IDAPA 31 - IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

31.12.01 - SYSTEMS OF ACCOUNTS

FOR PUBLIC UTILITIES REGULATED BY THE

IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

DOCKET NO. 31-1201-9701

NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULES

AUTHORITY:  In compliance with Section 67-5220(1), Idaho Code, notice is hereby given of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission’s proposed rulemaking.  This action is authorized pursuant to   Section 61-524, Idaho Code.

PUBLIC HEARING SCHEDULE:  A public hearing concerning this rulemaking will be scheduled only if requested in writing by twenty-five (25) persons, a political subdivision, or an agency, not later than August 20, 1997.  The hearing site will be accessible to persons with disabilities.  Request for accommodations must be made not later than five (5) days prior to the hearing, to the Commission’s address set out below.

DESCRIPTIVE SUMMARY: The following is a non-technical explanation of the substance and purpose of the proposed rules:

The Commission’s Systems of Accounts for Public Utilities Rules currently adopt by reference the NARUC uniform system of accounts regulations.  The rules prescribe the manner in which utility accounting records are to be kept.  The systems of accounts regulations for Class A amd B water utilities have recently been updated.  The Commission is proposing to adopt the 1996 updated version of the Uniform Systems of Accounts published by the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC).

Existing Rule 104 (31.12.01.104) adopts by reference the Uniform System of Accounts (USOA) for Class A and B Water Utilities based upon the 1984 version.  The Commission proposes to adopt the 1996 version of the USOA published by the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners, 1201 Constitution Avenue N.W., PO Box 684, Washington, DC 20044-0684.

NEGOTIATED RULEMAKING:  Pursuant to IDAPA 04.11.01.811, negotiated rulemaking was not conducted because these proposed rules offer no new or different standard but simply adopt the updated 1996 version of the Uniform Systems of Accounts for Class A and B Water Utilities published by the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners.

ASSISTANCE ON TECHNICAL QUESTIONS:  For assistance on technical questions concerning the proposed rules, contact Scott D. Woodbury, Deputy Attorney General at (208) 334-0320.

DEADLINE FOR WRITTEN COMMENTS:  Anyone may submit written comments regarding these proposed rules.  All written comments and data concerning the proposed rules must be delivered to the Commission Secretary at the address identified above or must be postmarked on or before August 27, 1997.  Persons desiring to comment are encouraged to submit written comments at their earliest convenience rather than wait until the comment deadline.

DATED this             day of  June 1997.

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