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I notice that Idaho Power is asking for a 10% rate increase in a good water year. One has to wonder if by asking big percentages they get their goals approved "as planned" at any "rate" social security cost of living adjustments just may not leave those of us who are ~~retired~~ ~~retired~~ retired in good shape!

As our country was built and settled, windmills provided water for man + beast. Today we have wind farms with 200' + towers that are part of our energy solution.

May I suggest "farms with wind generators" on every farm + rural homestead where wind conditions + property owners will permit. Our government could join the private citizen in a program as far reaching and interactive as the original rural electrification program of yester year.

These generators could be of standard manufacture that would be reliable and of modest size and expense. Hook these to the already existing power line that services homes. If more power was generated on the property than used the participants would be paid.

Surely more oil, more nuclear are more costly in every way! A power system as widespread as generators on rural homes + farms would be less exposed to sabotage and less challenge to the environment.

Electric automobiles seem to be our automotive future if we can just get car manufacturers to make them at reasonable cost.

This past Sunday morning on "Farm report" they said big homes in the suburbs would lose the most value as the populace moved to the inner-city because of high cost of gasoline and time consumed in the commute.

Rural wind generation on a large scale needs to receive more attention than a few big installations. Small power generators could easily be installed with a small crew with modest equipment. A fence around the base of a 20' wind generator for safety. These wouldn't create enough noise to matter or be objectionable.

If these small generators could be built like our nation built stuff in WWII, it wouldn't take long to get them in place.

Geothermal seems not even to be mentioned so I wonder why not?

We just have got to get a handle on our energy needs! as it is, all we can do is huddle at home + pray for something positive,

Earl D. Olson  
Thank You 208-544-7792

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**Jean Jewell**

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**From:** Jean Jewell  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 01, 2008 4:29 PM  
**To:** Jean Jewell  
**Subject:** FW: Consumer Complaint/Inquiry Form

-----Original Message-----

**From:** ard56@hotmail.com [mailto:ard56@hotmail.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, June 27, 2008 6:33 AM  
**To:** Tonya Clark; Front; Beverly Barker; Ed Howell  
**Subject:** Consumer Complaint/Inquiry Form

A Complaint/Inquiry from john ard follows:

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Name: john ard  
Contact E-Mail: [ard56@hotmail.com](mailto:ard56@hotmail.com)  
Daytime Telephone: 208-326-6468  
Home Address: 2024 east 4300 north  
City: filer  
State: idaho  
Zipcode: 83328  
If this concerns a Business, Business Name:  
Business Address:  
Business Phone:  
Name of Utility Company: idaho power  
Have you contacted the utility regarding your concern?: yes

Please describe your question or complaint briefly:

idaho power is out of control!they want another rate hike?it is the last shot fired in to my last dallor,i will be the first person to be shut off this winter,i am on ss disability and guess what i couldnt pay last winters rates i needed to file for assistance last year,and before it even had a chance to send out payment, they in fact were called by me the day i got help,they still sent me a shut off notice in the month of january.we already had a rate hike to help finance their new power plant,which i might add we finance and then have to pay top dallor for power what a joke.you people better better step up the people of idaho are sick of the the way our state and country are headed.big corperations like idaho power will not be happy till they have every penny we have.just remember in the end your job is is on the line,i have sent this also to craig and simpson i hope you do the right thing that is all i ask. john

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**From:** rljwind@msn.com  
**Sent:** Monday, June 30, 2008 9:30 AM  
**To:** Tonya Clark; Jean Jewell; Beverly Barker; Gene Fadness; Ed Howell  
**Subject:** PUC Comment Form

A Comment from Randy Wind follows:

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Case Number: *IPC-E-08-10*  
Name: Randy Wind  
Address: 251 sw 7th ave  
City: meridian  
State: Idaho  
Zip: 83642  
Daytime Telephone: 208-895-0074  
Contact E-Mail: rljwind@msn.com  
Name of Utility Company: Idaho power  
Add to Mailing List: yes

Please describe your comment briefly:

I beg of you not to approve the rate increase that Idaho Power is asking for of 9.9%. With the rising cost of everything we just cant continue to see these types of increases. We just had a big increase last month from Idaho Power and we cant take anymore. When will it end? I can tell you what will start to happen is people will not have the ability to pay. please i urge you to deny you this request!!!

