

BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION) CASE NO. PAC-E-19-11
FOR APPROVAL OF THE ASSET SALE)
BETWEEN ROCKY MOUNTAIN POWER) NOTICE OF APPLICATION
AND IDAHO POWER)
) NOTICE OF
) MODIFIED PROCEDURE
)
) NOTICE OF TELEPHONIC
) HEARING
)
) ORDER NO. 34435

On August 21, 2019, Rocky Mountain Power (“Company”) filed an Application requesting approval of an asset sale between the Company and Idaho Power Company. With this Order, the Commission issues notice of the Application, establishes a public comment period, and sets a date for a telephonic public hearing.

BACKGROUND

The Company submits its Application for approval under the electric utility asset transfer statute, *Idaho Code* § 61-328. The Company requested that its Application be processed under Modified Procedure, Rule 201 *et seq.* See IDAPA 31.01.01.201 through .204. Typically, the use of Modified Procedure contemplates written submissions without a live hearing. However, *Idaho Code* § 61-328 states the Commission “shall issue a public notice and *shall conduct a public hearing* upon the application (emphasis added).”

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that with this Application, the Company asks the Commission to approve the Company’s asset sale (“Agreement”) to Idaho Power.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that under a joint purchase and sale agreement entered into by the parties and approved by the Commission in 2014, Idaho Power owns a 3.6% undivided ownership interest in a contiguous 29-mile section of the American Falls to Wheelon 138 kV line. See Order No. 33313. Under the Agreement, Idaho Power will purchase from the Company a 3.6% undivided ownership interest in one additional mile, beginning 29 line miles

from the American Falls substation (Latitude 42.467942, Longitude -112.573621) and ending near Church Road in Power County (Latitude 42.452821, Longitude -112.569982).

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that Idaho Power has agreed to pay the Company \$3,389.75 for the ownership interest.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Application and supporting documentation have been filed with the Commission and are available for public inspection during regular business hours at the Commission's office. These documents are also available on the Commission's web site at www.puc.idaho.gov. Click on the "Open Cases" link under the heading "Electric" and click on the case number as shown on the front of this document.

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.*

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that all proceedings in this case will be held pursuant to the Commission's jurisdiction under Title 61 of the Idaho Code, specifically *Idaho Code* §§ 61-502 and 61-503. The Commission may enter any final Order consistent with its authority under Title 61.

NOTICE OF MODIFIED PROCEDURE

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Commission will proceed under Modified Procedure pursuant to Rules 201 through 204 of the Commission's Rules of Procedure. *See* IDAPA 31.01.01.201 through .204. The Commission notes that Modified Procedure and written comments have proven to be an effective means for obtaining public input and participation.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that any person desiring to state a position on this Application may file a written comment in support or opposition with the Commission **by October 16, 2019**. 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 addresses reflected below:

For the Commission:

Commission Secretary
Idaho Public Utilities Commission
PO Box 83720
Boise, ID 83720-0074

Street Address for Express Mail:
11331 W Chinden Blvd
Building 8, Suite 201A
Boise, ID 83714

For the 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 www.puc.idaho.gov. Click the “Utility Case Comment or Question Form” under the “Consumers” tab, and complete the comment form using the case number as it appears on the front of this document.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Company may file reply comments, if necessary, by **October 23, 2019**.

NOTICE OF TELEPHONIC PUBLIC HEARING

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Commission’s Rules of Modified Procedure contemplate that a case will be processed by written submissions without the need for a public hearing. However, the Commission finds good cause to schedule a public hearing in this case because the Company filed its Application under *Idaho Code* § 61-328, and that statute requires a public hearing.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Commission will conduct a public telephonic customer hearing in this matter on **TUESDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2019, AT 2:30 P.M. MDT.** The purpose of the public hearing is to take testimony from members of the public and

customers of Rocky Mountain Power. To participate, interested persons can call (208) 334-0300 shortly before or at the designated time.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the telephonic hearing will meet accessibility requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act. Persons needing the help of a sign language interpreter or other assistance in order to participate in or to understand testimony at a public hearing may ask the Commission to provide a sign language interpreter or other assistance at the hearing. The request for assistance must be received at least five working days before the hearing by contacting the Commission Secretary at:

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PO BOX 83720
BOISE, IDAHO 83720-0074
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ORDER

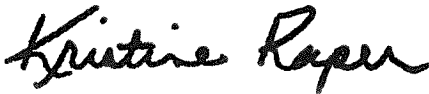
IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Company's Application be processed by Modified Procedure, Rule 201-204. *See* IDAPA 31.01.01.201 through .204. Persons interested in submitting written comments must do so by **October 16, 2019**. The Company may file a reply by **October 23, 2019**.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a telephonic public hearing be held on the Company's Application on **October 15, 2019**.

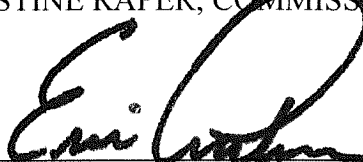
DONE by Order of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission at Boise, Idaho this ^{17th}
day of September 2019.



PAUL KJELLANDER, PRESIDENT

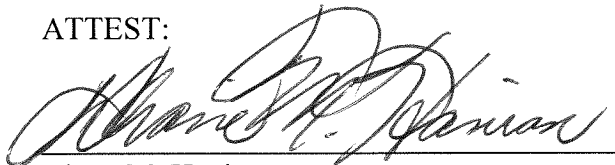


KRISTINE RAPER, COMMISSIONER



ERIC ANDERSON, COMMISSIONER

ATTEST:



Diane M. Hanian
Commission Secretary

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