

## Jean Jewell

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**From:** Cindy Cox [escapade4me@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, June 03, 2011 12:29 PM  
**To:** Jean Jewell  
**Subject:** Idaho Power rate increase

*IPC-E-11-08*

Greetings esteemed public utilities commission board members:

I am writing in response to the announcement that Idaho Power is looking for another rate hike in the amount I will need to pay as a consumer. I have very strong objections to another rate hike especially at a time of economic woe of which I am a victim.

My local news caster tells me that Idaho Power says their rates are some of the lowest in the nation, this I do not dispute; however, I would also like to add that our state's family income is also lower than most states. Did we not recently have a hike that almost doubled the cost of my monthly bill?

It has been a rough couple years for me after losing my job and having to go on unemployment and starting college in hopes of finding employment that I am physically able to perform. I spent the last winter heating only the smallest bedroom in my house with a small space heater and candles, while I and my four pets snuggled together for warmth during the night. I am still trying to catch up on my winter heating bill and this is with heating assistance help. From what I hear with government cutbacks I won't be able to count on much help with heating assistance next year.

My situation is such that my savings is slowly bleeding out because my minimum cost of living is 350 dollars a month more than what is coming in. When I lost my job my income dropped by approximately a third and everything has gone up to almost double. Gas, food, my housing cost, electricity, insurance, everything! Every bulb in my house is a spiral and I just don't see where I can cut back any more. Another rate hike is probably going to be the straw that breaks my back. I am begging you please don't raise the cost of my electricity again.

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**From:** coolredstar@clear.net  
**Sent:** Friday, June 03, 2011 10:28 AM  
**To:** Jean Jewell; Beverly Barker; Gene Fadness  
**Subject:** PUC Comment Form

*IPC-E-11-08*

A Comment from Debra Pence follows:

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Case Number: Idaho Power Requests 9.9% Rate Increase  
Name: Debra Pence  
Address: 1020 Tammy  
City: Meridian  
State: ID  
Zip: 83646  
Daytime Telephone: 888-2750  
Contact E-Mail: [coolredstar@clear.net](mailto:coolredstar@clear.net)  
Name of Utility Company: Idaho Power  
Acknowledge: acknowledge

Please describe your comment briefly:

The Idaho Statesman reported today (6-3-11) that Idaho Power is requesting a 9.9% increase in power rates. How can they ask us to give more? Mr. Said, Vice President for Regulatory Affairs of Idaho Power said that Idaho Power needs to 'recover costs of doing business'. Well, at my school, no one is helping us 'recover costs of doing business'. We let people go, take furlough days, stop ordering supplies, and have bake sales. At home, we're cutting, cutting, cutting. What is Idaho Power doing to make ends meet within the company before asking us to pay more? Have them look under the couch cushions around the office before they raise our rates. I don't think I can pay more and more and more.

The form submitted on <http://www.puc.idaho.gov/forms/ipuc1/ipuc.html>  
IP address is 75.94.23.47

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**From:** marciapermann@gmail.com  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 04, 2011 3:32 PM  
**To:** Jean Jewell; Beverly Barker; Gene Fadness  
**Subject:** PUC Comment Form

A Comment from Marcia Permann follows:

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Case Number: *IPC-E-11-08*  
Name: Marcia Permann  
Address: 2918 Cold Creek Rd  
City: American Falls,  
State: Idaho  
Zip: 83211  
Daytime Telephone: 208-226-2097  
Contact E-Mail: [marciapermann@gmail.com](mailto:marciapermann@gmail.com)  
Name of Utility Company: Idaho Power  
Acknowledge:

Please describe your comment briefly:

I just read in our local newspaper that Idaho Power is seeking a rate hike. This concerns me as an Idaho Power user. I feel like our rates just keep getting higher and as a retired person on a limited income makes this very difficult. Maybe they are paying their employees too much, we know of 3 in our rural community who have retired at 50 or less and have never had to work a day since, plus still receiving some benefits, such as insurance. I wonder what the big boys must be making. I would hope that you would do some investigating before we as citizens have to cough up more money in these troubled times.

The form submitted on <http://www.puc.idaho.gov/forms/ipuc1/ipuc.html>  
IP address is 69.20.190.126

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**Sent:** Saturday, June 04, 2011 2:26 PM  
**To:** Jean Jewell; Beverly Barker; Gene Fadness  
**Subject:** PUC Comment Form

A Comment from karen follows:

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Case Number:  
Name: karen  
Address:  
City: boise  
State: id  
Zip:  
Daytime Telephone:  
Contact E-Mail:  
Name of Utility Company: idaho power  
Acknowledge: acknowledge

Please describe your comment briefly:

NO MORE RATE HIKES!!!! Dang people are already loosing homes!!! Quit beings so greedy.  
Why did you even ask for a rate reduction...was that a joke??

The form submitted on <http://www.puc.idaho.gov/forms/ipuc1/ipuc.html>  
IP address is 97.121.59.222  
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