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A Comment from Paula Meunier follows:

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Please describe your comment briefly:

Back 'in the day' a company made money by using good business practices. If they didn't they went out of business. I realize that a utility is different, however, good business practices should still be utilized. Profits are not guaranteed to anyone. Idaho Power has continually requested rate increases and gotten them. It is immaterial if they got all they asked for or not. I recall an increase in the past when they said, 'we need a rate increase, because of the growth and the necessity to install new lines, etc.' My thoughts at the time were, 'what the heck are they saying? Growth indicates more profit and I know for a fact they charge for every poll and wire they install.

The Times News recently had a headline that the public agrees with the increase because of the poor attendance at a recent meeting. Nothing could be further than the truth. The truth is the public feels it is a waste of time because they will get an increase as they have done in the past regardless of what the public says. I am very involved in local government and see this all the time. The presumption that lack of attendance is agreement to what ever is being asked is so far from the truth that I can't believe that an intelligent person can come to that conclusion!

In closing, if they need another raise this close to the last raise, maybe they simply should lower their dividends.

Thank you for your time.  
Paula

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