

IDAPA 31 – IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

**31.01.01 – RULES OF PROCEDURE OF
THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**

DOCKET NO. 31-0101-1301

**NOTICE OF INTENT TO PROMULGATE RULES
NEGOTIATED RULEMAKING**

AUTHORITY: In compliance with Sections 67-5220, Idaho Code, notice is hereby given that the Public Utilities Commission intends to promulgate rules and desires public comment prior to initiating formal rulemaking procedures. This negotiated rulemaking action is authorized pursuant to Sections 61-601 and 62-615, Idaho Code.

MEETING SCHEDULE: A public workshop on the negotiated rulemaking will be held as follows:

August 21, 2013 at 9:00 A.M. (MST)
PUC Hearing Room, 472 West Washington Street, Boise, Idaho

The meeting site will be accessible to persons with disabilities. Requests for accommodation must be made not later than five (5) days prior to the meeting to the agency address below.

METHOD OF PARTICIPATION: Interested persons wishing to participate in the negotiated rulemaking must respond to this notice by contacting the undersigned either in writing, by email, or by calling the phone number listed below.

The Commission intends to convene an informal public workshop for the purpose of reviewing and discussing the draft rules. During the workshop interested persons will be permitted to ask questions and give oral presentations. Interested persons may also participate by telephone by calling toll-free (888) 706-6468. The participant code is: 2253752. The Commission also invites the submission of written comments as set out below.

Upon conclusion of the negotiated rulemaking, any unresolved issues, all key issues considered, and conclusions reached during the negotiated rulemaking will be addressed in a written summary and made available on the agency web site.

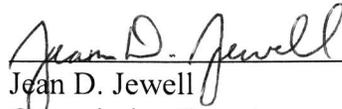
DESCRIPTIVE SUMMARY: The following is a statement in nontechnical language of the substance and purpose of the intended negotiated rulemaking and the principle issues involved:

The Commission is reviewing changes to its Rules of Procedure, IDAPA 31.01.01. The reasons for the proposed changes include: improving efficiency and cost-effectiveness by allowing the Commission to update its list of current utilities and railroads subject to the annual regulatory assessments (Rule 18); updating references and citations to other authorities (Rules 19, 43); increasing public involvement by making RSS feeds more user-friendly (Rule 39); recognizing utilities formed as limited liability companies (Rules 111 and 114); and improving

the clarity of two rules regarding customer notices (Rules 121 and 125). The Commission encourages those interested in participating in the informal workshop to obtain and review a copy of the draft changes to the Rules of Procedure prior to the public workshop.

ASSISTANCE ON TECHNICAL QUESTIONS, SUBMISSION OF WRITTEN COMMENTS, OBTAINING COPIES: For assistance on technical questions concerning this negotiated rulemaking or to obtain a copy of the preliminary draft of the proposed rules, contact Donald L. Howell, II, Deputy Attorney General, PO Box 83720, Boise, Idaho 83720-0074 (208) 334-0312, don.howell@puc.idaho.gov. The draft changes are available on the Commission's web site www.puc.idaho.gov by clicking on "Draft Procedural Rules" under "Hot Items & Updates." Anyone may submit written comments regarding this negotiated rulemaking. All written comments on the draft rules must be directed to the undersigned, and contain the Docket No. 31-0101-1301 and must be delivered on or before August 23, 2013.

DATED this 2nd day of July 2013.



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Provide a list of those persons or interest group(s) affected by this rule:

Utilities and utility customer groups

Section 2 (To be Completed by DFM)

DFM Analyst Comments:
Proposes administrative revisions.

DFM Analyst Fiscal Impact Review:
No significant fiscal impact.

DFM Analyst Signature & Date:
Richard C. Budzich 06/11/13

Recommend:
 Yes No

Gov Special Assistant Signature & Date:
Stephen R. Goodson 6/11/2013

Recommend:
 Yes No

DFM Administrator Action:

- Approved
- Authorized to Advance Rulemaking Process, DFM to review draft rule prior to publication (See Section 3)
- Not Approved

DFM Administrator Signature & Date:



6/13/2013

Section 3 (To Be Completed By DFM if Required)

DFM Analyst Signature & Date:

Recommend:
 Yes No

DFM Administrator Signature & Date:

Approved:
 Yes No

Return via email to: info@dfm.idaho.gov