

DECISION MEMORANDUM

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FROM: CECELIA A. GASSNER

DATE: OCTOBER 19, 2005

SUBJECT: IDAHO POWER'S LOW INCOME WEATHERIZATION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM REPORT

In Order No. 29505 issued in Idaho Power's last general rate case, the Commission directed Idaho Power to file an annual report on its Low Income Weatherization Assistance (LIWA) program. In the attached letter the Company seeks permission to file its report for 2004 along with its 2005 LIWA report on April 1, 2006.

THE LETTER

As set forth in Order No. 29505, the Company was directed to file an annual report on its LIWA program. In addition, the Commission directed the Company to notify the Commission of what date would be most appropriate for such a filing. On July 16, 2004, the Company notified the Commission that April 1 of each year would be appropriate.

As explained in further detail in the attached letter, the Company inadvertently failed to file a report on April 1, 2005.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the Company's request to file its 2004 and 2005 LIWA program reports on April 1, 2006 be approved.

COMMISSION DECISION

Does the Commission approve the Company's request to file its 2004 and 2005 program reports on April 1, 2006?



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RE: Annual LIWA Report

Dear Commissioners:

In Order No. 29505 (the Order), issued in Idaho Power's last general rate case, Case No. IPC-E-03-13; the Commission directed Idaho Power to file an annual Low Income Weatherization Assistance (LIWA) program report. In addition, the Order directed Idaho Power to notify the Commission within 60 days of the date of the Order of the appropriate date to file the report in order to provide the best available data. On July 16, 2004 Idaho Power notified the Commission that the report would be filed by April 1 of each year. Due to our oversight, Idaho Power has not filed the above-referenced annual report on the LIWA program for the 2004 program year. This oversight was unintentional and we have taken steps to ensure that the Company meets the April 1 filing deadline in the future.

Following the issuance of Order No. 29505, Idaho Power entered into negotiations with CAPAI to determine several aspects of the LIWA program design. On October 1, 2004 Idaho Power filed a report with the Commission detailing and explaining the LIWA program changes that resulted from those negotiations. Once the program changes were negotiated, Idaho Power discussed the program provisions and revised funding amounts with each of the individual agencies. The various agencies then needed time to adjust their processes and staffing in order to manage the additional funding which resulted from the Order. Consequently, the second half of 2004 was one of transition for both Idaho Power and the agencies. As a result, the data that would have been reported in the April 1, 2005 report would have largely reflected activity under the old program structure. That being said, Idaho Power respectfully requests that the Commission allow the Company to include in the April 1, 2006 annual LIWA report the program details for both 2004 and 2005.

In conclusion, I apologize for missing the April deadline and want to assure you that Idaho Power takes the Commission's orders seriously. Please feel free to contact me directly if you have any questions or would like to discuss this issue.

Cordially,

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