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Jean Jewell

From: Front
Sent: Friday, April 29, 2005 8:34 AM
To: Jean Jewell
Subject: FW: Complaint acknowledgement

IPC-E-05-15

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

From: Ed Howell
Sent: Thursday, April 28, 2005 11:17 PM
To: Front; Beverly Barker; Ed Howell; Tonya Clark
Subject: Complaint acknowledgement

WWW Form Submission:

Thursday, April 28, 2005
10:16:49 PM

Name: David Benson
Street_Address: 14460 Sand Hollow Road
City: Caldwell
State: Idaho
ZIP: 83607
Home_Telephone:
Work_Telephone: 2084552270
E-Mail: onebenson@earthlink.net
Home_Business: Both
Business_Name: David Benson Insurance Inc
Business_Street_Address: 14460 Sand Holllow Road
Business_Phone: 455-2270
Complaint_Company: Idaho Power
Local_Provider:
Contacted_utility: yes
Complaint_description: Do not give Idaho Power the rate increases they are asking for.
Someone has to put a stop to all the increases.
A poor excuse and a poor time to ask for an increase.
Enough!

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From: Randy Lobb
Sent: Friday, April 29, 2005 8:14 AM
To: Jean Jewell
Cc: Gene Fadness
Subject: FW: Case # IPC-E-05-15

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From: SCOTT FREE [mailto:SFREE@LIFETOUCH.COM]
Sent: Friday, April 29, 2005 7:58 AM
To: Randy Lobb
Subject: Case # IPC-E-05-15

I tried to use your comment submission form from your website, but it would not work. Please see my comments below regarding IPC-E-05-15 and/or forward to the appropriate person(s).

My understanding of the issues around Idaho Power's request for rate increase is simple, but a 6.3% annual increase is unreasonably high, particularly when 4.1% would be an ongoing adjustment. We are in a time of low inflation and resulting nominal wage increases. An increase to Idaho Power is okay, but please reduce it to a reasonable level.

Thank you.

D.S. Free

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From: Ed Howell
Sent: Wednesday, April 27, 2005 11:13 PM
To: Jean Jewell; Ed Howell; Gene Fadness; Tonya Clark
Subject: Comment acknowledgement

WWW Form Submission:

Wednesday, April 27, 2005
10:13:21 PM

Case:

Name: Einar Norton
Street Address: 2072 Crystal Way
City: Boise
State: ID
ZIP: 83706
Home Telephone: 208 433 1759
E-Mail: einarnorton@msn.com
Company: Idaho Power
mailing_list_yes_no: yes
Comment description: Dear PUC.

First I want to say thanks for a thankless job.

Today I received a flyer from Idaho power explaining the coming rate increases. I appreciate their good communication.

However, there were two areas of I would like to address and find out from you if they are correct.

1) The flyer indicates that "... there will be an average increase of 6.3 percent on an annual basis begining June 1, 2005"

Is that correct? Will we have a 6.3% increase annually? As you know, that is way beyond the rate of inflation. It is higher than even Engergy Service Contractors are willing to budget in this state. Even Idaho Powers own buyback program has only a 2.3% escalation rate.

How could you have allowed this high of an annual escalation rate?

2) The flyer indicates the rate in June will be \$0.006039 per kilowatt? Power has never been this cheap. Is this a printing error? If not, then I am ok with the 6% escalation.

3) Why was the graduated energy consumption rate dropped? I would like to see a base rate for the first 800kw then a higher rate for the use above that. The effect would be that people would conserve to remain in the lower bracket. Those with big houses and run the AC all the time would simply pay a higher rate in part because they could afford it. Why was this plan dropped?

4) Do you respond to email comments or do they go into a black hole?

Thanks a bunch.

Einar Norton

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IDAHO PUBLIC
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Idaho Public Utilities Commission
PO Box 83720
Boise, ID 83720-0074

Dear Members of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission,

As a pastor who has lived and ministered in the Payette area for 14 years, I am writing to express my deep concern over the requested Idaho Power Annual Power Cost Adjustment increase, and the requested increase related to the Bennett Mountain Power Plant.

Idaho Power is an investor owned utility which is part of IDACORP, Inc. IDACORP reported 2004 earnings of \$1.90 per share, a \$0.68 increase from 2003's \$1.22 per share. IDACORP's net income for the fourth quarter of 2004 was 14.3 million, compared to net income of 3.8 million for the same period a year earlier. IDACORP's annual net income was 73.0 million for 2004.

It appears to me that IDACORP is continuing to make income for it's investors in spite of our drought and other factors. Therefore, I would question the need for the Idaho Public Utilities Commission to grant additional income by way of these increases to Idaho Power.

Businesses, including Idaho Power, (IDACORP) need to expect that there will be fluctuations in income over the years. It is true that low water years reduce the income making potential of Idaho Power, but high water years increase that potential as well. Idaho power needs to reduce its spending, just as individual families must during time of reduced income and rely on income generated during high water years to carry them during times of reduced income.

An increase for residential customers will create financial hardship for many of the families in our area. I am especially concerned about the elderly on fixed incomes, single parents and those in the lower income bracket. As well, an increase for our church, which is considered a business, will impact our ability to minister to the needs of those in our community.

IDACORP is showing increased income for its shareholders, and granting Idaho Power these increases would simple increase the profits of IDACORP at the expense of many families that are struggling. I do not believe it is wise or warranted to grant them the requested increases.

Sincerely,

Robert Zaklan

Rev. Robert Zaklan

Bible Baptist Church
118 South Main Street
Payette, ID 83661

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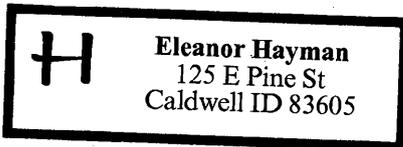
Gentlemen:

In your debate regarding another increase in Idaho Power rates, please consider those of us on fixed incomes and the many low income people that Idaho Power serves. We are being very financially burdened by all of these increases. Is it really necessary for a public utility to become such a burden on so many people?

I would ask that this rate increase not be granted and feel that there must be some places where measures can be taken on the part of the utility company to allow progress without penalizing those who can least afford it. Just say "NO".

Thank you,

Eleanor M Hayman
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