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Jean Jewell

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To: Jean Jewell; Ed Howell; Gene Fadness; Tonya Clark
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Case: PAC-E-05-09
Name: David & Melanie Schwendiman
Street Address: 2573 N 15000 E
City: Newdale
State: Idaho
ZIP: 83436
Home Telephone: 208-458-4513
E-Mail: mschwen@fretel.com
Company: Schwendiman Wind LLC
mailing_list_yes_no: yes

Comment description: In reference to the Schwendiman Wind LLC case we are very much in favor of continuing this project. In the past four years we have worked closely with very knowledgeable people who have had previous experience in wind farm developments. Much effort has been made to work closely with Pacificorp to follow their rules and regulations and we feel we have a good contract with them that will benefit the consumer, the utility and members of the wind project.

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City: Newdale
State: Idaho
ZIP: 83436
Home Telephone: 208-458-4513
E-Mail: mschwen@fretel.com
Company: Schwendiman Wind LLC
mailing_list_yes_no: ~~yes~~
Comment_description: Cont.

We have erected a test tower and found this particular area on our farm to be an excellent site for wind turbines.

Because we are in the agricultural business we are concerned with conserving our natural resources and that by developing a wind turbine project we will help out in this effort. We feel that by being allowed to continue with this project in promoting a renewable energy source, as a small wind project, we will have a positive effect on the future.

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Case: PAC-E-05-09
Name: Diane Schwendiman
Street_Address: 9633 East Hwy 33
City: Newdale
State: Idaho
ZIP: 83436
Home_Telephone: 208-458-4261
E-Mail: vschwendiman@nstep.net
Company: Schwendiman Wind LLC
mailing_list_yes_no: yes

Comment_description: We as a family have been interested in producing a wind farm for several years. Being farmers, we are anxious to make use of all the resources around us. Wind is not always a favorite of anyone, but when we found that there was a possibility of turning it into a positive commodity, we became excited for there are several areas on the farm that are not very productive farm wise, but are areas where the wind is usually fairly strong. We began to do research to find if this could be a possibility and have spent several years exploring different aspects to make it come true. We felt that the government was encouraging the land owners to use their resources and to develop what they had at hand. We are excited that we have the ability to produce clean electricity with the natural resources that we have. I feel that our project and others similar have a lot to offer to our community. Smaller projects, I feel, will compliment the larger projects, giving those that have the desire to develop and grow and be successful on a smaller scale. It has been a good project for our family to work and develop for our future and others. We have visited several wind farms and have been impressed with the power they produce and also of the beauty of them. Yes, we are in favor of PURPA projects and feel that they should be able to continue. Thank You, Diane Schwendiman

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Case: pac-e-05-09
Name: Gary Seifert. EE PE
Street Address: PO 1625-ms 3810
City: Idaho Falls
State: Idaho
ZIP: 83415-3810
Home Telephone: 208-521-8385
E-Mail: gary.seifert@inl.gov
Company: PacifiCorp
mailing_list_yes_no: yes

Comment_description: I would like to recommend approval of this Power Purchase Agreement between PacifiCorp and Schwendiman Wind as written. I have several years experience working conventional and renewable power systems work and I am a PE with over 26 years experience and offer comments as an independent subject matter expert in this area and as a private Idaho Citizen. I am not representing INL, only my personal opinions and comments

I would also like to recommend approval of the availability based incentive clauses as written. This clause offers an alternative to Idaho Powers policy of 90/110. I recommend this for five reasons.

1. I agree that both wind farms and utilities should share in the benefits and risks of these operations. Both the availability based and 90/110 processes add ownership and share the liability and benefits incentivizing the wind developers to remain available and providing maximum power for grid support.
2. The 90/110 process is a unique approach not replicated (to my knowledge) anywhere else in the USA, whereas the availability process is based on the operational experience of a utility that has several years experience integrating wind across several states.
3. The availability process takes advantage of the utilities operational experience, rather than trying to impose undue forecasting requirements on the wind developers (who are small agricultural entities, not meteorological wind or power system operation experts).
4. The availability process makes the wind operator responsible for something they have control of (well maintained, reliable operating machines) in contrast to being at the whims of weather systems that can change after predictions are issued.
5. Both processes incentivize wind production and reliability; However - the 90/110 is more of a penalty driven incentive contrasted to the availability process being more of an incentive to be reliable and available.

