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BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION)
OF IDAHO POWER COMPANY FOR) JOINT MOTION TO DEFER ENERGY
AUTHORITY TO INCREASE ITS RATES) EFFICIENCY RIDER PRUDENCY
AND CHARGES FOR ELECTRIC) DETERMINATION
SERVICE.)
_____) CASE NO. IPC-E-08-10

COMES NOW, Idaho Power Company ("Idaho Power" or the "Company") and Idaho Public Utilities Commission Staff ("Staff") hereby move the Commission pursuant to RP 56 and 256 to defer making a prudency determination of Energy Efficiency Rider¹ funds spent between 2003 and 2007. This Motion is based on the following:

¹ Formerly known as the "DSM Rider."

1. In testimony² spread upon the technical hearing record on December 16-19, 2008, Idaho Power requested the Commission explicitly find that its expenditures funded by 2003-2007 Energy Efficiency Rider amounts were prudently incurred. The Commission Staff presented testimony³ recommending that the Commission defer a prudence determination for Idaho Power's energy efficiency expenses until the Company was able to provide a comprehensive evaluation package of its programs and efforts. Idaho Power contended that information sufficient to make the prudence determination existed and had been provided or made available for Staff review.

2. Idaho Power and the Commission Staff believe that they may be able to reach agreement regarding the prudence of some or all of the Energy Efficiency Rider funds spent between 2003 and 2007. The Company and Staff intend to conduct settlement discussions and file any resulting agreement with the Commission for review and approval including a formal prudence determination. If an agreement cannot be reached, Staff and Idaho Power will recommend additional procedure to allow the Commission to make such a determination.

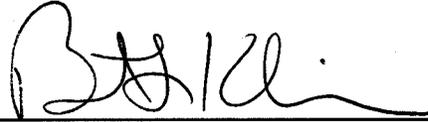
3. Idaho Power has sent a copy of this Motion to all the parties on the service list in this docket so that if it wishes to do so, the Commission may act upon a motion requesting procedural and/or substantive relief on fewer than fourteen (14) days' notice pursuant to RP 256.

² See hearing testimony of Company witnesses John R. Gale and Theresa Drake.

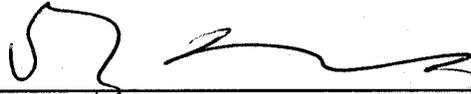
³ See hearing testimony of Staff witnesses Randy Lobb and Lynn Anderson.

For these reasons, Idaho Power and the Commission Staff request that the Commission issue an order to defer making a prudency determination of Energy Efficiency Rider funds spent between 2003 and 2007, and issue a Final Order in Idaho Power's rate case, Case No. IPC-E-08-10, without such prudency determination.

Respectfully submitted this 9th day of January 2009.



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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on or about this 9th day of January 2009 I served a true and correct copy of the within and foregoing JOINT MOTION TO DEFER ENERGY EFFICIENCY RIDER PRUDENCY DETERMINATION upon the following named parties by the method indicated below, and addressed to the following:

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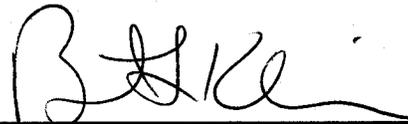
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