

BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION)	
OF IDAHO POWER COMPANY FOR)	CASE NO. IPC-E-11-08
AUTHORITY TO INCREASE ITS RATES)	
AND CHARGES FOR ELECTRIC SERVICE)	NOTICE OF SCHEDULING
IN IDAHO)	
)	NOTICE OF
)	TECHNICAL HEARING
)	
)	ORDER NO. 32316

On June 1, 2011, Idaho Power Company filed an Application seeking authority to increase the Company’s base rates for electric service in Idaho by an overall average of 9.9%. If approved, the Company’s revenues from base rates would increase by approximately \$83 million per year. The Commission suspended the Company’s proposed effective date of July 1, 2011, for a period of thirty (30) days plus five (5) months, or until January 1, 2012. *Idaho Code* § 61-622; Order No. 32272 at 4.

On June 11, 2011, the Commission issued a Notice of Application and Notice of Intervention Deadline. *Id.* Nine parties petitioned and were granted intervention: Idaho Irrigation Pumpers Association (IIPA), Industrial Customers of Idaho Power (ICIP), U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), Kroger Co., Community Action Partnership Association of Idaho (CAPAI), Micron Technology, Idaho Conservation League (ICL), Snake River Alliance (SRA), and NW Energy Coalition. The Commission issued an Amended Notice of Parties on August 2, 2011.

In response to the Commission’s Order No. 32272, Commission Staff convened an informal prehearing conference with the parties on July 20, 2011. Participating parties included: Idaho Power, Staff, ICIP, DOE, CAPAI, Micron, ICL and SRA.

NOTICE OF SCHEDULING

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that pursuant to the agreement of the parties at the prehearing conference, the Commission has adopted the following schedule to process this case:

DATE	ACTIVITY
August 31, 2011	Settlement conference
September 8, 2011	Continued settlement (if necessary)
October 7, 2011	Staff/Intervenor prefile direct testimony
October 25, 2011	Deadline for discovery requests
November 16, 2011	Rebuttal prefile testimony (all parties)
December 6-8, 2011	Technical Hearing
December 28, 2011	Target date for issuing final Order (effective January 1, 2012)

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the parties have agreed to serve discovery among themselves by attaching the discovery to an e-mail. In the event that a discovery response includes multiple attachments or workpapers (or exceeds 10 megabits in size), then the responding party shall provide the attachments/worksheets on a CD. With the exception of confidential materials, parties will not provide one another with printed copies of discovery requests or responses. Parties shall serve the Commission Secretary with an original and one printed copy of discovery requests and responses and three CDs of any attachments.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that testimony and exhibits filed in this case must conform to Procedural Rules 230 and 231. Parties shall file an original and 10 paper copies of testimony/exhibits with the Commission Secretary on the dates such documents are due. One of the 10 copies shall be marked as “reserved” for the Court Reporter and the Reporter’s copy shall be unbound, unpunched and on plain, single-sided paper.

MOTIONS AND PETITIONS

On June 21, 2011, Kroger’s local counsel filed a Motion for Limited Admission Pro Hac Vice so that the Company’s out-of-state counsel may appear before the Commission. In accordance with Procedural Rule 43, the Commission grants the Motion requesting that Kurt J. Boehm of the firm Boehm, Kurtz & Lowry be permitted to represent Kroger. IDAPA 31.01.01.043. On July 5 and 20, 2011, Micron’s local counsel also filed Motions for Limited Admission requesting the admission of Mark A. Davidson, Thorvald A. Nelson, and Frederick J. Schmidt, all of the firm of Holland & Hart. Based upon our review of the Motions, the Commission grants the Motions of Kroger and Micron.

On July 25, 2011, the NW Energy Coalition filed a Petition seeking late intervention. The Coalition indicated that it can comply with the schedule for this case set out above. Given the lack of any objection and for good cause shown, the Commission grants the late-filed Petition of NW Energy Coalition.

NOTICE OF TECHNICAL HEARING

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Commission will conduct a technical hearing on this matter on **TUESDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2011, COMMENCING AT 9:30 A.M. AT THE COMMISSION'S HEARING ROOM, 472 WEST WASHINGTON STREET, BOISE, IDAHO** and continuing as necessary through Thursday, December 8, 2011.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Commission will issue additional and later scheduling to establish dates for Staff public workshops and for public customer hearings.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that all hearings and prehearing conferences 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 specifically *Idaho Code* §§ 61-502, 61-503, 61-622, and 61-623. 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 pursuant to the Commission's Rules of Procedure, IDAPA 31.01.01.000 *et seq.*

ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the parties comply with the case schedule set out above in the body of this Order. Parties shall also comply with the discovery and filing procedures set out above.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Commission shall conduct a technical hearing in this matter on Tuesday, December 6, 2011, commencing at 9:30 a.m. and continuing as necessary through Thursday, December 8, 2011.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Kroger's and Micron's Motions for Limited Admission Pro Hac Vice are granted.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that NW Energy Coalition's late-filed Petition to Intervene is granted conditioned upon the Coalition's acceptance of the schedule as set above.

DONE by Order of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission at Boise, Idaho this 5th day of August 2011.



PAUL KJELLANDER, PRESIDENT

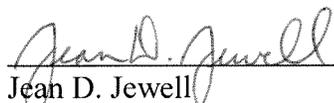


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