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From: Tonya Clark
Sent: Tuesday, February 12, 2008 7:00 AM
To: Jean Jewell
Subject: FW: Comments: Case " IPC-E-07-18

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From: Al McGlinsky [mailto:al2mcg@fiberpipe.net]
Sent: Monday, February 11, 2008 4:49 PM
To: Lou Ann Westerfield; Lynn Anderson; Tonya Clark; Gene Fadness
Subject: Comments: Case " IPC-E-07-18

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Comments to the Idaho Public Utilities Commission

Case " IPC-E-07-18

One option taken from your notice: "In 2006, about \$69 million in SO₂ sales proceeds was used to offset the company's power purchase costs, with 90 percent of the proceeds going to customers and 10 percent to company shareholders."

A Conservation Alternative

It seems none of the four options presented would be as good as using the SO₂ sales proceeds to fund incentives to be given to qualifying members of the public who would use that money to actually reduce their energy consumption. Reducing consumption is more sensible, in the end, than allowing (even helping?) Idaho Power to purchase power when demand exceeds it's own generating capacity.

Among the Benefits of a Conservation Alternative are:

- By eliminating waste, Conservation frees up current production to meet sensible, more productive needs.
- Ratepayers save money each year for many years through their reduced energy needs. These long term savings greatly exceed what might be derived from a single distribution similar to that in the year 2006 .

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- Reducing the need to produce more power anywhere reduces CO₂, SO₂ and other greenhouse gases. That reduction occurs year after year, benefiting all.
- Reducing consumption is faster and far less costly than bringing a new power plant on line. Until all Conservation measures have been implemented, no NEW plans to purchase or increase production with traditional schemes make sense.

Unlike many other utilities and other states, neither Idaho Power nor the State of Idaho have seriously pursued obvious opportunities for Conservation. In the mid 1990's Idaho Power chose to drop it's then stated objective to pursue a long list of energy conserving opportunities it had identified within it's agricultural, commercial and residential ratepayers, moving instead to supporting developmental research and production of efficient appliances. As a result (which is not entirely the fault of Idaho Power since the State of Idaho has also failed to provide incentives) Idaho now lags behind other states in implementing energy Conservation, especially within the residential sector. Therefore, it now seems urgent and wise to use the SO₂ proceeds to initiate rebates/incentives for Energy Conserving Alternatives. Among those could be the following:

- Retrofitting homes (attic and wall insulation, weather stripping, efficient windows and doors, and so forth)
- Purchasing and installing solar domestic hot water systems, heat pumps, efficient furnaces and appliances such as washers, dryers, refrigerators, freezers, air conditioning.
- Purchasing hybrid or other vehicles which have met standards approved as especially fuel efficient.
- Approved strategies and equipment deployed in the agricultural and industrial sectors which clearly and substantially reduce energy consumption. (For example, Installation of efficient irrigation pumps for the agricultural ratepayers was once identified by Idaho Power as an important Conservation opportunity).

Both the State of Idaho and its various public and private utilities should strongly encourage and provide financial rebates to offset the costs for making such energy conserving improvements, benefitting all. Money wisely spent now for energy Conservation enables savings reaching far into the future, a wonderful return on our investment.

Thank you for this opportunity to comment.

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From: carlsonr@filertel.com
Sent: Tuesday, February 12, 2008 12:16 AM
To: Tonya Clark; Jean Jewell; Gene Fadness; Ed Howell
Subject: PUC Comment/Inquiry Form

A Comment from Idaho Rural Council follows:

Case Number: IPC-E-07-18
Name: Idaho Rural Council
Address: P.O. Box 21
City: Filer
State: Idaho
Zip: 83328
Home Telephone: 298-326-3686
Contact E-Mail: carlsonr@filertel.com
Name of Utility Company: Idaho Power
Add to Mailing List: yes

Please describe your question or comment briefly:

The Idaho Rural Council supports funding and implementing the half million dollar energy education proposal by Mr. Chisholm along with an Idaho Power investment in a wind project- 'Option Three'.

Young people, many of whom take reliable and affordable energy for granted, will benefit for a lifetime if they learn early about energy conservation/ efficiency. The education proposal will also expose them to the exciting renewable energy technologies coming to Idaho and give some seeking a career in the field a 'leg-up' when the time comes.

