BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION **OF IDAHO POWER COMPANY FOR A DETERMINATION REGARDING THE** FIRM ENERGY SALES AGREEMENT WITH INTERCONNECT SOLAR **DEVELOPMENT, LLC, FOR THE SALE** AND PURCHASE OF ELECTRIC ENERGY.)

CASE NO. IPC-E-11-10

ORDER NO. 32308

On June 17, 2011, Idaho Power Company filed an Application with the Commission requesting acceptance or rejection of a 25-year Firm Energy Sales Agreement (Agreement) between Idaho Power and Interconnect Solar Development LLC (Interconnect Solar). On July 8, 2011, the Commission issued a Notice of Application and Notice of Modified Procedure setting a comment deadline of August 4, 2011. Idaho Power and Interconnect Solar were given until August 11, 2011, to file reply comments.

On July 28, 2011, Staff filed a Motion to Extend the Comment Deadlines. The Interconnect Solar Agreement is the first solar project to have rates calculated based on the IRP Methodology, and Staff stated that application of the IRP Methodology to a solar project raises new, unique issues. Staff's Motion stated its first set of production requests triggered additional questions and the need for additional review, and that Staff expects to file at least one more round of production requests.

Based on the complexity of the issues presented in this case, and in order to provide the parties time to adequately review the Agreement, the Commission approves an extension for filing comments. The Commission extends the comment period as follows:

Initial comments due	September 29, 2011
Reply comments due	October 6, 2011

ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the comment period in this case is extended so that initial comments are due by September 29, 2011, and reply comments are due by October 6, 2011.

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DONE by Order of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission at Boise, Idaho this $2^{\mu\nu}$ day of August 2011.

PAUL KJELLANDER, PRESIDENT

MACK A. REDFORD, COMMISSIONER

MARSHA H. SMITH, COMMISSIONER

ATTEST:

Jean D. Jewell (Commission Secretary

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