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December 7, 2009

Ms. Jean Jewell
Commission Secretary
Idaho Public Utilities Commission
472 W. Washington St.
Boise, ID 83702

RE: Case No. IPC-E-09-30

Dear Ms. Jewell:

Enclosed, please find Community Action Partnership Association of Idaho's Petition to Intervene in the above-referenced matter.

Sincerely,


Brad M. Purdy

BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

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IN THE MATTEER OF THE APPLICATION)	
OF IDAHO POWER COMPANY FOR AN)	CASE NO. IPC-E-09-30
ACCOUNTING ORDER TO AMORTIZE)	
ADDITIONAL ACCUMULATED DEFERRAL)	APPLICATION FOR INTER-
INCOME TAX CREDIT AND APPROVING A)	VENTION OF COMMUNITY
RATE CASE MORATORIUM)	ACTION PARTNERSHIP
)	ASSOCIATION OF IDAHO
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COMES NOW, Community Action Partnership Association of Idaho (hereinafter "CAPAI" or "Intervenor") and, pursuant to Rules 071-075 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, IDAPA 31.01.01.071-075, hereby petitions the Commission for leave to intervene in this proceeding and to appear and participate with full parties' rights. In support of this Petition, CAPAI states as follows:

1. The address and name of the respective Intervenor is:

Community Action Partnership Association of Idaho
5400 W. Franklin Rd., Suite G
Boise, ID. 83705

2. This Intervenor will be represented in this proceeding by, and pleadings and other correspondence need only be sent to:

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3. CAPAI is a non-profit corporation consisting of six community action agencies serving every county in Idaho and also includes, among others, the statewide Community

Council of Idaho (formerly the Idaho Migrant Council) and fights the causes and conditions of poverty through building the capacity and effectiveness of its members who have a direct and substantial interest in this proceeding. These causes and conditions of poverty include high utility costs for Idaho Power's low income rate payers. Low income families pay a higher percentage of their income for utility expenses than those in other economic categories. These conditions are often caused by living in sub-standard or older housing that is not energy efficient. No other party typically intervenes in proceedings before the Commission, other than CAPAI, that represents the Company's low-income customers. Consequently, CAPAI fulfills an important role in this, and similar proceedings and, without the opportunity to participate as a part in this proceeding, would be unable to fulfill that role.

3. This case has followed a somewhat unusual procedural path. What started out with a Notice of Intent to file a General Rate Case, became a series of meetings among numerous stakeholders which transformed into a proposal by Idaho Power to not file a rate case and, in fact, defer such a filing in exchange for certain considerations stated in a stipulation that has been filed in this matter. The meetings were numerous, and lengthy leading to the settlement referred to, and regarding the appropriate procedural path by which to present the settlement to the Commission for its review. CAPAI participated fully in all of those meetings and in communicating with other participants in the settlement discussions, and ultimately executed the settlement. CAPAI agreed to execute the settlement as did several other stakeholders. Others did not.

The settlement, whether approved or not, will have a substantial and direct impact on Idaho Power's low-income customers for reasons that CAPAI requests that it be given

the opportunity to explain through the testimony of a witness and participation in a hearing. Consequently, CAPAI respectfully submits that it has satisfied all of the criteria entitling it to intervene in this matter.

4. CAPAI intends to participate in this proceeding as a party and introduce testimony and exhibits, cross-examine other witnesses, engage in oral argument, file comments, and otherwise fully participate as a party.

WHEREFORE, the Community Action Partnership Association of Idaho hereby requests that this Commission grant its Petition to Intervene in this proceeding and to fully appear and participate as a party with all the attendant rights and responsibilities.

DATED, this 7th day of December, 2009.


Brad M. Purdy