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July 10, 2007

Ms. Jean Jewell
Commission Secretary
Idaho Public Utilities Commission
P.O. Box 83720
Boise, ID 83720-0074

RE: Case No. IPC-E-07-8

Dear Ms. Jewell:

Enclosed please find the original and seven (7) copies of the PETITION OF THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY FOR LEAVE TO INTERVENE in the above-captioned proceeding. Also enclosed is an additional copy of the Petition for Leave to Intervene that I ask be date stamped and returned in the enclosed stamped envelope. If you have any questions concerning this filing you can contact me at (202) 586-0503.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Lot H. Cooke".

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BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION)
OF IDAHO POWER COMPANY FOR)
AUTHORITY TO INCREASE ITS RATES) CASE NO. 1PC-E-07-08
AND CHARGES FOR ELECTRIC SERVICE)
TO ELECTRIC CUSTOMERS IN THE)
STATE OF IDAHO)

**PETITION OF THE UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY
FOR LEAVE TO INTERVENE**

COMES NOW the United States Department of Energy (“DOE”) on behalf of its Idaho Operations Office and on behalf of other Federal Executive Agencies, all of whom are customers of Idaho Power Company (“IPC”), and by and through counsel, respectfully requests the Idaho Public Utility Commission (“Commission”) to grant this Petition for Leave to Intervene in the above-captioned proceeding pursuant to Rules 071-075 of the Commission’s Rules of Practice and Procedure. In support thereof, DOE states:

I.

DOE has been delegated authority by the General Services Administration pursuant to

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section 201(a)(4) of the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949, as amended (40 U.S.C. A. Sec. 481(a)(4)), to represent the customer interests of the Executive Agencies of the United States Government in this proceeding.

II.

The following persons are designated to receive service in this matter:

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III.

On June 8, 2007, IPC filed an Application with the Commission for authority to increase its rates an average of 10.35%. If approved, IPC's revenues would increase by \$63.9 million.

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IV.

The proposed tariffs will affect the rates which DOE and the other Federal Executive Agencies pay for electricity from IPC. Procurement of electricity from IPC by DOE and other Federal Executive Agencies is made entirely from public funds. Therefore, DOE and the other Federal Executive Agencies have a direct and substantial interest which would not be represented by any other party in this proceeding.

V.

DOE seeks the right to participate fully in this proceeding, including the right to present expert witnesses and cross-examine witnesses, to take part in oral arguments and file briefs, and to request such relief as may be determined necessary to protect the interests of DOE and the other Federal Executive Agencies.

VI.

For the purposes of the above-captioned proceeding, I have designated as local counsel and an active member of the Idaho State Bar, Dennis A. Love, (Bar No. 3402) P.O. Box 1625, Idaho Fall, Idaho, 83415-2506, (208) 526-8765.

WHEREFORE, DOE respectfully requests the Commission to grant this Petition for Leave to Intervene in the above-captioned proceeding.

Dated this 10th day of July, 2007.

By 
Lot H. Cooke
Acting Assistant General Counsel
United States Department of Energy

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE
CASE NO. IPC-E-07-8

I hereby certify that I have this 10th day of July, 2007, served or caused to be served a true and correct copy of the attached PETITION OF THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY FOR LEAVE TO INTERVENE upon each of the parties listed below by placing the same in the U.S. Mail, postage prepaid.

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