

BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF IDAHO POWER)
COMPANY'S 2011 INTEGRATED) **CASE NOS. IPC-E-11-11**
RESOURCE PLAN (IRP))
) **NOTICE OF FILING**
) **NOTICE OF**
) **MODIFIED PROCEDURE**
) **ORDER NO. 32356**

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that on June 30, 2011, Idaho Power Company filed an Application requesting the Commission issue an Order accepting the Company's 2011 Integrated Resource Plan (IRP). As directed in previous Commission Orders, the Company prepares and files a biennial IRP setting forth how the Company intends to serve anticipated electrical requirements of its customers. The 2011 IRP consists of four documents: (1) the 2011 Integrated Resource Plan; (2) sales and load forecast (Appendix A); (3) demand-side management 2010 annual report (Appendix B); and (4) technical appendix (Appendix C). The primary goals of Idaho Power's 2011 IRP are to: (1) identify sufficient resources to reliably serve the growing demand for energy within Idaho Power's service area throughout a 20-year planning period; (2) ensure the selected resource portfolio balances cost, risk, and environment concerns; (3) give equal and balanced treatment to both supply-side resource and demand-side measures; and (4) involve the public in the planning process in a meaningful way. Idaho Power Application, p. 3. To incorporate stakeholder and public input in the IRP, the Company works with the Integrated Resource Plan Advisory Council (IRPAC) comprised of members of the environmental community, major industrial customers, agricultural interests, Idaho state legislators, representatives of the Commission Staff, representatives from the Idaho Office of Energy Resources and the Northwest Power and Conservation Council. Idaho Power Application, p. 2.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the IRP evaluates energy needs during a two 10-year planning period (2011-2020 and 2021-2030). Idaho Power expects its number of customers to increase from around 492,000 in 2010 to more than 650,000 by the end of 2030.

Idaho Power's average load is expected to increase by 29 average MW (1.4%) annually and summer time peak hour loads are expected to increase by 69 MW (1.8%) annually through 2030.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that Idaho Power begins its 2011 IRP process by updating the forecast of future customer demand. The Company next considers existing resources, the ability to import electricity, and the performance of existing demand-side management (DSM) programs. The next step involves evaluating new DSM programs and the expansion of existing programs. Finally, Idaho Power evaluates portfolios of supply-side resources designed to eliminate any remaining deficits. Two resources identified in the 2009 IRP are considered committed resources in the 2011 IRP: (1) the 300 MW Langley Gulch combined-cycle combustion turbine that is expected to be available the summer of 2012, and (2) a 49 MW upgrade of the Shoshone Falls hydroelectric program in 2015. Energy efficiency programs from both the existing portfolio and new program opportunities included in the 2011 IRP are forecast to reduce average load by 233 aMW by 2030. The Company expects the cost to acquire energy efficiency will vary between an average of 3.6 cents per kilowatt-hour (kWh) for existing programs to 5.1 cents per kWh for new program activities and measures for the 2011 IRP. Demand response programs for 2011 IRP are targeted to reduce peak summer load by 351 MW by summer 2016.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Application states that the Company responded to specific Commission instructions when it approved the Company's 2009 IRP in Order No. 32042. Specifically, the Commission recommended the Company: (1) compare the risks, costs, and environmental benefits of strategies that directly reduce emissions from its resource mix to the purchase of emission offsets or offset options; (2) include in the 2011 IRP "a more detailed discussion on how it plans to reach its carbon reduction goals and curtail its coal operations," and recommending that the Company include the quantity of greenhouse gas emissions per average MWh associated with each portfolio; (3) "redouble its efforts to realize the achievable potential for savings from efficiency and DSM programs documented in the Nexant report," and recommending that the Company identify economic and non-economic barriers to deployment of energy efficiency and DSM initiatives; and (4) because the Company has increased reliance on natural gas in its resource portfolio, the Company address in the 2011 IRP "the risks to the Company and its customers associated with the reliance on such an

economically volatile commodity.” Idaho Power Application, p. 5. The Company states that it specifically addressed each of these directives in the 2011 IRP.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Commission has determined that the public interest may not require a formal hearing in this matter and will proceed under Modified Procedure pursuant to Rules 201 through 204 of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission’s Rules of Procedure, IDAPA 31.01.01.201-204. The Commission notes that Modified Procedure and written comments have proven to be an effective means for obtaining public input and participation.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that any person desiring to state a position on this Application may file a written comment in support or in opposition with the Commission within 60 days from the service date of this Notice. The comment must contain a statement of reasons supporting the comment.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Company and other interested parties have fourteen (14) days after the initial comment period to file reply comments.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that persons desiring a hearing must specifically request a hearing in their written comments. Written comments concerning this Application may be mailed to the Commission and Idaho Power at the addresses reflected below:

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These 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 if no written comments or protests are received within the time limit set, the Commission will consider this matter on its merits and enter its Order without a formal hearing. If written comments are received within the time limit set, the Commission will consider them and, in its discretion, may set the same for formal hearing.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Application and supporting workpapers 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 by clicking on "File Room" and then "Electric Cases."

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 pursuant to the Commission's Rules of Procedure, IDAPA 31.01.01.000 et seq.

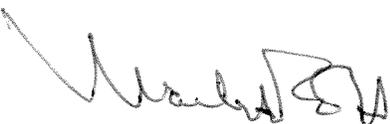
ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Idaho Power Company's Application requesting acceptance of its 2011 Integrated Resource Plan (IRP) be processed by Modified Procedure, IDAPA 31.01.01.201-.204. Persons interested in submitting written comments in this matter must do so within 60 days from the service date of this Notice. The Company and other interested parties have 14 days after the initial comment period to file reply comments.

DONE by Order of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission at Boise, Idaho this 14th
day of September 2011.



PAUL KJELLANDER, PRESIDENT

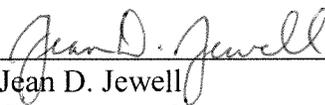


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