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**From:** james@thomas.net  
**Sent:** Monday, June 30, 2008 2:27 AM  
**To:** Tonya Clark; Jean Jewell; Beverly Barker; Gene Fadness; Ed Howell  
**Subject:** PUC Comment Form

A Comment from James Thomas follows:

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Case Number: *IPC-E-08-10*  
Name: James Thomas  
Address: 7249 Colonial St D106  
City: Boise  
State: ID  
Zip: 83709  
Daytime Telephone: 208.841.6393  
Contact E-Mail: [james@thomas.net](mailto:james@thomas.net)  
Name of Utility Company: Idaho Power Co  
Add to Mailing List:

Please describe your comment briefly:

Radio News item this morning: Idaho Power Co is asking for a rate increase due to increasing demand and growth in the market.

Please deny this request if those are the only reasons, can't always trust the media, yes? They may have left out the important reasons.

If those are the reasons, why do existing rate payers have to pay for additional power customers? Aren't the new customers going to pay their bills? Of course they are. Doesn't that mean additional revenue? Of course it does.

Why can't Idaho Power Co made due with the increased revenue that more customers bring by paying their bills at existing rates?

Either the radio news editors left out good, justifiable reasons for ANOTHER hike or Idaho Power is playing on the ignorance of our typical rate payer.

If those are the only reasons Idaho Power is giving to you for the hike, please suggest they go back to the drawing boards.

The other question relates to whether the commission is getting 'too easy'. Without competition, companies get lazy. That not only applies to government agencies but to regulated monopolies as well.

Ratepayers trust the commission to keep the heat on, so to speak, no pun intended.

Perhaps the commission ought to suggest IPCo REDUCE its rates due to growth in the market. You know, economies of scale. Economics 101.

How many IPCo employees regularly work some 'casual' overtime to keep their jobs? Just a thought.

Thanks and do have a fine day!

Jim Thomas

Taxpayer, Ratepayer, Database Designer, Programmer, Instructor, 5-string banjo student

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**From:** js\_weber@hotmail.com  
**Sent:** Sunday, June 29, 2008 12:43 PM  
**To:** Tonya Clark; Jean Jewell; Beverly Barker; Gene Fadness; Ed Howell  
**Subject:** PUC Comment Form

A Comment from John Weber follows:

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Case Number: IPC-E-08-10  
Name: John Weber  
Address: 9535 W Cory Ln  
City: Boise  
State: Idaho  
Zip: 83704  
Daytime Telephone: 208-378-9887  
Contact E-Mail: [js\\_weber@hotmail.com](mailto:js_weber@hotmail.com)  
Name of Utility Company: Idaho Power  
Add to Mailing List: yes

Please describe your comment briefly:

I like how the rate increase has 2 blocks of power with the rate increasing for the second block. I would recommend approving the rate increase as listed. I personally would like to see an additional residential block at the over 1,000 kWh/month that would increase the rate an additional 3 cents per kwh. This would help promote more conservation and be in accord with the state energy plan. At some point in the future when Idaho Power is able I believe time based metering will also help promote conservation. My only other comment/question is how the three special contract customers are able to buy power for less than the cost of generation/transmission? Are the other rate payers subsidizing them? If so, why? Thank you!

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**From:** rgrever@hotmail.com  
**Sent:** Sunday, June 29, 2008 3:25 AM  
**To:** Tonya Clark; Jean Jewell; Beverly Barker; Gene Fadness; Ed Howell  
**Subject:** PUC Comment Form

A Comment from Rick Grever follows:

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Case Number: IPC-E-08-10  
Name: Rick Grever  
Address: 213 S. 13th Ave  
City: Caldwell  
State: Idaho  
Zip: 83605  
Daytime Telephone: 208-283-6385  
Contact E-Mail: [rgrever@hotmail.com](mailto:rgrever@hotmail.com)  
Name of Utility Company: Idaho Power  
Add to Mailing List:

Please describe your comment briefly:

I do not beleive Idaho Power needs a third rate increase in a year! I beleive ther is more going on hear than meets the eye. I would like to know their profits for each quarter. They are becoming like the oil company. Every time they ask for a rate hike you grant it. I use less power than i did last year and i am paying more. My air conditioning is on a timer, i use all energy efficiant bulbs, i have done it all and i pay more...people do conserve so when they do Idaho Power doesn't make as much money so they ask for a hike in rates and you continually grant it. I beleive all the financial records of Idaho Power should be made public...such as their profits for each quarter before you decide on this matter. If The rate increase is granted i myself intend to write the govenor and have the PUC itself investegated. This is to much in one year.

