

BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF THE INVESTIGATION)
OF APPROPRIATE RATEMAKING) **CASE NO. IPC-E-05-26**
TREATMENT OF IDAHO POWER)
COMPANY'S SO2 ALLOWANCE SALE) **NOTICE OF INTERVENTION**
PROCEEDS) **DEADLINE**
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) **NOTICE OF SCHEDULING**
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) **ORDER NO. 29953**
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BACKGROUND

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that on June 9, 2005, Idaho Power Company (Idaho Power, Company) filed an Application requesting: (1) blanket authority to sell surplus sulfur dioxide (SO2) allowances and (2) an accounting order to provide for recording any sale(s) of such allowances. Case No. IPC-E-05-20. The Company's Application also suggested that a determination of ratemaking treatment for the proceeds be made at a later date.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that on August 22, 2005, the Idaho Public Utilities Commission (Commission) approved the Company's Application. Order No. 29852. The Commission, while reserving the review of the reasonableness of each sale, granted Idaho Power's request for blanket authority to sell SO2 emissions allowances and approved the accounting treatment proposed by the Company, on an interim basis, until such time as the Commission determines the appropriate ratemaking treatment of the proceeds from the sale of the SO2 allowances. *Id.* The Company was ordered to file a report with the Commission within 60 days of the receipt of any SO2 proceeds. *Id.* Additionally, the Commission ordered that a separate docket be opened for Staff to conduct workshops and make a recommendation to the Commission regarding the appropriate ratemaking treatment of SO2 proceeds. *Id.*

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Commission previously noticed two workshops, which were held on November 7 and November 23, 2005, respectively. In addition to Commission Staff and the Company, a representative of the Industrial Customers of Idaho

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Power and a representative of the Northwest Energy Coalition attended the two workshops. The parties were unable to reach agreement upon the ratemaking treatment of the proceeds.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that on December 9, 2005, Idaho Power filed its Initial Report of Proceeds from the sale of SO2 allowances. The Company reported having received proceeds from the sale of 60,000 SO2 emission allowances, with total net proceeds of \$57,055,000.

DEADLINE FOR INTERVENTION

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that **persons desiring to intervene in this matter must file a Petition to Intervene** with the Commission pursuant to the Commission's Rules of Procedure 72 and 73, IDAPA 31.01.01.072, 31.01.01.073. Any Petition to Intervene must be filed **on or before Monday, January 31, 2006**. Persons seeking intervenor status shall also provide the Commission Secretary with their electronic mail addresses to facilitate future communications in this matter.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that persons desiring to present their views without parties' rights of participation are not required to intervene and may present their comments without prior notification to the Commission or the parties.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Commission Secretary shall issue a Notice of Parties after the deadline for intervention has passed. Depending on the number of intervenors, the Commission may direct that pleadings and testimony be filed electronically with the other parties.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that all proceedings in this matter will be held pursuant to the Commission's authority and jurisdiction under Title 61 of the Idaho Code. All proceedings in this matter will be conducted pursuant to the Commission's Rules of Procedure, IDAPA 31.01.01.000 *et seq.*

NOTICE OF SCHEDULING CONFERENCE

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that **an informal scheduling conference is set for FEBRUARY 23, 2006, AT 11:00 A.M. IN THE COMMISSION HEARING ROOM, 472 WEST WASHINGTON, BOISE, IDAHO.** After the Notice of Parties is issued the Commission anticipates that the parties will informally devise a recommended schedule to process this case, and if agreed upon will submit such schedule at or before the February 23,

2006, scheduling conference. The Commissioners will not attend this informal scheduling conference.

ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that all persons desiring to intervene in this matter must file a Petition to Intervene with the Commission on or before Monday, January 31, 2006. Additionally, an informal scheduling conference shall be set for February 23, 2006, at 11:00 a.m.

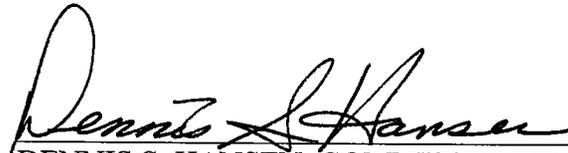
DONE by Order of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission at Boise, Idaho this 12th day of January 2006.



PAUL KJELLANDER, PRESIDENT

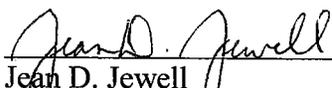


MARSHA H. SMITH, COMMISSIONER



DENNIS S. HANSEN, COMMISSIONER

ATTEST:



Jean D. Jewell
Commission Secretary

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