I also recommend this project be approved for the following reasons.

- This project has been in process for over three years.
- This project is part of the USDA rural development grant program and has already passed USDA due diligence
- This project is in alignment with what the State legislature had in mind when they incentivized rural wind development with their tax incentives last session
- This project is in alignment with the rules and intent of PURPA
- This project has excellent wind and will benefit rural communities and agricultural families
- The rates that they have negotiated are significantly lower than any of the gas turbines operating in the region and help PacifiCorp offset peak power expenses
- Power delivered through these PURPA contracts offers performance benefits similar to localized load reduction and improves voltage regulation at no cost to the ratepayer
- PacifiCorp and Schwendiman Wind have come to agreement and are in alignment with the

intent and policies of both PacifiCorp and the PUC's

- This project makes sense because it provides power at a stable and predictable price cheaper than upcoming power sources, is homegrown energy that contributes to national security, and it produces clean, non-polluting energy

Please contact me at gary.seifert@inl.gov (208-521-8385) for questions or comments. Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

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Case: PAC-E-05-09
Name: Karl L. Smith
Street_Address: 8003 E. Lincoln Rd
City: Idaho Falls
State: Idaho
ZIP: 83401

Home_Telephone: 208 523 5592
E-Mail: solarelect@aol.com
Company: Utah Power Area

mailing_list_yes_no: yes

Comment_description: The Schwendiman/Pacificorp(Utah Power) purchase agreement should be approved by the commission.

Reasons:

- 1) The wind farm is in the public interest, because it allows electrical energy to be generated locally using environmentally clean methods rather than be imported to this service area primarily from fossil fuel generation in Wyoming.
- 2) Disallowing the application discriminates against the small power producer; namely, Schwendiman. Their project through Utah Power has almost nothing to do with the reasons given by Idaho Power's request for a moratorium on wind development.
- 3) The Schwendiman project has been well underway for several years and certainly should qualify for so called "grandfathering."
- 4) The moratorium on wind development appears to service the special interest of Idaho Power rather than for wind development in the entire state of Idaho. In my opinion, the moratorium on wind development is not in the best interest of the people of Idaho.

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Case: PAC-E-05-09
Name: Allen Haroldsen
Street Address: 1230 Bingham Ave
City: Idaho Falls
State: ID
ZIP: 83402
Home Telephone: 208-529-2346
E-Mail: art@ida.net
Company: Idaho Falls Power
mailing_list_yes_no: no
Comment_description: We need to have the wind farms, and any other althernative source of power, here in SE Idaho just so we will not be quite so much at the mercy of nature.

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Case: Schwenderman Purpa Wind Project
Name: Tim Parkinson
Street_Address: 2581 west 1000 south
City: Rexburg
State: Idaho
ZIP: 83440
Home_Telephone: 208-356-9164
E-Mail: tprknsn@srv.net
Company:

mailing_list_yes_no: yes
Comment_description: Congradulations; This is the first possitive energy news I've of heard in a long time. Wind power at 6 cents a kilowatt will proable be the cheapest power to come on line in the next ten years. With spiriling natural gas prices and no hope for future hyro plants we need more clean electic sources. You need more Renewable energy projects within the state. This project with in the state Will mean more local revenue and property value for taxation. More purpa wind contracts like this located accross the state will tend to stabilize the flow of power as opposed to large concentrated projects. I can't believe you are really consider reducing the size of the current purpa wind projects to an uneconomical size, thus eliminating any future locally owned projects. You need to look at europe where as high as 20% of their electricty is produced small community wind projects. Wind will become cheaper and more reliable than hydro in the future as a source of energy.

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Case: PAC-E-05-09
Name: VAL
Street Address: SCHWENDIMAN
City: NEWDALE
State: IDAHO
ZIP: 83436
Home Telephone: (208)458-4261
E-Mail: VSCHWENDIMAN@NSTEP.NET
Company: SCHWENDIMAN WIND LLC
mailing_list_yes_no: yes

Comment description: I would like to express support for resolution of the PURPA issue and feel that big wind and small wind projects each have their place in the production of wind energy. Using both would help to create a balanced approach to wind power and the future electrical needs of the Idaho rate payer. In my opinion, the PURPA projects would add additional balance, and involve more of the private developers and land owners in Idaho.

