## **BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**

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) CASE NO. INT-G-14-02
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) NOTICE OF APPLICATION
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) NOTICE OF
) INTERVENTION DEADLINE
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) ORDER NO. 33175

On November 4, 2014, Intermountain Gas Company applied to the Idaho Public Utilities Commission for an Order authorizing the Company to change its composite depreciation rates and its amortization rates, effective January1, 2015. The Company asks the Commission to process the case by Modified Procedure.

With this Order, the Commission provides notice of the application and sets a deadline for interested persons to formally intervene in the case.

## NOTICE OF APPLICATION

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that with this Application, the Company seeks an Order that changes the way it accounts for depreciation and amortization. Specifically, the Company seeks to increase its: (1) composite depreciation rate from 3.07% (3.06% when weighted by December 31, 2010 assets) to 3.12%; and (2) total General Plant account amortizations from \$1,749,970 to \$2,598,813. The Company says it needs these accounting changes because its most recent studies show it under-depreciates its assets and under-amortizes General Plant Account Nos. 391, 393, 394, 395, 397 and 398. The Company says the proposed changes would not increase the prices that customers pay for natural gas service.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Application and any supporting workpapers, testimonies and exhibits have been filed with the Commission and are available for public inspection during regular business hours at the Commission offices. The Application and testimonies are also available on the Commission's web site at <u>www.puc.idaho.gov</u>. Click on the "File Room" tab at the top of the page, scroll down to "Gas Cases" and then click on the case number as shown on the front of this document.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Commission has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to Title 61 of the Idaho Code and specifically *Idaho Code* §§ 61-501, 61-524, and 61-525. The Commission may enter any final order consistent with its authority under Title 61.

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.* 

## NOTICE OF INTERVENTION DEADLINE

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that persons who wish to intervene in this matter to obtain the rights of party (e.g., to file formal discovery, or present evidence or cross-examine witnesses at a hearing) must file a Petition to Intervene with the Commission pursuant to the Commission's Rules of Procedure 72 and 73, IDAPA 31.01.01.072 and .073. Persons who wish to intervene as a party must file a Petition to Intervene no later than 14 days from the service date of this Order. Such persons shall also provide the Commission Secretary with their electronic mail address to facilitate further communications in this matter.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that after the intervention deadline runs, the Commission Secretary shall issue a Notice of Parties. The Notice of Parties shall assign exhibit numbers to each party in this proceeding. Once the Notice of Parties is issued, Commission Staff shall informally meet with the Company, and with any intervening parties who wish to participate in the meeting, and attempt to settle any issues presented by the Company's Application. Commission Staff will then report back to the Commission on the outcome of the meeting.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that persons who would like to present their views without parties' rights of participation and cross-examination are not required to intervene and may present their comments without prior notification to the Commission or to other parties. The comment must contain a statement of reasons supporting the comment. Written comments concerning this Application shall be mailed to the Commission and the Company at the following addresses:

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PO Box 83720	Intermountain Gas Company
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These comments should contain the case caption and case number shown on the first page of this document. Persons desiring to submit comments via e-mail may do so by accessing the Commission's home page located at <u>www.puc.idaho.gov</u>. Scroll to the "Consumers" tab, click the "Case Comment or Question Form," and complete the comment form using the case number as it appears on the front of this document.

## ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that persons desiring to intervene as a party in this case (to present, for example, evidence or cross-examine witnesses) shall file a Petition to Intervene with the Commission no later than 14 days from the service date of this Order. Staff, the Company, and other persons shall take such further action as noted above. DONE by order of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission at Boise, Idaho this  $/\mathcal{R}^{th}$  day of November 2014.

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PAUL KJELLANDER, PRESIDENT

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MACK A. REDFORD, COMMISSIONER

MARSHA H. SMITH, COMMISSIONER

ATTEST:

Jean D. Jewell

Commission Secretary

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