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## **Petition for Reconsideration**

Case No. IPC-E-12-27  
Order No. 32846

### ***Introduction***

I have two Idaho Power Co. accounts that are net metered with small hydro power. Due to the consistent nature of small hydro operations, net excess energy is produced at these net metered locations. This net excess energy is converted to dollar amounts. I also developed, operate, and am a part owner of a hydro-electric project (FERC #6271) that sells its electrical production to Idaho Power Co. through a PURPA contract.

I feel that the intent of the net metered tariffs No. 29 and earlier was two-fold. First, the intent was to foster energy independence and innovations, and second was to provide a chance for Idaho Power customers to generate some or all of their own electrical needs, and receive financial benefit for their extra energy contribution fed back to the grid.

The Idaho Public Utilities Commission (IPUC) and Idaho Power Co. (IPCO) should be applauded for the success of this net metering program. The program has almost met the initial 2.9 megawatt goal, is simple to implement and understand, and straight-forward in regards to laws and regulations. Idaho Power representative Scott Gates has been a great person to co-ordinate the program and deal with. The program has provided financial incentives for Idaho Power customers to invest in renewable energy.

I agree with most portions of IPUC Order No. 32846 except for the portion dealing with excess net energy which I feel is unreasonable.

### ***Order No 32846 is Unreasonable***

When I was investigating the merit and feasibility of net-metering my small hydro, I asked Idaho Power Co. if excess net energy measured at a net metered location could be used at my other Idaho Power Co. service locations. The answer was that Idaho Power Company's accounting system was not set up to "move" excess the KWH to another service location or locations. It was simpler to convert the excess KWH to a dollar amount that the customer could then use to pay the accounts at their other service locations. Myself and others built and interconnected their net metered systems to move