In the last four years, we as a family have worked hard to understand and accomplish the parameters set forth under the PURPA guidelines to erect wind turbines and generate power on our property east of Idaho Falls. We have closely followed the guidelines, spent considerable money, along with many other investors. We feel that we should not be denied the opportunity to invest and succeed. We are very unhappy that Idaho Power has attempted to undo years of work by privately owned investors.

Small wind projects can bolster the power grid system in smaller areas, thus helping the total power grid. The contract that we have signed with Pacificorp is a well rounded contract and we feel that it meets all the requirements that a good contract should. I hope that the contract can be passed as submitted so that we can look at this project as an example of a world class wind site.
thanks
Val Schwendiman

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Case: PAC-E-05-09
Name: George Beitel
Street Address: 1924 Balboa
City: Idaho Falls
State: ID
ZIP: 83404
Home Telephone: 208-522-9849
E-Mail: vegus@cableone.net
Company: PacificCorp

mailing_list_yes_no: yes
Comment_description: I would like to express my favorable opinion regarding the establishment of a wind farm. They have selected a hill on which it is impractical to bring water to, and a hill which has few other profitable alternatives. Adding a wind farm to harness the otherwise annoying wind, when energy alternatives are dwindling is one of the more appropriate options for that location. More power to them. I want to see Schwendiman Wind LLC succeed.

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Case: PAC-E-05-09
Name: Gerald Fleischman
Street Address: 11535 Hazeldale Ct.
City: Boise
State: ID
ZIP: 83713
Home Telephone: 208-376-2148
E-Mail: gfleisch986@hotmail.com
Company:

mailing_list_yes_no: yes
Comment_description: This is the kind of contract wind should have. It has incentives for the project to maintain availability based on the guarantees of the turbine manufacturers. This is something over which developers and operators effect through their management decisions as compared to penalties based on something over which wind projects have little control. It makes sense that if there are incentives (in this case based on penalties for non-performance in availability factor) they should somehow be related to factors over which operators have some control.

There is little doubt that integrating wind power into our existing system will be a challenge. A challenge requires innovation and creativity to overcome not legal manipulation. I comment PacifiCorp for taking the route of creativity, innovation and real thought in the process of developing this contract with the developers of the Schwendiman project. Perhaps because this is a regulated industry a queue could be created for PURPA projects. But wind power will likely be the lowest cost energy resource into the foreseeable future and has the least price volatility. In addition to recent rises in the price of natural gas international coal prices have taken a leap in the last few weeks. Can new coal-fired plants divorce themselves from global energy markets? Is it reasonable to have confidence in that 20-year contracts for coal delivery can be fulfilled without the safety net of production cost adjustments? I think natural gas plants have proven that at least for gas, they can't.

Is it in the public interest to give an unfair advantage to one generating resource over another by influencing utilities' generation procurement decisions by masking weaknesses of one and not the other? (by this I mean the price volatility of one, coal or natural gas, vs. the generation timing (intermittency) of the other, wind). These factors say there is a great deal of public interest in maintaining pressure on investor-owned utilities to innovate.

Where do companies get incentives to innovate? From competition. Where to monopolies get competition? From something like PURPA. For these reasons I encourage you to approve the PURPA contract developed between the Schwendiman's and PacifiCorp. It is a model for future PURPA. It puts incentives where they are needed and reflects the true nature of wind and the needs of the utility.

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Case: PAC-E-05-09
Name: Kurt Myers
Street Address: 2525 Fremont Ave.
City: Idaho Falls
State: ID
ZIP: 83415-3810
Home Telephone: 208-522-5279
E-Mail: Kurt.Myers@inl.gov
Company: Idaho National Laboratory
mailing_list_yes_no: yes

Comment_description: I would like to recommend approval of this Power Purchase Agreement between PacifiCorp and Schwendiman Wind. This project has been in development for several years now and both sides agree it would be beneficial to add to the mix of power generation resources. As a citizen of Idaho, I believe this project makes sense because it provides power at a stable and predictable price and is homegrown energy that contributes to national security and the production of clean, non-polluting energy. This PPA makes more sense to me than does the Idaho Power PURPA contract with the 90/110 band in it. This PPA with PacifiCorp avoids the administrative and other substantial technical headaches caused by trying to predict the wind (on a monthly scale instead of hour-ahead or annually) and then determine penalties for the times when you miss the prediction (which is a problem with the 90/110 contract). This PacifiCorp contract should foster more truthful communication between utility and power producer as to what the production estimates are, and the contract is based upon the wind generation facility producing as much power as possible based on the wind that was available. There are many incentives for the wind generation facility to keep its turbines fully operational at all times.

