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Jean Jewell

From: Ed Howell
Sent: Tuesday, March 30, 2004 1:14 PM
To: Jean Jewell; Ed Howell; Gene Fadness; Tonya Clark
Subject: Comment acknowledgement

WWW Form Submission:

Tuesday, March 30, 2004
1:14:08 PM

Case: IPC-E-03-13
Name: A.C. LIKES
Street Address: PO BOX 572
City: GLENN'S FERRY
State: ID
ZIP: 83623
Home Telephone: 208-366-2518
E-Mail: aclikes@earthlink.net
Company: Idaho Power
mailing_list_yes_no: yes

Comment_description: I do not believe Idaho Power's reason for asking for a 17.7% increase. They have a new gas fired plant in Mt Home sitting idle, want to fund a second one there also and will sell all their new "surplus" out of State, at Idaho users expense. Their track record stinks. A year ago they wanted all of us to pay for their gambling losses in the power market. It is time for the PUC to just plain say NO! to Idaho Power and their out of State owners who want a dollar first and care less about Idaho residents.

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12:57:11 PM

Case: IPC-E-03-13
Name: Dean Alderman
Street Address: 5928 Plantation Lane
City: Boise
State: ID
ZIP: 83703
Home Telephone: 208-853-0349
E-Mail: dnoalderman@icehouse.net
Company: Idaho Power

mailing_list_yes_no: no

Comment_description: Before increases are granted to Idaho Power, much more needs to be done with respect to conservation. My neighbors regularly run their A/C day and night from spring through fall. This is not an uncommon event in Idaho. Enter many homes in this valley and you will find the temperatures in the high 60s or low 70s.

Those of us who moderate our use of AC with settings no lower than 78 should not have to pay as much per kwh as those who so recklessly squander limited resources. I ask that the PUC consider building into all power related rate structures clear and substantial incentives to regularly reward those of us who really work at conservation. Let the big residential users pay the most per kwh!

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Tuesday, March 30, 2004
9:52:44 AM

Case: IPC-E-03-13
Name: Linda Claude Brown
Street Address: 2184 Middlefield Rd.
City: Boise
State: ID
ZIP: 83704

Home Telephone: 208/375-5450
E-Mail: brown.john.a.n@att.net
Company: Idaho Power

mailing_list_yes_no: no
Comment_description: We trust your commission staff when recommending that Idaho Power only be allowed a 3.06% rate increase rather than their demanding an average 17.7% rate increase.

It seems illogical for a company to take money from customers, using it to meet its needs, but later demanding MORE money to cover what other companies would write off as under just regular expenses. Please stick to your guns and allow them only what your experts have determined is necessary.

But, alas, my hopes are dimming! After seeing Qwest disregard your rulings and run to the Legislature to try and change the rules, perhaps Idaho Power will too?! Then what is the purpose of having a PUC?!

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From: Ed Howell
Sent: Tuesday, March 30, 2004 9:50 AM
To: Jean Jewell; Ed Howell; Gene Fadness; Tonya Clark
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WWW Form Submission:

Tuesday, March 30, 2004
9:49:49 AM

Case: IPC-E-03-13
Name: Susan Holladay
Street Address: 12019 W Rader Dr
City: Boise
State: ID
ZIP: 83713

Home Telephone: 2086721085
E-Mail: eadiepan@earthlink.net
Company: Idaho Power

mailing_list_yes_no: yes

Comment description: Rate increases (modest ones) seem to be as inevitable as death and taxes. However, raising the service charge is an unnecessary, regressive response to a temporary problem. I left California because I could not even afford to run my air conditioning in the summer even sparingly. Please do not let this happen in Idaho. Idaho Power needs to be reined in. Perhaps an efficiency study is in order. Whatever, I try to conserve as much as possible and all I get for my efforts is higher utility costs.

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Jean Jewell

From: Ed Howell
Sent: Tuesday, March 30, 2004 9:38 AM
To: Jean Jewell; Ed Howell; Gene Fadness; Tonya Clark
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WWW Form Submission:

Tuesday, March 30, 2004
9:38:27 AM

Case: IPC-E-03-13

Name: Jim & Jana Messerli

Street Address: P.O.Box 772

City: Cascade

State: ID

ZIP: 83611

Home Telephone: 382-6701

E-Mail: messerli@ctcweb.net

Company: Idaho Power

mailing_list_yes_no: yes

Comment_description: We realize the costs keep going up for Idaho Power; however 17.7% increase seems fairly steep! We are retired and on a fixed income so would like to see the increase much smaller!! Thanks, Jim & Jana Messerli

