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VIA HAND DELIVERY

Jean D. Jewell, Secretary
Idaho Public Utilities Commission
472 West Washington Street
Boise, Idaho 83702

Re: Case No. *IPC-E-06-10*
Cassia Wind Farm, LLC – Application

Dear Ms. Jewell:

Enclosed for filing in the above matter are an original and seven (7) copies of Idaho Power Company's Application.

Very truly yours,

Julia A. Hilton

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Enclosures

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Attorneys for Idaho Power Company

BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION
OF IDAHO POWER COMPANY FOR
INCLUSION OF OMITTED PRICING
INFORMATION IN THE FIRM ENERGY
SALES AGREEMENT BETWEEN IDAHO
POWER COMPANY AND CASSIA WIND
FARM, LLC.

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In accordance with *Idaho Code* § 61-503 and RP 052 and RP 201, Idaho Power Company ("Idaho Power" or "Company") hereby respectfully applies to the Idaho Public Utilities Commission ("Commission") for an order including additional pricing information in the Firm Energy Sales Agreement ("Agreement") between Idaho Power and Cassia Wind Farm, LLC ("Cassia Wind") whereby Cassia Wind sells and Idaho Power purchases electric energy generated by the Cassia Wind project. Idaho Power initially sought to provide this information to the Commission via a letter. However, Commission Staff requested that the Company submit this information via an application.

In support of this Application, Idaho Power represents as follows:

I. INTRODUCTION

1. On April 20, 2006, in Case No. IPC-E-06-10, Idaho Power filed an application with the Commission for approval of the Agreement. The Commission approved the Agreement on June 30, 2006, in Order No. 30086.

2. The terms of the Agreement state that the Agreement will be in effect for 20 years, beginning upon the project's Operation Date. See pages 6-7 of the Agreement filed in Case No. IPC-E-06-10. Due to delays, the Operation Date did not occur, and therefore the term of the Agreement did not begin, until 27 months after the anticipated Operation Date. The Agreement contains pricing information for the 20 years following the Operation Date. However, because that Operation Date was delayed, the 20-year pricing schedule within the Agreement does not extend through the full term of the Agreement.

3. In April 2013, Cassia Wind notified Idaho Power that the 20-year pricing schedule did not extend for the full term of the Agreement. The pricing contained in the Agreement is based upon the standard published avoided cost rates in effect at the time the Agreement was executed and in accordance with Order No. 29646. See page 10 of the Agreement filed in Case No. IPC-E-06-10.

4. Therefore, on May 3, 2013, Idaho Power provided Cassia Wind with a letter setting forth the pricing to be applied to the last 27 months of the term of the Agreement based upon the standard published avoided cost rates in effect at the time. Attachment 1. As described in the letter and as set forth in Order No. 29646, standard published avoided cost pricing for the final 27 months is:

Year	Season 1- (73.50 %)	Season 2- (120.00 %)	Season 3- (100.00
	<u>Mills/kWh</u>	<u>Mills/kWh</u>	<u>%) Mills/kWh</u>
2028	62.50	102.04	85.04
2029	63.94	104.40	87.00

5. Idaho Power requests that the Commission approve the inclusion of these additional prices into the terms of the Agreement in order to clarify the rates in effect for the final 27 months of the Agreement.

II. MODIFIED PROCEDURE

6. Idaho Power believes that a technical hearing is not necessary to consider the issues presented herein and respectfully requests that this Application be processed under Modified Procedure; i.e., by written submissions rather than by hearing. RP 201, *et seq.* The Company stands ready to present the testimony in support of this Application in a technical hearing if the Commission determines such a hearing is required.

III. COMMUNICATIONS AND SERVICE OF PLEADINGS

7. Communications and service of pleadings with reference to this Application should be sent to the following:

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IV. REQUEST FOR RELIEF

8. As described in greater detail above, Idaho Power respectfully requests that the Commission issue an order approving the inclusion of the above-described pricing terms for the last 27 months of the Agreement and finding it reasonable to allow

these payments made under the Agreement as prudently incurred expenses for ratemaking purposes.

DATED at Boise, Idaho, this 14th day of May 2013.



JULIA A. HILTON
Attorney for Idaho Power Company

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on the 14th day of May 2013 I served a true and correct copy of the foregoing APPLICATION upon the following named parties by the method indicated below, and addressed to the following:

Commission Staff

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Deputy Attorney General
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**BEFORE THE
IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**

CASE NO. IPC-E-06-10

IDAHO POWER COMPANY

ATTACHMENT 1



May 3, 2013

Cassia Wind Farm, LLC
c/o Exelon Wind, LLC
Attn: Richard Free, Director, Utility and Regulatory Process Support
4601 Westown Parkway, Suite 300
West Des Moines, IA 50266

Sent Via: Email (Richard.Free@exeloncorp.com), Certified Mail

Subject: Cassia Wind Farm - Project Number - 31318100

Dear Richard,

Recently you contacted Idaho Power regarding your discovery that the pricing schedules contained in Article VII of the Firm Energy Sales Agreements (Agreement) between Cassia Wind Farm, LLC and Idaho Power Company dated 04/07/2006 do not extend through the full 20 year term of the Agreement.

The pricing within this Agreement contains the standard published avoided cost rates in accordance with Idaho Public Utilities Commission (IPUC) order 29646 which was in effect at the time this Agreement was executed. The Agreement does contain 20 years of pricing, however due to the actual Operation Date of 3/24/2009 the full 20 year term of the Agreement extends to March 2029. Review of IPUC Order 29646 provides pricing for 2028 and 2029 as follows:

Article VII: PURCHASE PRICE AND METHOD OF PAYMENT

7.1 Base Energy Purchase Price:

Table with 4 columns: Year, Season 1 - (73.50 %) Mills/kWh, Season 2 - (120.00 %) Mills/kWh, Season 3 - (100.00 %) Mills/kWh. Rows for 2028 and 2029.

Idaho Power will file this information with the IPUC and ask that it be included with the original agreement. However, if the IPUC determines that additional information or specific IPUC approval of this information is required such prices shall not be effective until such Commission approval is obtained.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,



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cc: Donovan Walker (IPC)
Randy Allphin (IPC)