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NEWS RELEASE: Commission schedules online public workshop to share information on Idaho Power application to exit North Valmy Power Plant Unit 2 in 2025

BOISE (July 20, 2021) – The Idaho Public Utilities Commission is holding an online public workshop to share information on an Idaho Power application asking that the commission find that an exit date of Dec. 31, 2025, to exit the North Valmy Power Plant is appropriate based on currently available information.

Valmy is a coal-fired power plant that consists of two units, and is located near Battle Mountain, Nev. Unit 1 went into service in 1981 and Unit 2 followed in 1985. Idaho Power owns 50 percent, or 284 megawatts, of Valmy. The power plant is jointly owned by Idaho Power and NV Energy. Idaho Power, in a settlement stipulation approved by the commission, agreed to use prudent and commercially reasonable efforts to end its participation in the operation of Unit 1 by the end of 2019, and Unit 2 by the end of 2025. On Dec. 31, 2019, the company's participation in coal-fired operations at Unit 1 concluded.

Idaho Power identified those dates after doing a series of economic analyses of the units. The company determined in this application that Unit 2 would still be economically viable until the end of 2025.

The online public workshop will be held Wednesday, July 28, at 7:00 p.m. (MDT). Those wishing to participate online can do so by visiting idahogov.webex.com and entering meeting number 177 312 9655. At the next window, please enter your name, e-mail address and the password JulyWorkshop. Participation also can be done over the phone by calling 1-415-655-0001 and entering meeting number 177 312 9655.

Written comments on Idaho Power's application are being accepted until Aug. 17, 2021. Comments are required to be filed by e-mail unless e-mail is unavailable. To submit comments via e-mail, please visit the commission's webpage at puc.idaho.gov. Click on the "Consumers" tab toward the top of the page, then click on the "Case Comment Form." Please use case number IPC-E-21-12 when filling out the form. Any comments should also be e-mailed to Idaho Power at the e-mail addresses listed below.

If e-mail is unavailable, comments may be mailed to the commission and Idaho Power at these addresses:

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For additional information on Idaho Power's application, please visit:
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