Transaction ID: 330938.27

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To: Jean Jewell; Ed Howell; Gene Fadness; Tonya Clark
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WWW Form Submission:

Tuesday, March 30, 2004
8:55:46 AM

Case: lpc-e-03-13
Name: Pat Corley
Street Address: 3336 Jackie Ln
City: Boise
State: Idaho
ZIP: 83704

Home Telephone: 208-375-1744
E-Mail: Maxipat@velocitus.net
Company: Idaho Power

mailing_list_yes_no: yes

Comment description: Natural gas got their hike last winter and it nearly broke me even with help from the state, I live on 718 dollars a month and that is it, no way of earning any more money as I have heart disease and lung disease. Now Idaho power wants a hike, do I have to give up eating? Their needs to be a more equatable way of providing these services to a 68 year old citizen who has worked her whole life.

Transaction ID: 330855.46
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To: Jean Jewell; Ed Howell; Gene Fadness; Tonya Clark
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WWW Form Submission:

Tuesday, March 30, 2004
7:49:09 AM

Case:

Name: Kelly R Davis
Street Address: 9054 Maple Hill Dr
City: Boise
State: ID
ZIP: 83709

Home Telephone: 208-377-9763
E-Mail: krdav@homeinternet.net

Company: Idaho Power
mailing_list_yes_no: yes

Comment_description: I am weary of the ongoing pressure that Idaho Power puts on the PUC and the paying consumer.

The current question regarding a 17+% increase is not justifiable.

Idaho Power has proven that they can not be trusted with key management decisions. How can a company that recently has paid millions of dollars as bonuses and then a couple of years later wants the consumer to pick up the tab on expansion. I don't get it.

Also, Idaho Power already annual raises rates thanks to the circuit braker that the PUC gave them several years of ago where thye can raise the rates in any year based on the snow fall. Maybe it would be good to have an independent source do the measuring and reporting. I just don't trust this company.

Transaction ID: 330749.8

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WWW Form Submission:

Tuesday, March 30, 2004
7:48:05 AM

Case: IPC-E-03-13
Name: Galen D. Gafford
Street_Address: 3521 South Kimball Avenue
City: Caldwell
State: Idaho
ZIP: 83605

Home_Telephone: 208-459-7350
E-Mail: gdgafford@peoplepc.com
Company: Idaho Power Co

mailing_list_yes_no: no

Comment_description: I do not feel that Idaho Power should get an 18% price increase on their power.

Looks like they are getting greedy. What Idaho Power needs is some competition.

If some one else came in, you would see power rate fall faster than the trade center.

Natural gas is up and out of line, Gasoline is up, now Idaho power wants to stick to us. I am retired and my Social security isn't up 18%. Please don't let them raise the power.

Transaction ID: 330748.5

Referred by: <http://www.puc.state.id.us/scripts/polyform.dll/ipuc>

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From: Ed Howell
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To: Jean Jewell; Ed Howell; Gene Fadness; Tonya Clark
Subject: Comment acknowledgement

WWW Form Submission:

Tuesday, March 30, 2004
7:37:22 AM

Case: IPC-E-03-13
Name: Thomas Thor
Street Address: 2604 Muskrat Ave
City: Nampa
State: ID
ZIP: 83687
Home Telephone: 467-0926
E-Mail: ta_thor@netzero.com
Company: Idaho Power
Comment_description: I am in agreement to the average rate increase of 3.06%.

I do not agree to a request of a 17.7% increase in power rates. As a worker/homeowner in the Treasure Valley I am continuously being hit with increase after increases from gas pricing to medical/Rx costs. I have not received a wage increase in over 3 years. How can I keep affording the "increases" all these companies want when I don't even have a wage increase to offset them?

If I have this issue, how about others who are less fortunate than I? I'm all for obtaining a profit but c'mon, why bilk every last cent out of your customer base? Isn't the Treasure Valley providing additional customers to offset the cost?

Thomas Thor.

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User Hostname: 137.201.242.130

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Tuesday, March 30, 2004
7:08:00 AM

Case: IPC-E-03-13
Name: Steve Shigeno
Street Address: 2268 N. Wingate Pl
City: Meridian
State: Id
ZIP: 83642
Home Telephone: 208.888.1051
E-Mail: ssshigeno@aol.com
Company: Idaho Power
mailing_list_yes_no: no

Comment_description: In regards to Idaho Powers request to raise rates. My only comment is where did all the money go that they made a couple years ago when we were having rolling blackouts, and they were selling extra power to California? If I remember correctly it went to the parent company, so why can't the parent company pay for these costs? By requesting this rate increase, Idaho Power is in a win-win situation... If they make money, they pipe it to their parent company, and if they are short of money, they just raise rates. They are never held accountable for any of their costs.