I would also comment that this contract should be approved regardless of the current mess with Idaho Power, PURPA contracts and grandfathering. PacifiCorp is a different utility that has no PURPA contracts proposed or completed in Idaho besides this proposed contract with Schwendiman Wind. They are probably not worried about Idaho PURPA contracts affecting their prospects for larger wind farm development at this time because of the current PURPA situation. Idaho Power and Windland's problems with too many possible PURPA projects and 350 MW or less total of wind power generation should in no way translate or affect PacifiCorp's ability to acquire the amount, size and type of wind power generation that they deem is appropriate. The wind resource at the Schwendiman site is one of the best resources in the State, and it would be a shame to miss this opportunity for development of a wind power project at an excellent wind site. Some of the other proposed wind farm developments in Idaho don't have as good of a wind resource as Schwendiman's does, so let's get a really good one installed early in our wind power development process so that everyone benefits.

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Case: PAC-E-05-09
Name: Russell & Malissa Schwendiman
Street Address:
City: Ririe
State: ID
ZIP: 83443
Home Telephone:
E-Mail: rsfarms@ida.net

Company:
Comment description: We would like to express our concern on the 90/110 ban and that we are against seeing this ban included. We feel that not having this ban in there is better for the wind project and the ratepayer. We are greatly in favor of our purpa contract with PacifiCorp and look forward to this opportunity of providing future alternative energy in Idaho and opening the door for much needed income for farmers and equally important rural economic development.

Sincerely,
Russell & Malissa Schwendiman

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Case: PAC-E-05-09
Name: J A Finlinson
Street Address: 3170 Western Ave
City: Ammon
State: ID
ZIP: 83406-7631
Home Telephone: 208-529-4106
E-Mail: finjed@ida.net

Company: Utah Power
mailing_list_yes_no: yes

Comment description: Having seen wind generating at work in other countries, e.g., New Caledonia in 1998-1999, we are in favor of any resonably priced and environmentally clean alternative for supplying electric power, particularly if it allows for small business input.

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Case: PAC-E-05-09.
Name: Richard J. Hill
Street Address: 4190N, 1572 E
City: Buhl
State: ID
ZIP: 83316
Home Telephone: 208/543-4058
E-Mail: drick@d412.k12.id.us
Company: ID Power

mailing_list_yes_no: yes
Comment_description: I strongly believe the implementation of all forms of alternative energy sources, including wind power, should be a high priority of all PUCs. We must replace "old thinking" with new insights relative to energy sources. Both water and wind are admittedly variable energy sources (i.e., weather conditions), but the comparative start-up costs of wind power is pennies on the dollar when compared to new dams -- at one time the bureauracy believed hydro-power was the answer -- now it's time to rethink this sheltered paradigm of an exclusive energy source. It's time to move on to new technologies.

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Case: PAC-E-05-09
Name: Jerry Brady
Street Address: 999 S. Lee
City: Idaho Falls
State: Idaho
ZIP: 83404

Home Telephone: 208 522 9353
E-Mail: bradyforidaho.com ~~not~~ org - jerrybrady@bradyforidaho.org or (jbrady@postregister.com)
Company: Idaho Power

