

**BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**

<b>IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION</b>	)	<b>CASE NO. IPC-E-17-16</b>
<b>OF IDAHO POWER TO ESTABLISH A</b>	)	
<b>METHOD OF RECOVERY FOR COSTS</b>	)	<b>NOTICE OF MODIFIED</b>
<b>ASSOCIATED WITH PARTICIPATION IN</b>	)	<b>PROCEDURE</b>
<b>THE WESTERN ENERGY IMBALANCE</b>	)	
<b>MARKET</b>	)	<b>NOTICE OF</b>
	)	<b>COMMENT DEADLINES</b>
	)	
	)	<b>ORDER NO. 33970</b>

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On November 14, 2017, Idaho Power Company applied to the Commission for an Order authorizing the Company to establish an interim method of recovery of costs associated with participation in the Western Energy Imbalance Market (EIM) through a temporary rate component in Tariff Schedule 55, the Power Cost Adjustment. Application at 1. The Company requested that the Application be processed by Modified Procedure and that a final order be issued on the request by March 31, 2018. *Id.* at 6. Previously, the Commission set a December 13, 2017, intervention deadline. Order 33938. No intervenors appeared.

By way of background, in Case No. IPC-E-16-19, the Commission determined that the Company’s EIM participation “would provide an opportunity for benefits greater than costs” and thus the possibility of a net benefit to customers. *Id.* at 9. The Commission also allowed the Company to track its incremental operations and maintenance (O&M) expenses incurred by joining the EIM in a deferral account with a ten-year amortization period. *Id.* at 11. The Company now seeks approval of an interim method of recovery of those expenses.

**NOTICE OF MODIFIED PROCEDURE**

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the Commission has reviewed the filing in this action, and has preliminarily determined that a formal hearing in this matter is unnecessary and will proceed under Modified Procedure pursuant to Rules 201 through 204 of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission's Rules of Procedure, 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 or party desiring to state a position on this Application may file a written comment in support or opposition with the Commission **no later than February 21, 2018**. The comment must contain a statement of reasons supporting the comment. Persons desiring a hearing must specifically request a hearing in their written comments. Written comments concerning this Application shall be mailed to the Commission and the Applicant at the addresses reflected below:

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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](http://www.puc.idaho.gov). Click the "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. These comments must also be sent to the Company at the e-mail addresses listed above.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Company may file reply comments, if necessary, **no later than February 28, 2018**.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that if no written comments or protests are received within the time limit set, the Commission will consider this matter on its merits and enter its Order without a formal hearing. If written comments are received within the time limit set, the Commission will consider them and, in its discretion, may set the same for formal hearing.

### ORDER

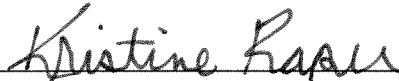
IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that this case be processed by Modified Procedure. Persons interested in submitting written comments regarding this case, or protesting the use of Modified Procedure, should do so no later than February 21, 2018.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that reply comments, if any, may be filed no later than February 28, 2018.

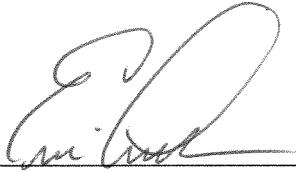
DONE by Order of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission at Boise, Idaho this 25<sup>th</sup> day of January 2018.



PAUL KJELLANDER, PRESIDENT



KRISTINE RAPER, COMMISSIONER



ERIC ANDERSON, COMMISSIONER

ATTEST:



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Commission Secretary

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