BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

| IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION |) | |
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| OF IDAHO POWER COMPANY FOR A |) | CASE NO. IPC-E-16-28 |
| CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE |) | |
| AND NECESSITY FOR THE WOOD RIVER |) | NOTICE OF SCHEDULE |
| VALLEY |) | |
| |) | NOTICE OF |
| |) | TECHNICAL HEARING |
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| |) | ORDER NO. 33705 |
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On November 8, 2016, Idaho Power Company filed an Application for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (CPCN) to make system improvements and to secure adequate and reliable service to customers in the Wood River Valley. The Company wishes to construct a new 138 kilovolt (kV) transmission line and related facilities "to provide redundant service from the Wood River substation near Hailey into the Ketchum substation," and asks that the CPCN permit the particular line route and facilities identified in testimony accompanying the Application. Application at 1-2.

The Commission issued a Notice of Application and set a deadline for Petitions to Intervene. Order No. 33657. The Commission granted timely Petitions to Intervene from Kiki Leslie A. Tidwell, Laura Midgeley, the Sierra Club, the Idaho Conservation League, and the City of Ketchum. Order Nos. 33675, 33683. On January 13, 2017, CoxCom, LLC filed a petition requesting late intervention, which is pending.

The parties conferred informally and agreed – or did not object – to process the Application via a technical hearing before the Commission and to a proposed schedule. Staff filed the proposed schedule with the Commission.

With this Order, we adopt the proposed schedule for the filing of direct, rebuttal, and sur-rebuttal testimony. We also set dates for and provide notice of a technical hearing at which the parties' witnesses may testify. We will provide notice of a public hearing for the Company's customers at a later date.

The Commission Secretary sent the Notice of Application, Order No. 33657, to local governments in the Company's service territory. As a result, local governments were provided notice of their opportunity to participate in this proceeding. Nonetheless, as additional notice,

NOTICE OF SCHEDULE NOTICE OF TECHNICAL HEARING ORDER NO. 33705 we direct the Commission Secretary to send this Order and Notice to Blaine County and the Cities of Sun Valley and Hailey, potentially affected governmental entities which have not intervened in this proceeding.

NOTICE OF SCHEDULE

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the Commission adopts the following schedule for this proceeding:

| DATE | ACTIVITY |
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| May 5, 2017 | Staff and Intervenor Prefile Direct Testimony |
| June 23, 2017 | All Parties' Rebuttal Testimony |
| July 14, 2017 | Company Sur-rebuttal Testimony |
| August 8-9, 2017 | Technical Hearing |
| Date and Time to be determined | Public Hearing |

NOTICE OF TECHNICAL HEARING

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Commission will conduct a technical hearing in this case. The purpose of the technical hearing is to take testimony from the parties (the Company, Staff, and any intervenors). The technical hearing shall convene at <u>9:30 A.M.</u> (MST) TUESDAY, AUGUST 8, 2017, IN THE COMMISSION HEARING ROOM AT 472 WEST WASHINGTON STREET, BOISE, IDAHO, AND CONTINUE WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 9, 2017, OR BEYOND AS MAY BE NECESSARY. Parties intending to present testimony and exhibits shall submit the prepared testimony and exhibits as set out in the schedule above. Parties shall present their evidence at the technical hearing. The prepared testimony and exhibits must conform to the requirements of Rules 231, 266, and 267 of the Commission's Rules of Procedure, IDAPA 31.01.01.231, .266-.267.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that, besides a technical hearing, the Commission will conduct one or more public hearings for customers who wish to testify in this case. A Notice of Public Hearing will issue at a later date that will explain how customers may participate in the hearing.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that all workshops and hearings 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:

IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION PO BOX 83720 BOISE, IDAHO 83720-0074 (208) 334-0338 (Telephone) (208) 334-3762 (FAX) E-Mail: secretary@puc.idaho.gov

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 above-referenced schedule is adopted.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Commission Secretary will send this Order and Notice to Blaine County and the Cities of Sun Valley and Hailey.

DONE by Order of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission at Boise, Idaho this day of January 2017.

this 26 th

PAUL KJELLANDER, PRESIDENT

KRISTINE RAPER, COMMISSIONER

ERIC ANDERSON, COMMISSIONER

ATTEST:

Diane M. Hanian Commission Secretary

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