Rick Grever SR.

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**From:** alanoid1@cableone.net  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 28, 2008 3:25 AM  
**To:** Tonya Clark; Jean Jewell; Beverly Barker; Gene Fadness; Ed Howell  
**Subject:** PUC Comment Form

A Comment from ALAN UPCHURCH follows:

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Case Number: rate increase  
Name: ALAN UPCHURCH  
Address: 4128 N SORREL PL  
City: BOISE  
State: IDAHO  
Zip: 83703  
Daytime Telephone: 331 2774  
Contact E-Mail: [alanoid1@cableone.net](mailto:alanoid1@cableone.net)  
Name of Utility Company: Idaho power  
Add to Mailing List:  yes

Please describe your comment briefly:

It seems every time Idacorp stock doesnt meet its projection or they can sell power for more money in California they come begging for more money form the people in Idaho to pay for the shortfall I would'nt have a problem with this if the money stayed in Idaho to help with the infrastrucure so the power would'nt cut out like it will Sunday when the temp goes over 100 but as long as Idaho power has to make money for it's shareholers the people who pay the bill on time to help build the hydrogenerating projects for the last fifty years have to pay for their greed ( we all are paying \$4.00.00 plus for gas) this just adds to the pain

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**From:** megan01@onewest.net  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 28, 2008 1:42 AM  
**To:** Tonya Clark; Jean Jewell; Beverly Barker; Gene Fadness; Ed Howell  
**Subject:** PUC Comment Form

A Comment from Tammy Foster follows:

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Case Number: IPC-E-08-10  
Name: Tammy Foster  
Address: 119 Mountain View Dr.  
City: Jerome  
State: ID  
Zip: 83338  
Daytime Telephone: 208-324-1912  
Contact E-Mail: megan01@onewest.net  
Name of Utility Company: Idaho Power  
Add to Mailing List: yes

Please describe your comment briefly:

I got up this morning to find that Idaho Power wants another hike. I know that Idaho Power has investors who expect a profit, but in this time of soaring prices for everything is it really necessary for these people to get richer off of the people who are just getting by? I am not necessarily speaking of myself and my husband. No I don't want to have to pay more, but there are so many low income people who right now can't even fill their cars with gas or buy groceries is it really the right thing to do? Something has to give or pretty soon we will have people who have homes that have no power or gas.

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**From:** firefighter\_joe@juno.com  
**Sent:** Friday, June 27, 2008 3:31 PM  
**To:** Tonya Clark; Jean Jewell; Beverly Barker; Gene Fadness; Ed Howell  
**Subject:** PUC Comment Form

A Comment from Joseph Bongiorno follows:

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Case Number: IPC-E-08-10  
Name: Joseph Bongiorno  
Address: 2812 W Gemstone Drive  
City: Meridian  
State: ID  
Zip: 83646  
Daytime Telephone: 208-887-6847  
Contact E-Mail: firefighter\_joe@juno.com Name of Utility Company: Idaho Power Add to Mailing List: no

Please describe your comment briefly:  
I daho power has already asked for 2 rate increases in 6 months. Please don't approve another...

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**Jean Jewell**

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**From:** hw4824@hotmail.com  
**Sent:** Friday, June 27, 2008 11:35 AM  
**To:** Tonya Clark; Jean Jewell; Beverly Barker; Gene Fadness; Ed Howell  
**Subject:** PUC Comment Form

A Comment from Heidi Fackrell follows:

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Case Number: IPC-E-08-10  
Name: Heidi Fackrell  
Address: 9626 Hoff Dr.  
City: Boise  
State: ID  
Zip: 83714  
Daytime Telephone: 863-8262  
Contact E-Mail: hw4824@hotmail.com  
Name of Utility Company: Idaho Power  
Add to Mailing List: yes

Please describe your comment briefly:

It is my understanding that Idaho Power is asking to raise their rates yet again. I think this is like the third time in a year that they have done this. It is becoming increasingly difficult to live as the powers that be keep raising prices on the essentials. Electricity is not something we can live without- we have to have it. I don't like how much cable costs, so I found myself a less expensive alternative- or I could even go without. I think paying \$200 for a pair of designer Jeans from Macy's is outrageous, so I find a store with more reasonable prices to buy my jeans from. I don't like how much I am being charged for electricity, but I can't go to the competition and I can't go without. I can conserve electricity, but only to a point. They have their circuit breaker program- which gives us a discount of \$7.00/month in the summer months- but my bill in the summer runs about \$120. That is barely worth the cost of signing up for the program. My husband and I are preparing for a new child the first of the year, I will be quitting my job so that I can raise our child. We have it figured out how we can make it work, but if costs keep going up, I don't know what I will do.

