(text box: 1)BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

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|   EARTH POWER RESOURCES, INC., Complainant,vs.THE WASHINGTON WATER POWER COMPANY,Respondent. | ))))))))))) | CASE NO. WWP-E-96-6NOTICE OF SCHEDULINGNOTICE OF HEARING  |

On July 3, 1996, Earth Power Resources, Inc. (Earth Power) a Nevada corporation, filed a complaint against Washington Water Power Company (Water Power; Company) with the Idaho Public Utilities Commission (Commission).  Reference IDAPA 31.01.01.043.  Earth Power represents that it is the developer of two 1 MW geothermal PURPA qualifying projects located at Allen Springs (QF 96-15-000) and Lee Hot Springs (QF 95-1-001) in Churchill County, Nevada.  Earth Power represents that it initiated negotiations with Water Power on December 5, 1995.  Earth Power contends that it has offered to sell the output of of its two facilities to Water Power and that Water Power has refused to purchase at rates, terms and conditions that Earth Power believes that it is otherwise entitled to.

On July  26, 1996, Water Power filed a response with the Commission.  Water Power denies that its actions reflect a refusal to negotiate with Earth Power and contends that it has acted in accordance with Commission Orders and policy.  Water Power denies that Earth Power is entitled to receive payment for its power at the requested rates.

Pursuant to agreement of the parties and the Commission, YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a public hearing in Case No. WWP-E-96-6 is scheduled to begin THURSDAY, OCTOBER 9, 1997, COMMENCING AT 9:30 A.M. IN THE COMMISSION HEARING ROOM, 472 WEST WASHINGTON STREET, BOISE, IDAHO (208) 334-0300.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the prepared testimony and exhibits of the parties must conform to the requirements of Rules 230, 231, 266 and 267 of the Commission’s Rules of Procedure, IDAPA 31.01.01.230-231; 266-267.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the parties in Case No. WWP-E-96-6 have agreed to the following scheduling for completion of prefile of testimony and exhibits:

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| September 12, 1997September 24, 1997 | WWP prefile of direct testimonyEarth Power prefile of rebuttal testimony |

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that all proceedings in this case will be held pursuant to the Commission’s jurisdiction under Title 61 of the Idaho Code, the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978 (PURPA) and the implementing regulations of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, and that the Commission may enter any final Order consistent with its authority.

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.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that all hearings and prehearing conferences in this matter will be held in facilities meeting the accessibility requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act.  Persons needing the help of a sign language interpreter or other assistance of the kind that the Commission is obligated to provide under the Americans with Disabilities Act in order to participate in or to understand the 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:

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DATED at Boise, Idaho this day of August 1997.

Myrna J. Walters

Commission Secretary

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**COMMENTS AND ANNOTATIONS**

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Service Date

September 2, 1997