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CASE NO. IPC-E-08-11

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ORDER NO. 30699

The agencies estimate having 30 workshops during a two-year period. *Id.* at 2. The agencies anticipate that administering the education portion of the energy proposal would require 0.8 of a full-time employee (FTE) for the two-year period.

The second part of the OER-DOE proposal would be to make \$250,000 available for schools in Idaho Power's service territory to implement/construct specific energy efficiency projects. Such measures might include conservation (lighting, heating, building construction) projects or energy generation (solar or wind) projects. OER estimates that there are approximately 62 public school districts in Idaho Power's service territory with more than 350 buildings. By augmenting Idaho Power's existing energy efficiency project for schools with the additional \$250,000, OER asserts that the additional funds will produce greater energy savings for participating schools than relying on Idaho Power's existing programs alone. Proposal at 3. OER anticipates that administration of the project component would require 0.5 FTE for one year. The estimated costs for both components are set out below.

<b>Education Component</b>		<b>Project Component</b>	
Develop Curriculum	\$ 80,000	Marketing	\$ 13,989
Select 2 Training Teachers	10,000	Project Funds	185,000
Train-the-Trainer Workshops	50,000	Admin/Overhead	51,011
Admin/Overhead	110,000		
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$250,000</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$250,000</b>

The OER Administrator and the Superintendent of Education did answer a few questions before they had to leave the conference because of other commitments.

Given the press for time, Idaho Power did not present a proposal or provide additional detail regarding its existing Community Education Program for schools. Instead, the Company said it was prepared to support whatever the Commission decided. Tr. at 44. The Company does have employees who make presentations at schools in its service territory about utility matters, safety, generation and energy efficiency. Idaho Power also provides funding for energy conservation projects in schools. *Id.* The Company indicated that its existing programs "fit very well with the goals" of the OER-DOE proposal. *Id.*

In reaction to the OER/DOE proposal, participants generally voiced support for energy education and offered constructive criticism of the proposal. Others suggested that the school energy projects should be designed to engage the students at the project schools. Finally,

some participants did express concern about the agencies' estimated administrative costs. Tr. at 61, 64.

### **NOTICE OF ADDITIONAL WORKSHOP**

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the Commission appreciates receiving the OER-DOE proposal. For many of the participants at the Status Conference this was the first opportunity they had to review the OER-DOE proposal. In addition, the Commission and participants have not been briefed on the existing Idaho Power programs. Consequently, the Commission shall convene another workshop on **JANUARY 8, 2009 AT 9:30 A.M. IN THE COMMISSION'S HEARING ROOM, 472 WEST WASHINGTON STREET, BOISE, IDAHO.** The purpose of the workshop is for Idaho Power to present an overview of its existing energy efficiency education efforts and its energy efficiency programs available to schools. More specifically, Idaho Power shall advise the Commission on the type and scope of its school energy audits; the contents of its existing school education curriculum; the type and scope of its completed and currently underway school conservation/energy projects; and any additions or enhancements to these efforts that it believes could be reasonably accomplished with an infusion of additional funds that would directly benefit energy efficiency education in the classroom. Other parties may also advise the Commission of their positions regarding the OER-DOE proposal or offer other proposals.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that all workshops in this matter will be held in facilities meeting the accessibility requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). Persons needing the help of a sign language interpreter or other assistance in order to participate in or to understand testimony and argument at a public hearing may ask the Commission to provide a sign language interpreter or other assistance at the hearing. The request for assistance must be received at least five (5) working days before the hearing by contacting the Commission Secretary at:

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PO BOX 83720  
BOISE, IDAHO 83720-0074  
(208) 334-0338 (Telephone)  
(208) 334-3762 (FAX)  
E-Mail: [secretary@puc.idaho.gov](mailto:secretary@puc.idaho.gov)

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the OER-DOE proposal is available for public inspection during regular business hours at the Commission offices. The proposal and other materials in this case are also available on the Commission's website at [www.puc.idaho.gov](http://www.puc.idaho.gov) under "File Room" and "Electric Cases." Click on the case number appearing on the first page of this Notice.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that all proceedings in this case will be held pursuant to the Commission's jurisdiction under Title 61 of the Idaho Code and specifically *Idaho Code* §§ 61-316, 61-502, 61-503, 61-523, and 61-524. The Commission may enter any final Order consistent with its authority under Title 61.

### NOTICE OF MODIFIED PROCEDURE

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that after the workshop, the Commission will seek written comments on the OER-DOE proposal, other proposals (if presented), and the appropriate disposition of the SO2 proceeds. The Commission has determined that the public interest may not require a formal hearing in this matter and will proceed under Modified Procedure pursuant to Rules 201 through 204 of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission's Rules of Procedure, IDAPA 31.01.01.201 through .204. The Commission notes that Modified Procedure and written comments have proven to be an effective means for obtaining public input and participation.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that any person desiring to state a position on OER-DOE's energy proposal or on the disposition of the SO2 proceeds may file a written comment in support or opposition **with the Commission no later than February 5, 2009**. The comment must contain a statement of reasons supporting the comment. Persons desiring a hearing must specifically request a hearing in their written comments. Written comments concerning this Application shall be mailed to the Commission at the address reflected below:

Commission Secretary  
Idaho Public Utilities Commission  
PO Box 83720  
Boise, ID 83720-0074

Paul Kjellander, Administrator  
Office of Energy Resources  
PO Box 83720  
Boise, ID 83720-0098

Street Address for Express Mail:

472 W. Washington Street  
Boise, ID 83702-5918

These comments should contain the case caption and case number shown on the first page of this document. Persons desiring to submit comments via e-mail may do so by accessing the Commission's home page located at [www.puc.idaho.gov](http://www.puc.idaho.gov). Click the "Comments and Questions" icon, and complete the comment form, using the case number as it appears on the front of this document.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that if no written comments or protests are received within the time limit set, the Commission will consider this matter on its merits and enter its Order without a formal hearing. If written comments are received within the time limit set, the Commission will consider them and, in its discretion, may set the same for formal hearing.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Commission continues to reserve judgment on the appropriateness of using \$500,000 of the SO2 proceeds for energy education purposes.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that all proceedings in this matter will be conducted pursuant to the Commission's Rules of Procedure, IDAPA 31.01.01.

#### **ORDER**

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that a public workshop be convened as set out above. Idaho Power and other interested parties should attend and be prepared to address the questions set out above.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that persons interested in submitting written comments in this docket do so no later than February 5, 2009.

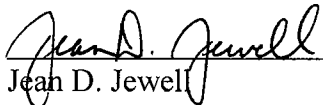
DONE by Order of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission at Boise, Idaho this 10<sup>th</sup>  
day of December 2008.

  
MACK A. REDFORD, PRESIDENT

  
MARSHA H. SMITH, COMMISSIONER

  
JIM D. KEMPTON, COMMISSIONER

ATTEST:

  
Jean D. Jewell  
Commission Secretary

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