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Authorized Representatives of Atlanta Water Association, Inc.;
Atlanta Landowner's Association, and
Atlanta Electrical Consumer Cooperative, Inc. Pro SE

BEFORE THE

IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

MARY DRAKE,

Complainant,

vs.

ATLANTA POWER COMPANY,

Respondent.

Case No. ATL-E-18-01

**STATEMENT OF POSITION OF
INTERVENOR STEVEN J. MEADE**

STATE OF IDAHO)
 :ss.
County of Ada)

STEVEN J. MEADE, being first duly sworn on oath, deposes and says:

1. I would ask the commission to consider the December 28, 2018 staff report regarding the condition of the Atlanta Power Company. Please see Safety Concerns on page 6 and Summary on page 9 of the December 28, 2018 staff report.

2. Many, if not all of these conditions remain to this day.

3. As the electrical demand ebbs and flows on the system, a governor controls the opening and closing of the turbine. In second week in July 2019, the motor that controls the governor failed and the hydro-electric plant went off- line and the standby generator was activated.

4. During the five to six days that the hydro-electric plant down the standby generator was used to provide power to the town. At one point, there was discussion of rationing power to conserve the remaining diesel fuel.

5. While the hydro-electrical plant was down it is was discovered that the drive belts between the turbine and electrical generator were in need of immediate replacement. Some of the belts are cracked almost completely through the belt. There is concern that one or all of these belts might fail in the immediate future. As pointed out in the December 2018 staff report there are no guards around these belts. If the belts were to fail, the hydro-electric plant would be down, and until the belts were replaced it would require the town to use the standby generator, that is until the diesel fuel was exhausted. At that point, the town would be without power.

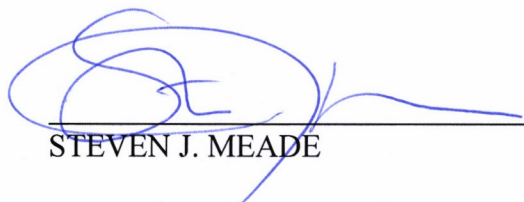
6. Another issue is that the standby generator, which is a vital piece of equipment has not been serviced for some time and it needs to be serviced in order to ensure its reliability.

7. Another issue is that has arisen is that there are a number of power poles that are leaning and in need of replacement/repair. Also, there are a number of people who desire to have electrical power provided to their home or shop, but there is no one in Atlanta qualified to run the power lines to these new customers. However, there does appear to be at least 14 new power poles and a few transformers in Atlanta Power's inventory.

8. I would ask that the Idaho Public utilities Commission consider this information when making it decision on reconsideration.

FURTHER YOUR AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.

DATED This 28 day of July, 2019.

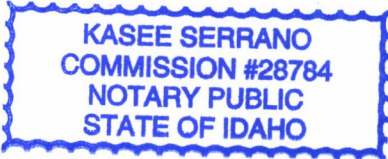


STEVEN J. MEADE

STATE OF IDAHO)
 :SS.
County of Ada)

On this 26th day of July, 2019, before me, the undersigned notary public in and for said State, personally appeared STEVEN J. MEADE, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within and foregoing instrument, and acknowledged to me that he executed the same.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal the day and year first above written.



Kasee Serrano
NOTARY PUBLIC for Idaho
Residing at Bose, ID
Commission expires: 01-20-2022

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this 26 day of April, 2019, a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing document was forwarded addressed as follows in the manner stated below:

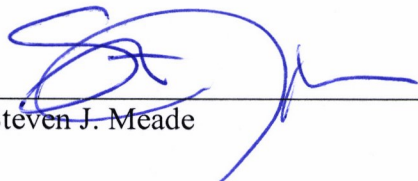
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