public Utilities Commission  
472 W. Washington St.  
Boise, Idaho

Dear Sirs;

I am writing concerning a proposed rate increase by Idaho Power Company. They claim to have added 100,000 customers since 1993. That means they had 300,000 customers prior to that date. I am wondering why all of these new additions have not generated enough income to cover much of the cost of their improvements. They also give the impression that they have not had a rate increase in the past decade. Can this be true? My residential bill has shown many rate increases including the strange three tiered bill of two winters ago.

A 19 % increase in rates is a large increase. Raising the rates during summer months will be hard for Idaho irrigators that pump from the ground. We have seen our daily average temperature increase the past several years which has increased the demand for air conditioning all over Idaho.

Electrical power is as necessary for our lives now as the basic shelter and food. I hope you will be very conservative in granting them additional rate increases. Keep in mind that Ida Corp was listed on the Fortune 500 last year and so they must be doing quite well compared to the rest of the economy.

Those of us who live in all electric houses shouldn't throw stones but we are concerned about paying higher rates when we live on a fixed income.

Thank you,

Joyce Claunch  
Box 85  
Springfield, Idaho

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2003 NOV 21 AM 8:21  
IDAHO PUBLIC  
UTILITIES COMMISSION

Kent/Loretta Kirk  
2410 Kirk Lane  
Payette, Id 83661

November 20, 2003

Idaho PUC Com.  
472 W. Washington  
Boise, Id 83720

Dear PUC Commissioners;

We wish to go on record of being greatly opposed to Idaho Power's request to the IPUC for an approval rate adjustment of the current rates.

We are greatly concerned with Idaho Power's suggested increase in electricity costs for farm irrigation. Under present farming costs compared to market return, farmers can not absorb any additional costs and stay in business. Farmers are already cutting their expenses to the limit and we expect Idaho Power to do the same under the present economical environment.

Our rent on the farm stays the same but all the expenses (taxes, water, power and new pumps) all keep raising. We are land poor. One of the reasons we are afloat right now is because we had to leave our apples hang in '98 (China flooded the market) and now we've sold that high ground off because we can't afford to pump water to it. Please do what you can in this matter.

Sincerely,

*Kent & Loretta Kirk*