Thank you,
Richard Carlson, for the Idaho Rural Council

The form submitted on <http://www.puc.idaho.gov/forms/ipucl/ipuc.html>
IP address is 208.98.151.15

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From: duffandtrout@hotmail.com
Sent: Saturday, February 09, 2008 8:07 AM
To: Tonya Clark; Jean Jewell; Gene Fadness; Ed Howell
Subject: PUC Comment/Inquiry Form

A Comment from Michael Duffy follows:

Case Number: IPC-E-07-18
Name: Michael Duffy
Address: 3378 E Ford Place
City: Twin Falls
State: ID
Zip: 83301
Home Telephone: 208-595-4640
Contact E-Mail: duffandtrout@hotmail.com
Name of Utility Company: Idaho Power
Add to Mailing List: yes

Please describe your question or comment briefly:

I would like to urge the commission to consider directing funds from sulfur dioxide emission sales toward programs that are specifically aimed at incentivising renewable energy creation and usage. In particular, please consider a state-wide incentive for home solar programs.

Given its natural resources, Idaho has a unique opportunity to be one of the nation's leaders in environmental protection. Such an incentive program would go a long way toward acheiving that goal.

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From: mertie2002@msn.com
Sent: Saturday, February 09, 2008 8:04 AM
To: Tonya Clark; Jean Jewell; Gene Fadness; Ed Howell
Subject: PUC Comment/Inquiry Form

A Comment from Deborra Bohrer follows:

Case Number: IPC-E-07-18
Name: Deborra Bohrer
Address: P.O. Box 606
City: Ketchum
State: Idaho
Zip: 83340
Home Telephone: 208-726-2525
Contact E-Mail: mertie2002@msn.com
Name of Utility Company: Idaho Power
Add to Mailing List: yes

Please describe your question or comment briefly:
The So2 emmission allowances should be reinvested in promoting clean sustainable energy such as wind, solar and geo thermal. It is rediculous that Idaho is so far behind in it's clean energy development. We have access to the best combination of wind, solar, and geothermal and could be leaders in the pursuance of the this energy. I can not understand the lack of vision in the so called 'leadership'. The refusal to have vision and leadership does not translate into business savvy.

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From: jayblackhurst@msn.com
Sent: Friday, February 08, 2008 10:10 AM
To: Tonya Clark; Jean Jewell; Gene Fadness; Ed Howell
Subject: PUC Comment/Inquiry Form

A Comment from Jay Blackhurst follows:

Case Number: IPC-E-07-18
Name: Jay Blackhurst
Address: 2222 Colorado Ave.
City: Boise
State: ID
Zip: 83706
Home Telephone: 208-631-4404
Contact E-Mail: jayblackhurst@msn.com
Name of Utility Company: Idaho Power
Add to Mailing List: yes

Please describe your question or comment briefly:
Please consider using the funds to create a rebate program for those willing to be co-generators. It benefits all and is reliable on those summer days when Idaho Power is dealing with potential rolling black outs. Idaho Power has the opotunity to step up and make a difference. They will continue to make heaps of money even though a few are using less and making some of their own electRICTY.
Thanks,
Jay

The form submitted on <http://www.puc.idaho.gov/forms/ipucl/ipuc.html>
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From: communitytruth@yahoo.com
Sent: Friday, February 08, 2008 3:00 AM
To: Tonya Clark; Jean Jewell; Gene Fadness; Ed Howell
Subject: PUC Comment/Inquiry Form

A Comment from mark hanawalt follows:

Case Number:
Name: mark hanawalt
Address: p.o. box 1992
City: boise
State: id
Zip: 83701
Home Telephone:
Contact E-Mail: communitytruth@yahoo.com
Name of Utility Company: idaho power
Add to Mailing List: no

Please describe your question or comment briefly:

Hi, for the SO2 credits please put them toward energy conservation to give us the most bang for the buck. use part of them to invest in solar thermal and photovoltaic in southwest area of state. set up economic incentives as they do in Germany to pay for this needed investment.

The form submitted on <http://www.puc.idaho.gov/forms/ipuc1/ipuc.html>
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