

## DECISION MEMORANDUM

**TO: COMMISSIONER KJELLANDER  
COMMISSIONER SMITH  
COMMISSIONER REDFORD  
COMMISSION SECRETARY  
COMMISSION STAFF**

**FROM: DONOVAN E. WALKER**

**DATE: JUNE 18, 2007**

**SUBJECT: LESEBERG COMPLAINT AGAINST INTERMOUNTAIN GAS CO. –  
CASE NO. INT-G-07-01**

On April 16, 2007, the Commission received a formal Complaint from Tessa Leseberg. The Complaint objects to a one-year estimated and corrected billing from Intermountain Gas in the amount of \$496.76 for her elderly parents' residence in St. Anthony, Idaho. On May 22, 2007, the Commission issued a Summons to Intermountain Gas, directing the Company to file a written Answer to the Complaint.

On June 12, 2007, the Company filed its written Answer, stating that in January 2007 the Leseberg's meter was discovered to be progressively slowing down over a period of time due to a broken wriggler, the linkage between the meter and the index, and was replaced. As a result of the improperly working meter, the Company estimated the Leseberg's gas usage and sent a corrected bill in the amount of \$496.76 for a twelve-month period. The Company stated it disagreed with Staff's alternate calculation of the one-year corrected billing, done during the informal Complaint proceedings for this matter. Consequently, the Company developed a new calculation resulting in a corrected billing of \$499.86. The Company requested in its Answer that the Lesebergs be directed to pay the \$499.86, and that the Complaint be dismissed without further action by the Commission.

### **STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

Commission Staff has reviewed the filings in this matter and wishes to participate as a Party in this case pursuant to Rule 37 and 38. IDAPA 31.01.01.037, 31.01.01.038. Staff would like to conduct discovery and file comments and/or testimony. Staff recommends that the Parties conduct an informal pre-hearing conference, where a procedural schedule for the remainder of this case can be developed and submitted to the Commission for approval.

### **COMMISSION DECISION**

Does the Commission wish to direct the Parties (the Lesebergs, Intermountain Gas, and Staff) to conduct an informal pre-hearing conference in order to develop a procedural schedule for this case and then submit the same to the Commission for approval?

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Donovan E. Walker