

BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION) CASE NO. IPC-E-09-32
OF IDAHO POWER COMPANY FOR)
AUTHORITY TO SELL TO PACIFICORP) NOTICE OF APPLICATION
THE GOSHEN SERIES CAPACITOR)
BANK.) NOTICE OF
) MODIFIED PROCEDURE
)
) NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
)
) ORDER NO. 30975

On November 13, 2009, Idaho Power Company filed an Application requesting authority to sell to PacifiCorp the Goshen Series Capacitor Bank. The Goshen Series Capacitor Bank (“the Bank”) is a 345 kV, 3-phase, 60 Hz, 2 equal segment, outdoor series capacitor bank.¹ The Bank is part of the larger Jim Bridger transmission system that is owned jointly by Idaho Power and PacifiCorp. The Company requests that its Application be processed by Modified Procedure.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that on July 31, 2009, Idaho Power and PacifiCorp entered into an Asset Purchase Agreement for the sale of the Goshen Capacitor Bank from Idaho Power to PacifiCorp. Idaho Power requests Commission approval of the sale pursuant to the requirements of *Idaho Code* § 61-328.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that Idaho Power asserts that the requested transaction meets the requirements of *Idaho Code* § 61-328. Idaho Power further maintains that the sale is in the public interest because it allows the Company to receive value for an asset that is no longer required by the Company and facilitates an upgrade to PacifiCorp’s transmission system – which is interconnected with Idaho Power’s transmission system. Idaho Power further asserts that customers’ rates will not increase as a result of this transaction. The sales price for

¹ It includes the control cabinets in a control building, a battery bank, three platforms that house the Series Capacitors, metal oxide varistors, optical current transducers, and reactors. It also includes two independent pole bypass circuit breakers, two combination air brake/grounding switches and one bypass switch.

the Bank is \$6,698,610. Idaho Power states that the purchase price is equal to the net book value of the asset, resulting in no after-tax gain or loss to either Idaho Power or PacifiCorp.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that Idaho Power requests that its Application be processed by Modified Procedure.

NOTICE OF MODIFIED PROCEDURE

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Commission has reviewed the filings of record in this case. The Commission has preliminarily found that the public interest in this matter may not require a hearing to consider the issues presented and that issues raised by the Company's filing may be processed under Modified Procedure, pursuant to Commission Rules of Procedure, IDAPA 31.01.01.201-204.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the **deadline for filing written comments or protests** with respect to Idaho Power's Application and the use of Modified Procedure in this case is **Thursday, January 21, 2010**.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that if no written comments or protests are received within the deadline, the Commission may consider the matter on its merits and will enter its Order following the public hearing. If comments or protests are filed within the deadline, the Commission will consider them and in its discretion may set the matter for formal hearing or may decide the matter and issue its Order based on the written positions before it. IDAPA 31.01.01.204.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that written comments concerning Case No. IPC-E-09-32 should be mailed to the Commission and Idaho Power at the addresses reflected below.

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

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All 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. Click the "Comments and Questions" icon and complete the comment form using the case number as it appears on the front of this document. These comments must also be sent to Idaho Power at the e-mail addresses listed above.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Application and supporting testimony have been filed with the Commission and are available for public inspection during regular business hours at the Commission offices or on the Commission's web site at www.puc.idaho.gov under "File Room" and then "Electric Cases."

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Commission will convene a public hearing in this matter. The public hearing will convene on **TUESDAY, JANUARY 26, 2010, AT 10 A.M. AT THE COMMISSION'S HEARING ROOM, 472 WEST WASHINGTON, BOISE, IDAHO.** The purpose of the public hearing will be for the Commission to take the formal testimony of customers and interested members of the public. Testimony will be recorded and made part of the Commission's formal record for decision in this matter. The Company's customers and any other interested members of the public are encouraged to attend and give testimony.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that all hearings 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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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 that the Commission may enter any final Order consistent with its authority under Title 61.

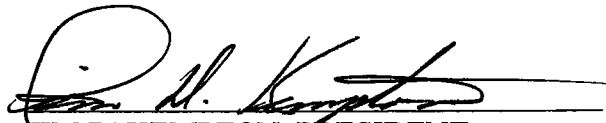
YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that all proceedings in this matter will be conducted according to the Commission's Rules of Procedure, IDAPA 31.01.01.000, *et seq.*

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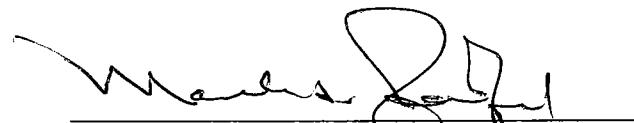
IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Application of Idaho Power requesting authority to sell to PacifiCorp the Goshen Series Capacitor Bank be processed by Modified Procedure. Persons interested in submitting written comments in this matter must do so no later than January 21, 2010.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a public hearing be held on January 26, 2010, at 10 a.m. in the Commission Hearing Room for the purpose of taking formal testimony of customers and interested members of the public.

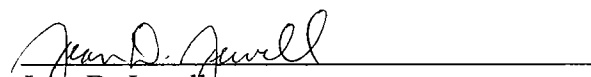
DONE by Order of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission at Boise, Idaho this 5th day of January 2010.


JIM D. KEMPTON, PRESIDENT


MARSHA H. SMITH, COMMISSIONER


MACK A. REDFORD, COMMISSIONER

ATTEST:


Jean D. Jewell
Commission Secretary

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