Thank you Steve Shigeno

Transaction ID: 330708.0
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Tuesday, March 30, 2004
3:34:29 PM

Case: IPC-E-03-13
Name: tarleton
Street Address: 1517 N. Dunsmuir Way
City: Eagle
State: ID
ZIP: 83616
Home Telephone: 208-939-2135
E-Mail: jactar@cableone.net
Company: Idaho Power

Comment description: Management of this company made some bad decisions when they got into power futures trading, and boasted about the short term gains, paying the trader an unreasonably large bonus, that is now gone. Now they want the rate payers to cover the resulting losses that were sure to come. That is not the way business operates. The customer does not have to eat the results of poor decisions, if he has a choice of providers.

Management and the directors work for the shareholders, who should control business decisions through election of responsible directors. The shareholders are therefore ultimately responsible for the outcome of this debacle and they should absorb the losses through having to forego dividends. If this were to happen, management would have to think long and hard about getting into speculative ventures with the shareholders money. Since the ratepayers had no part in this ill fated venture, and they have no alternate source of electricity, they should be protected by the PUC and the shareholders from irresponsible actions by management and the directors who take unreasonable risks trying to make a quick gain.

Do not allow any rate increase that exceeds thr increase in the cost of living index for Idaho.

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User Hostname: 24.119.174.151

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From: Ed Howell
Sent: Monday, March 29, 2004 3:15 AM
To: Jean Jewell; Ed Howell; Gene Fadness; Tonya Clark
Subject: Comment acknowledgement

WWW Form Submission:

Monday, March 29, 2004
3:14:34 AM

Case: IPC-E-03-13
Name: Dale Michaelson
Street Address: 3929 Rast
City: American Falls
State: Idaho
ZIP: 83211
Home Telephone: 208-226-5772
E-Mail: boondox@dcdi.net
Company: Idaho Power

mailing_list_yes_no: yes

Comment_description: Sirs: I'M still sumwhat baffled as to the different percentages of increases in the different schedules. To increase one over another, are you not changing rate schedules? As an irrigator , even the 15% increase in "KW base rate"will be a burden on my farm. To raise the demand charge at all--will probably put me out of bussiness.

Idaho Power made a business venture:ie power buyout in 2001, why was the rate payer responsible for repayment? Was that not a venture by the business to make money out side Idaho, if yes, then the stock holders should question their leasership. To ask for 11% return, in this current economy, on such manuvers, and others, is irresponsible.

To me, it likes that I go to JackPot,Nev. to increase my net return, knowing that if I fail, the rate payers will pick up the tab.

I thank the commission's staff for finding the irresponsible amounts in the proposal thus far.PLEASE be very mindful for the Sate Of Idaho in granting any increases,I truley believe the states economy,and furture, is in your hands. Thank You

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Jean Jewell

From: Ed Howell
Sent: Saturday, March 27, 2004 8:56 PM
To: Jean Jewell; Ed Howell; Gene Fadness; Tonya Clark
Subject: Comment acknowledgement

WWW Form Submission:

Saturday, March 27, 2004
8:55:37 PM

Case: IPC-E-03-13
Name: Norman E. Anderson
Street Address: 1253 Cow Horse Drive
City: Kuna
State: ID
ZIP: 83634-1429
Home Telephone: 208-362-0730
E-Mail: normaneanderson@msn.com

Company: Idaho Power
mailing_list_yes_no: yes

Comment_description: The rates Idaho Power is proposing in this case are totally unreasonable and way out of touch with the reality of the cost of living adjustments that ratepayers have seen in recent years. Idaho Power separates its rate increases into customer groups as if they are independent. However, many of us fall into several groups and the rate increases have a compounding effect. I'm a residential customer, a irrigation customer, and an industrial customer as part of the management staff of a large industrial company. And all the other groups receiving increases will no doubt pass their increases on to consumers in the form of higher prices. The citizens are at the bottom of the food chain, and we can't afford these rate increases.

Idaho Power has advertised that it has been hurt by having to serve about 100,000 more customers since its last base rate increase. I don't see why this is bad. Every other business would delight if its customer base increased so much. In my analysis, these customers paid Idaho Power at least \$30 million dollars to be connected to its wires, and they pay monthly electric bills like the rest of us. So what's so bad about that?

