

IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

MINUTES OF DECISION MEETING

March 23, 2021 – 1:30 P.M.

In attendance was Commissioner Paul Kjellander, Commissioner Kristine Raper and Commissioner Eric Anderson. Commissioner Kjellander called the meeting to order.

The first order of business was **APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING** on March 16, 2021. The Commission voted unanimously to approve the minutes as written.

The next order of business was **CONSENT AGENDA:**

- 2. Action Item: Michael Morrison's March 17, 2021, Decision Memorandum re: In the Matter of Idaho Power Company's Application for Authority to Establish Tariff Schedule 68, Interconnections to Customer Distributed Energy Resources; Case No. IPC-E-20-30.**
- 3. Action Item: Taylor Thomas' March 18, 2021, Decision Memorandum re: In the Matter of Intermountain Gas Company's Application to Implement a Commercial Energy Efficiency Program; Case No. INT-G-20-04.**
- 4. Action Item: Daniel Klein's March 18, 2021, Decision Memorandum re: The 2020 Broadband Equipment Tax Credit Application for Albion Telephone Company; Case No. ALB-T-21-01.**
- 5. Action Item: Daniel Klein's March 18, 2021, Decision Memorandum re: Centurytel of the Gem State, Inc. D/B/A Centurylink, Centurytel of Idaho, Inc. D/B/A Centurylink's Application for Approval of an Amendment to an Interconnection Agreement with Spectrotel, Inc.; Case Nos. CGS-T-21-01 and CEN-T-21-01.**
- 6. Action Item: Matt Hunter's March 18, 2021, Decision Memorandum re: In the Matter of Picabo Water System's Application for Authority to Increase Its Rates and Charges for Water Service in the State of Idaho; Case No. PIC-W-21-01.**
- 7. Action Item: Edward Jewell's March 19, 2021, Decision Memorandum re: In the Matter of Rocky Mountain Power's Application for Approval or Rejection of the Power Purchase Agreement with Commercial Energy Management, Inc.; Case No. PAC-E-21-05.**
- 8. Action Item: Edward Jewell's March 19, 2021, Decision Memorandum re: In the Matter of Rocky Mountain Power's Application for Approval or Rejection of the Power Purchase Agreement with Chester Diversion Project; Case No. PAC-E-21-06.**
- 9. Action Item: Edward Jewell's March 19, 2021, Decision Memorandum re: In the Matter of Gem State Water Company's Application for Approval of Acquisition of the Assets of the Water Business of Troy Hoffman Water Corporation; Case No. GSW-W-21-01.**
- 10. Action Item: Dayn Hardie's March 18, 2021, Decision Memorandum re: In the Matter of Eltopia Communications, LLC's Request for Cancellation of Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity No. 470; Case No. ECL-T-20-01.**

11. Action Item: Daniel Klein's March 19, 2021, Decision Memorandum re: The 2020 Broadband Equipment Tax Credit Application for Farmers Mutual Telecom, Inc.; Case No. FMU-T-21-01.

12. Action Item: Daniel Klein's March 19, 2021, Decision Memorandum re: Potlatch Telephone Company D/B/A TDS Telcom's Application for Approval of an Interconnection Agreement with Time Warner Cable Information Services, LLC; Case No. POT-T-21-01.

Commissioner Kjellander made a motion to approve Staff's recommendation for Items 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12 under the Consent Agenda. A vote was taken on the motion and it carried unanimously.

The next order of business was **MATTER IS PROGRESS:**

13. Action Item: Matt Hunter's and Dayn Hardie's March 19, 2021, Decision Memorandum re: In the Matter of SUEZ Water Idaho Inc.'s Application for Authority to Increase Its Rates and Charges for Water Service in Idaho; Case No. SUZ-W-20-02.

Mr. Hunter reviewed the Decision Memorandum and asked does the Commission wish to issue a Notice of Proposed Settlement and amend the procedural schedule as described on page 3 of the memo.

Commissioner Raper made a motion to issue a Notice of Proposed Settlement and amend the procedural schedule as described on page 3 of the memo. A vote was taken on the motion and it carried unanimously.

14. Action Item: Daniel Klein's March 19, 2021, Decision Memorandum re: 2020 Idaho Telecommunications Relay Service Annual Report; Case No. GNR-T-21-02.

Mr. Klein reviewed the Decision Memorandum and asked does the Commission wish to accept the Administrator's recommendation to raise the current TRS assessment rates to \$0.05 per access line per month and \$0.001 per intrastate MTS/WATS minute and does the Commission wish to accept the annual report and adopt the Administrator's budget for 2021.

Commissioner Raper made a motion to accept the Administrator's recommendation to raise the current TRS assessment rates to \$0.05 per access line per month and \$0.001 per intrastate MTS/WATS minute and to accept the annual report and adopt the Administrator's budget for 2021. A vote was taken on the motion and it carried unanimously.

The next order of business was **FULLY SUBMITTED MATTERS:**

15. Deliberation re: In the Matter of Intermountain Gas Company's Application for Determination of 2019 Energy Efficiency Expenses as Prudently Incurred; Case No. INT-G-20-06 [Matt Hunter, Attorney].

16. Deliberation re: In the Matter of the Formal Complaint of Wood Hydro Against Idaho Power Company; IPC-E-20-28 [Edward Jewell, Attorney].

17. Deliberation re: In the Matter of Avista Corporation's Compliance Filing to Update and Establish Its Capacity Deficiency Period to be Used for Avoided Cost Calculations; Case No. AVU-E-20-11 [Dayn Hardie, Attorney].

Commissioner Kjellander stated that Items 15, 16 and 17 under Fully Submitted Matters would be deliberated privately.

Commissioner Kjellander stated there was no further business before the Commission and the meeting was adjourned.

COMMISSION SECRETARY

DATE OF APPROVAL