Something has got to give somewhere. Please consider the hardships that this is putting on the citizens of Idaho. Consider our needs this time. I did not complain about the first rate increase because I understand that occasionally rate increases are necessary in running a business. I grumbled about the second one. I really don't have a problem with companies making a profit, but this is the third rate increase in a year and to me that seems excessive. Wages are not going up to match the cost of living- because this increase is passed on to all our employers as well. Everyone is affected by this. It seems that nobody in the Federal government cares about OPEC and changing gas prices daily. I hope that the PUC can be concerned for our needs, since that is what you can do. I know I seemed a little fired up about this, but it seems like the price of everything is spiraling out of control and no matter how frugal I am, I can never really accurately budget, when I don't know what I will be spending from one day to the next. I can't do anything about this, but you have the power to. Please tell them no to the rate increase and encourage them to find alternate means to get the money they claim they need.

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**From:** hilltop@sitestar.net  
**Sent:** Friday, June 27, 2008 11:32 AM  
**To:** Tonya Clark; Jean Jewell; Beverly Barker; Gene Fadness; Ed Howell  
**Subject:** PUC Comment Form

A Comment from Cynthia Smith follows:

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Case Number: IPC-E-08-10  
Name: Cynthia Smith  
Address: 2621 S Vineyard  
City: Nampa  
State: Idaho  
Zip: 80686  
Daytime Telephone: 208-287-0459  
Contact E-Mail: hilltop@sitestar.net  
Name of Utility Company: Idaho Power  
Add to Mailing List: no

Please describe your comment briefly:  
Along with fuel cost - do we really need a rise in power cost too? This is insanity.

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**From:** djenter@eagleid.com  
**Sent:** Friday, June 27, 2008 10:18 AM  
**To:** Tonya Clark; Jean Jewell; Beverly Barker; Gene Fadness; Ed Howell  
**Subject:** PUC Comment Form

A Comment from Douglas Foote follows:

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Case Number: *IPC-E-08-10*  
Name: Douglas Foote  
Address: 656 Pitkin Ln  
City: Eagle  
State: ID  
Zip: 83616  
Daytime Telephone: 208-938-4471  
Contact E-Mail: [djenter@eagleid.com](mailto:djenter@eagleid.com)  
Name of Utility Company: Idaho Power  
Add to Mailing List:

Please describe your comment briefly:

Idaho Power should absolutely NOT be allowed to raise their rates again, for the 3rd time this year. They are complaining about the costs of doing business and the demand for power. TOUGH!! They are in the power delivery business. They knew months ago that there would be a high demand for power this summer because of the weather forecasts and that their costs were rising. SO WHAT!!! We are all feeling the high costs of fuel, food, and everything else brought on by the oil companies and a war we all didn't want.

Let Idaho Power's stock holders 'eat it' like everyone else. I don't care if they never get a dividend. If Idaho Power breaks even, great. If they lose money, so be it! Times are tough for everyone and Idaho Power needs to wake up and start cutting costs like everyone else has. Let their board of directors take a \$250,000 per person a year pay cut. That would save a LOT of money and their customers wouldn't have to pay for their \$2Million dollar homes and new Mercedes Benz's every year.

Let the new developers pay for the improvements and installation costs and not the existing customers. New developments need to be hit with a very hefty surcharge just to be set up. If the developers knew that these fees (in the millions of dollars) would be paid directly to Idaho Power and other utilities, they would think more than twice about trying to build new homes when there are over 8000 homes for sale right now in the valley. We don't need more new subdivisions just to line the pockets of out-of-state developers. A multi-million dollar surcharge to the utilities would put the brakes on these new developments.

Lastly, Idaho Power should NEVER, EVER be selling power out of state. Keep it in Idaho and keep our rates down. They are producing enough power for Idaho without selling it out-of-state.

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