DECISION MEMORANDUM

SUPPLEMENT TO THE DECISION MEMORANDUM IN

CASE NO. IPC-E-96-17, DATED SEPTEMBER 9, 1996

TO:COMMISSIONER NELSON

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FROM:BRAD PURDY

DATE:OCTOBER 21, 1996

RE:CASE NO.  IPC-E-96-17

On October 21, 1996, the Idaho Power Company filed a Response to the Comments submitted by the Industrial Customers of Idaho Power (ICIP) and the Idaho Retailers Association (Retailers) in this case.

Idaho Power contends that both the Retailers and ICIP have missed the point of the Company’s Application which is to provide for a voluntary special contract for customers whose loads exceed 10 MWS.  Idaho Power notes that the 25 MW threshold currently in place requires a special contract for customers whose loads exceed that level.  The Company further points out that the original 25 MW threshold was not determined by any cost of service calculation but, rather, was based on administrative convenience.  The Company argues that there is no reason why this limit cannot be lowered.  Idaho Power reminds the parties that any contract submitted pursuant to the revised Schedule 19 would be subject to Commission review in light of the criteria set forth in Idaho Code § 61-315.

Brad Purdy

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