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**BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**

**IN THE MATTER OF IDAHO POWER )**  
**COMPANY'S APPLICATION TO APPROVE OR )** **CASE NO. IPC-E-15-07**  
**REJECT ITS ENERGY SALES AGREEMENT )**  
**WITH THE IDAHO DEPARTMENT OF WATER )** **COMMENTS OF THE**  
**RESOURCES. )** **COMMISSION STAFF**  
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**COMES NOW** the Staff of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission, by and through its Attorney of record, Daphne Huang, Deputy Attorney General, and in response to the Notice of Application and Notice Modified Procedure issued in Order No. 33277 on April 14, 2015, in Case No. IPC-E-15-07, submits the following comments.

**BACKGROUND**

On March 31, 2015, Idaho Power Company filed an Application asking the Commission to approve or reject its Energy Sales Agreement (ESA) with the Idaho Department of Water Resources (IDWR). Under that agreement, IDWR would sell, and Idaho Power would purchase, electric energy generated by the Pristine Springs #1 hydro project (Facility) located near Jerome, Idaho.