It seems like much of the motivation for this rate increase is to make up for the loss of millions of dollars when IdaCorp had to get out of the energy trading business. When times were good on the unregulated side of the corporation, Idaho Power wasn't asking for rate increases. But as soon as the price of energy dropped and IdaCorp couldn't make huge profits from energy trading, IdaCorp got out of the energy trading business and refocused its effort on making Idaho Power more profitable. Part of its strategy was to lay the case for a base rate increase. In so doing, Idaho Power entered into a TV blist to try to make the public feel sorry for it having to serve more customers and spend money to upgrade its system. The hope was that people would buy its outlandish rate request that is based on throwing a lot of "fat" into its cost structure as has been uncovered by the PUC Staff. But, we aren't buying Idaho Power's story, and we appeal to the Commission to do the right thing for the ratepayers and come up with a more reasonable solution as has been proposed by the PUC Staff.

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To: Jean Jewell; Ed Howell; Gene Fadness; Tonya Clark
Subject: Comment acknowledgement

WWW Form Submission:

Saturday, March 27, 2004
7:45:00 PM

Case: IPC-E-03-13
Name: Charles H. Lehrman
Street Address: 4047 N 1600 E
City: Buhl
State: ID
ZIP: 83316
Home Telephone: (208) 543-5480
E-Mail: clehrman@mindspring.com

Company: Idaho Power
mailing_list_yes no: yes

Comment description: In regard to Idaho power Company's request for a general rate increase: I strongly oppose any rate increases at this time. We are on a retirement fixed income and our rates for our all electric home are really all we can afford. I feel that the only reason for a rate increase is so the investors in Idaho Power stock will get higher dividends and the stock will look better on the market. Also, the extremely high salary and bonus payments for the upper echelon in IdaCorp are obscene. I urge you to say no to Idaho Power Company's request at this time. Thank you for the chance to comment.
Charles Lehrman

Transaction ID: 3271945.0
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Subject: Comment acknowledgement

WWW Form Submission:

Thursday, March 25, 2004
12:12:27 AM

Case: IPC-E-03-13
Name: Dawn C. Hendricks
Street Address: PO Box 453, 1902 Hwy. 95
City: Council
State: ID
ZIP: 83612

Home Telephone: 208-253-4768
E-Mail: shine@ctcweb.net

Company: Idaho Power
mailing_list_yes_no: yes

Comment description: I oppose the rate hike for Idaho Power of 19.9% for residential service. It would make my bill rise to almost \$200 a year. It would take almost all of my COLA for the year as a Senior on Social Security. It looks like the proposal of 19.9% is a stab at getting alot of money all at once for fear it will be hard to get smaller increases in the next few years. What sounds fair to me is a raise for residential rates by 2.5% and a customer service charge raised from \$2.51 to \$3.00

Transaction ID: 325012.27
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WWW Form Submission:

Tuesday, March 30, 2004
9:56:58 AM

Case: IPC-E-03-13
Name: Larry T. McKinney
Street Address: 2818 Bannock Ave
City: Nampa
State: ID
ZIP: 83686

Home Telephone: (208)463-0345
E-Mail: landsmckinney@cs.com
Company: Idaho Power Co.

mailing_list_yes_no: yes

Comment_description: Nobody wants to see their utility bills increase, but I think IPCO deserves more than than the PUC staff recommends.
IpcO has huge costs in building new lines, substations, rights-of-way and invironmental issues.
I feel they should receive between 12 and 15 percent.

Why aren't these hearings more publicized when Intermountain Gas wants to raise their rates?

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Jean Jewell

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To: Jean Jewell
Subject: FW: This is a comment on IPC rate case

-----Original Message-----

From: Ed Howell
Sent: Thursday, March 25, 2004 8:14 AM
To: Front; Beverly Barker; Ed Howell; Tonya Clark
Subject: Complaint acknowledgement

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Name: Carlos and Trina Christensen
Street Address: 1583 W. 200 N.
City: Blackfoot
State: Idaho
ZIP: 83221
Home Telephone: 684-3610
Work Telephone:
E-Mail: catchristensen1@juno.com
Home Business: Both
Business Name: Rock Solid Gelbvieh
Business Street Address: same
Business Phone: same
Complaint Company: Idaho Power
Local Provider:
Contacted utility: yes

Complaint description: Why does Idaho Power want to increase the rate they charge to the farmer for the use of electrical power? Farmers are not the ones causing the increased demand on electrical power in Idaho. Reports have shown that the new homes being built and new businesses coming into Idaho are the ones increasing the demand on the Idaho Power supply. We are bothered by this increase to the farmer and feel that we are being dealt with unfairly. Thank you, Carlos and Trina Christensen

Transaction ID: 325814.3
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