mailing_list_yes_no: yes

Comment_description: I appreciate this opportunity to comment. As I understand how the IPUC proposes to handle the Schwendiman case, imposing a stiff 90/10 requirement will discourage or kill a lot of PURPA power, either by making projects un-economic entirely or causing delays which will make them un-economic next year. By adding the 90/10 requirement as prosed in this and other PURPA wind cases, you will: (1) undermine smaller, farm-based projects while favoring large one, thus driving out one important source of sustainable, non-fossil fuel; (2) cause delays and uncertainties for PURPA producers which will add to costs; (3) cause delays in placing equipment orders until costs have escalated; (4) dry up credit for PURPA wind projects; and (5) undermine the intent of the Idaho tax credit which will sunset before many PURPA projects are born. Staff would appear to be making the 90/10 rule as onerous and discouraging as possible by imposing severe penalties for falling outside 90/10, even by a single percent. Instead, the Commission might view Idaho Power's natural gase-based peaking capacity as the backup and balancing source, offsetting wind's shortfalls collectively--or find other sources to do so outside of these many small projects. Wind is inherently intermittent; operators cannot predict its frequency or velocity. Nonetheless we must maximize its use by creative means possible at your disposal. As it happens, I was the staff director for energy on the Joint Economic Committee when PURPA was passed (1978); your draft application of the 90/10 rule in this case, as I understand it, seems contrary to the intent of PURPA. PURPA is more important now than in 1978 because our country's dependence on fossil fuels is more dangerous now than then. We have limited time to transition to alternative fuels. The avoided rate mechanism was meant to encourage this transition, not discourage it. As I understand it, PacificCorp, with more experience with wind, does not penalize wind in this manner and neither should you or Idaho Power. PacificCorp rewards constant availability thereby rewarding maintainance while taking responsibility itself for balancing its load. I recommend this approach to you. Related to PURPA and non-PURPA wind (but not this case) is the long-term prospect of producing energy from animal waste in manure-rich Magic Valley. Green energy from animal waste can be encouraged through enforcement of air and water quality laws and a favorable regulatory environment at the PUC. Were Idaho to maximize green energy it could both become self-sustaining in meeting its own energy needs and roll it's surplus energy into exports headed for jurisdictions which require a percentage of green energy (which Idaho should do as well). Thank you for reading this. Please consider my comments favorably in the Schwendiman application.

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Name: Becci Tupper
Street Address: 1114 E. 2700 S.
City: Hagerman
State: Idaho
ZIP: 83332
Home Telephone: 2088374078
E-Mail: becci@magiclink.com
Company: idaho power

mailing_list_yes_no: yes

Comment_description: Being a free socieity I think that there is know question that local people, of the United States, should have the right to own and operate wind farms. If they can not that will be UNAMERICAN!!!!

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Sunday, September 11, 2005
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Case: PAC-E-05-09
Name: Renee Sessler
Street Address: 9272 W Cascade Street
City: Boise
State: ID
ZIP: 83704
Home Telephone: 503-998-2159
E-Mail: rcc821@hotmail.com
Company: Idaho Power
mailing_list_yes_no: no
Comment_description: I fully support wind mills for an alternative energy source and encourage Idaho Power to do all possible to ensure more and more of these are established in Idaho.

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Jean Jewell

From: Ed Howell
Sent: Friday, September 09, 2005 6:02 PM
To: Jean Jewell; Ed Howell; Gene Fadness; Tonya Clark
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Friday, September 09, 2005
5:01:32 PM

Case: PAC-E-05-09
Name: paul Jordan
Street_Address: 1885 eagle dr.
City: ammon
State: idaho
ZIP: 83406-6501
Home_Telephone: 208-529-3738
E-Mail: paul8@onewest.net
Company: utah power
mailing_list_yes_no: no
Comment_description: I am excited about this proposed wind farm and hope you approve it.

I have had an intrest in wind power for some time.

I am anxious to see the wolverine creek wind farm up and running by the end of this year.

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To: Jean Jewell; Ed Howell; Gene Fadness; Tonya Clark
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Friday, September 09, 2005
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Case: PAC-E-05-09
Name: Jeris Haskins
Street Address: 5908 Cruzen
City: Boise
State: Idaho
ZIP: 83704
Home Telephone:
E-Mail: Jeris.Haskins@Weyerhaeuser.com
Company: Pacific Corp

mailing_list_yes_no: yes

Comment_description: The Schwendiman project is a good project. This wind project will greatly increase the revenue for the local economy. Plus it is good clean wind energy. I am for this project. Please don't let it get defeated. Please don't let Idaho Power hold up this project. Being raised on a farm, I know how important this project is for the farmers and for the communities. Thank-you for your time. Jeris Haskins

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Jean Jewell

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To: Jean Jewell; Ed Howell; Gene Fadness; Tonya Clark
Subject: Comment acknowledgement

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Friday, September 09, 2005
3:38:03 PM

Case: PAC-E-05-09
Name: Mike Eckert
Street Address: 4900N.712E.
City: Buhl
State: Idaho
ZIP: 83316
Home Telephone: 208-543-9091
E-Mail: mikeeckert@safelink.com
Company: Pacific Corp.

