

**Jean Jewell**

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**From:** secretary  
**Sent:** Friday, January 28, 2011 2:42 PM  
**To:** Barb Barrows; Jean Jewell  
**Subject:** FW: Peak Reward Program

*IPC-E-10-46*

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Michael Vouros  
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January 28, 2011

Public Utilities Commissioners  
PO Box 83720  
Boise, ID 83720-0074

Dear Public Utilities Commissioners:

I would like to comment on the Idaho Power Irrigation Peak Rewards Program, case number IPC-E-10-46.

Although I have had to make significant adjustments to the management of my farming operation, this program has been a benefit by helping to offset the increasing costs of irrigation pumping.

I have made a large investment to modify my pumping station with the understanding that this program would continue into the future, now the utility is trying to modify the program.

It is difficult to plan ahead if the program keeps changing. I would like a level of certainty into the future about the continuation of this program.

Please help this cost effective program continue by keeping the incentives paid to farmers at the current levels.

Respectfully,

Michael Vouros  
208-540-2176

**Jean Jewell**

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**From:** secretary  
**Sent:** Thursday, January 27, 2011 7:33 PM  
**To:** Barb Barrows; Jean Jewell  
**Subject:** FW: IDAHO POWER

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**From:** [purctry88@aol.com](mailto:purctry88@aol.com)[SMTP:PURCTRY88@AOL.COM]  
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RICK BRUNE  
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HAZELTON, ID 83335-5255

January 27, 2011

Public Utilities Commissioners  
PO Box 83720  
Boise, ID 83720-0074

Dear Public Utilities Commissioners:

I would like to comment on the Idaho Power Irrigation Peak Rewards Program, case number IPC-E-10-46.

Although I have had to make significant adjustments to the management of my farming operation, this program has been a benefit by helping to offset the increasing costs of irrigation pumping.

The program as currently administered is good for both farmers and the utilities. With a significant reduction in the incentives to farmers, it will not be worth enough for me to continue to participate.

I am concerned that the proposed incentives are so low that very few farmers will participate and the entire program will be lost, resulting in higher rates for everybody.

Please help this cost effective program continue by keeping the incentives paid to farmers at the current levels.

Sincerely,

RICK BRUNE  
208-829-5369

**Jean Jewell**

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**From:** secretary  
**Sent:** Thursday, January 27, 2011 5:28 PM  
**To:** Barb Barrows; Jean Jewell  
**Subject:** FW: Idaho Power Irrigation Peak Rewards Program

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**From:** [wade@poveyfarms.com](mailto:wade@poveyfarms.com)[SMTP:WADE@POVEYFARMS.COM]  
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Wade Povey  
2479 Povey Rd  
American Falls, ID 83211-5144

January 27, 2011

Public Utilities Commissioners  
PO Box 83720  
Boise, ID 83720-0074

Dear Public Utilities Commissioners:

I would like to comment on the Idaho Power Irrigation Peak Rewards Program, case number IPC-E-10-46.

Although I have had to make significant adjustments to the management of my farming operation, this program has been a benefit by helping to offset the increasing costs of irrigation pumping. The program needs to stay at the current level or increase to offset the cost of irrigators putting in more hours to see that irrigation equipment is running properly after normal work day hours.

The program as currently administered is good for both farmers and the utilities. With a significant reduction in the incentives to farmers, it will not be worth enough for me to continue to participate. I require my irrigators to stay long after normal work day hours on days off to see that lines come up and are working. This costs alot more in wages that need to be compensated for through this program.

I am concerned that the proposed incentives are so low that very few farmers will participate and the entire program will be lost, resulting in higher rates for everybody.

Please help this cost effective program continue by keeping the incentives paid to farmers at the current levels.

Sincerely,

Wade Povey  
208-226-2197

**Jean Jewell**

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**From:** secretary  
**Sent:** Monday, January 31, 2011 9:48 AM  
**To:** Barb Barrows; Jean Jewell  
**Subject:** FW: Power useage incentive

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**From:** [rpoe@idahofb.org](mailto:rpoe@idahofb.org)[SMTP:RPOE@IDAHOFB.ORG]  
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Ray Poe  
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Pocatello, ID 83205-4848

January 31, 2011

Public Utilities Commissioners  
PO Box 83720  
Boise, ID 83720-0074

Dear Public Utilities Commissioners:

Idaho Power and Rocky Mountain Power have been operating programs to provide incentives for irrigators to allow the power companies to shut down their pumps when the power companies need to reduce the electrical load at peak times during the summer. These programs have been successful in allowing the power companies to better manage their peak loads and to avoid having to build additional generation and transmission. The programs have also been cost effective allowing the companies to avoid up to \$3 of additional costs for each \$1 spent on the program.

Recently, both Idaho Power and Rocky Mountain Power have filed cases with the Idaho Public Utilities Commission asking to modify the programs by reducing the incentive paid to irrigators, limiting participation and reducing program usage.

The Idaho Irrigation Pumpers Association (IIPA) is concerned that the proposed incentives are too low to entice enough participants into the program and the program will be jeopardized, thus causing pumpers to lose a beneficial opportunity, and causing the power companies to construct additional power generation and transmission that they otherwise would not have to build. This in turn will cause rates to increase to absorb the extra capital expenditures.

Please help this cost effective program continue by keeping the incentives paid to farmers at the current levels.

Sincerely,

Ray Poe  
208-236-4325

**Jean Jewell**

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**From:** secretary  
**Sent:** Saturday, January 29, 2011 2:38 PM  
**To:** Barb Barrows; Jean Jewell  
**Subject:** FW: Utilities Propose to Reduce Irrigation Incentives

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**From:** [gpolatis@gmail.com](mailto:gpolatis@gmail.com)[SMTP:GPOLATIS@GMAIL.COM]  
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GORDON POLATIS  
POB 669  
Blackfoot, ID 83221-0669

January 29, 2011

Public Utilities Commissioners  
PO Box 83720  
Boise, ID 83720-0074

Dear Public Utilities Commissioners:

I would like to comment on the Idaho Power Irrigation Peak Rewards Program, case number IPC-E-10-46.

I request that the PUC make NO changes to the current program.

The program currently is good for both farmers and the utilities.

Sincerely,

GORDON POLATIS  
208-684-3852