

BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION)	
OF IDAHO POWER COMPANY FOR)	CASE NO. IPC-E-06-29
APPROVAL OF THE AGREEMENT FOR)	
SALE AND PURCHASE OF SURPLUS)	NOTICE OF APPLICATION
ENERGY BETWEEN IDAHO POWER)	
COMPANY AND AMALGAMATED)	NOTICE OF
SUGAR COMPANY, LLC – TWIN FALLS)	MODIFIED PROCEDURE
FACILITY)	
)	NOTICE OF
)	COMMENT/PROTEST DEADLINE

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that on November 21, 2006, Idaho Power Company (Idaho Power; Company) filed an Application with the Idaho Public Utilities Commission (Commission) requesting approval of an Agreement for Sale and Purchase of Surplus Energy (Agreement) between Idaho Power and Amalgamated Sugar Company LLC (TASCO) under which Idaho Power agrees to purchase surplus electric energy up to 3 MW from TASCO's refined sugar production facility in Twin Falls at prices that are less than market-based non-firm energy prices.

The submitted Agreement dated November 20, 2006 replaces a prior Agreement, dated August 11, 2001. The prior surplus energy agreement was approved by the Commission in Order No. 28910 dated December 6, 2001. The prior agreement was for a five-year term that expired in August 2006. The initial term of the new Agreement is for one contract year. The Agreement renews automatically from year to year unless terminated pursuant to contractual notice requirements.

As reflected in the Application, Idaho Power states that negotiation of the Agreement and execution of the Agreement by TASCO predated Order No. 30179 issued by the Commission in Case No. IPC-E-06-18, the Company's Application for authority to institute a uniform Schedule 72 interconnection agreement. Therefore, the Agreement, the Company states, does not include the modifications approved in that Order.

Idaho Power under the Agreement will purchase up to 3 MW of surplus electric energy generated by the electric generating equipment located at TASCO Twin Falls plant. The energy purchased will be surplus energy not otherwise consumed by TASCO at the Twin Falls

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plant. Electric energy to be sold under the Agreement is non-firm energy and will only be available if TASCO does not consume the electric energy in the Twin Falls plant. The surplus energy to be purchased from TASCO is priced at 85% of the monthly weighted average non-firm Dow Jones Mid-Columbia Index Price. Setting the purchase price at a discount from market price, Idaho Power contends, assures that when the Company needs the energy, the price will always be more attractive than buying from the market. When it does not need the power, Idaho Power should be able to resell the energy at the higher wholesale market price.

Idaho Power requests that the Agreement be approved without change or condition and requests a Commission determination that all payments for purchases of energy incurred under the Agreement be allowed as prudently incurred expenses for ratemaking purposes. Should the Commission approve the Agreement, Idaho Power intends to consider the effective date of the Agreement to be November 20, 2006.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Commission has reviewed the filings of record in Case No. IPC-E-06-29. The Commission has preliminarily found that the public interest in this matter may not require a hearing to consider the issues presented and that issues raised by the Company's filing may be processed under **Modified Procedure**, i.e., by written submission rather than by hearing. Reference Commission's Rules of Procedure, IDAPA 31.01.01.201-204.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the **deadline for filing written comments or protests** with respect to Idaho Power's Application and the use of Modified Procedure in Case No. IPC-E-06-29 is **Wednesday, January 10, 2007**.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that if no written comments or protests are received within the deadline, the Commission may consider the matter on its merits and may enter its Order without a formal hearing. If comments or protests are filed within the deadline, the Commission will consider them and in its discretion may set the matter for hearing or may decide the matter and issue its Order based on the written positions before it. Reference IDAPA 31.01.01.204.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that written comments concerning Case No. IPC-E-06-29 should be mailed to the Commission and the Company at the addresses reflected below.

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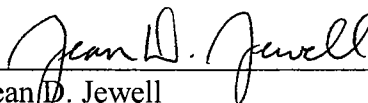
All comments should contain the case caption and case number shown on the first page of this document. Persons desiring to submit comments via e-mail may do so by accessing the Commission's home page located at www.puc.idaho.gov. Click the "Comments and Questions" icon, and complete the comment form, using the case number as it appears on the front of this document. These comments must also be sent to Idaho Power at the e-mail addresses listed above.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that if no written comments or protests are received within the time limit set, the Commission will consider this matter on its merits and enter its Order without a formal hearing. If written comments are received within the time limit set, the Commission will consider them and, in its discretion, may the set the same for formal hearing.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Application in Case No. IPC-E-06-29 may be viewed at www.puc.idaho.gov by clicking on "File Room" and "Electric Cases," or can be viewed during regular business hours at the Idaho Public Utilities Commission, 472 W. Washington Street, Boise, Idaho and at the general business office of Idaho Power Company, 1221 West Idaho Street, Boise, Idaho.

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DATED at Boise, Idaho this 19th day of December 2006.



Jean D. Jewell
Commission Secretary

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