mailing_list_yes_no: yes

Comment_description: This is good small individual wind project and should proceed without any more problems from Idaho Power. It will benefit the economy greatly. It is good clean energy and all small wind projects should move forward without any more arguments from large wind projects and Idaho Power.... thanks... Mike Eckert

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To: Jean Jewell; Ed Howell; Gene Fadness; Tonya Clark
Subject: Comment acknowledgement

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Friday, September 09, 2005
3:12:54 PM

Case: PAC-E-05-09
Name: Norman M. Eckert
Street Address: 4791N.700E,
City: Buhl
State: Idaho
ZIP: 83316
Home Telephone: 208-543-5996
E-Mail: eckertnormanrosi@hotmail.com
Company: Pacific Corp.

mailing_list_yes_no: yes

Comment_description: Dear sirs, I think the Schwendiman wind project is a very good deal. It will help the local economy thru property taxes, etc. Please don't hold up because of the problems with Idaho Power. This project should go forward without any strings attached. Small wind projects, which are individual owned, like this is good for the ratepayer and should move forward. Sincerely Norman M. Eckert

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Jean Jewell

From: Ed Howell
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To: Jean Jewell; Ed Howell; Gene Fadness; Tonya Clark
Subject: Comment acknowledgement

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Tuesday, September 13, 2005
3:20:30 PM

Case: PAC-E-05-09
Name: Stan Schwendiman
Street Address: 12241 E 3749 N
City: Newdale
State: Idaho
ZIP: 83436
Home Telephone: (208)458-9807
E-Mail: sswend@fretel.com

Company:

mailing_list_yes_no: yes

Comment_description: My wife Jody and I are part of Schwendiman Wind LLC, and we have been working on this project since 1998. We finally have been able to secure a power purchase agreement with Pacificorp, that we feel will be beneficial to all involved. We are excited that we will be able to add wind as another diversification to our farming operation. We feel as opportunities present themselves to develop energy resources in this area, that have no significant impact on the environment, we are improving Idaho.
Thank You Stan and Jody Schwendiman

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To: Jean Jewell; Ed Howell; Gene Fadness; Tonya Clark
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Tuesday, September 13, 2005
3:53:48 PM

Case: PAC-E-05-09
Name: Todd A. Haynes
Street_Address: 310 S. Garden St.
City: Boise
State: ID
ZIP: 83705
Home_Telephone: 208-283-5846
E-Mail: ToddHaynes@boisestate.edu
Company: Id Power
mailing_list_yes_no: yes
Comment_description:

September 13, 2005

Re: CASE #: PAC-E-05-09

I am writing this letter in support of the proposed Power Purchase Agreement between PacifiCorp and Schwendiman Wind, LLC. I have been working on distributed power generation projects, including wind energy projects, for several years. I am currently taking graduate coursework at Boise State University in pursuit of my Master's Degree in Mechanical Engineering. I received my bachelor's degree at Boise State and I am an Engineer-in-Training. At Boise State I am working as a research assistant on wind energy projects. My comments regarding this matter are personal opinions and do not represent Boise State University.

I believe that the Public Utilities Commission should approve the PacifiCorp-Swendiman agreement because it will provide a long-term, low-cost supply of electricity for the people of Idaho at a time when energy prices are skyrocketing.

The price of all fuel-based energy is increasing rapidly and is expected to continue to increase for the foreseeable future. This includes not only the well-documented price of oil, but also the prices of natural gas and coal. The majority of Idaho's electricity will be generated from coal and natural gas in the near future, yet the prices of these fuels are very volatile. In contrast, the price of electricity generated at the proposed Schwendiman Wind project will be fixed for 20-years.

Projects such as the Schwendiman Wind Farm provide a great benefit to Idaho's ratepayers. They guarantee low-price electricity for 20 years. Not only should this project be approved, but more projects like this should be encouraged. Recent legislation from both the state (tax incentives on purchase of renewable-energy-generating equipment) and the federal (energy bill encourages renewable energy generation) governments strongly support additional renewable energy projects. I sincerely hope that the IPUC follows suit and approves the PacifiCorp-Swendiman agreement; it is in the best interest of all Idaho ratepayers.

Feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Regards,

Todd A. Haynes, EIT