

DECISION MEMORANDUM

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DATE: MAY 3, 2019

**SUBJECT: IN THE MATTER OF IDAHO POWER'S APPLICATION TO
EVALUATE SCHEDULE 84 – NET METERING; CASE NO. IPC-E-19-15.**

On April 5, 2019, Idaho Power Company (“Idaho Power” or “Company”) filed an Application requesting the Commission temporarily suspend Schedule 84 for new applicants and “initiate a collaborative process to explore modification to the compensation structure and excess energy value applied under Schedule 84[.]” Application at 2.

On April 18, 2019, the Commission issued a Notice of Application and Notice of Procedural Comment Deadline, which established a two week procedural comment period. Order No. 34315.

BACKGROUND

In IPC-E-17-13, the Commission approved the Company’s proposal to separate residential and small general service customers with on-site generation into Schedules 6 and 8. Order Nos. 34046, 34147. This left commercial, industrial, and irrigation (“CI&I”) customers with on-site generation in Schedule 84.

Stemming from Commission orders in IPC-E-17-13 are two dockets currently underway, IPC-E-18-15 and IPC-E-18-16. In Order No. 34315 the Commission sought comments from interested parties regarding how the Company’s Application should be processed in relation to IPC-E-18-15 and IPC-E-18-16.

Specifically, the Commission requested comments on the following questions:

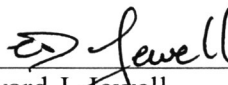
- 1) Whether and to what extent this Application impacts or is impacted by IPC-E-18-15 and IPC-E-18-16.
- 2) Whether and to what extent the issues raised in IPC-E-18-15, IPC-E-18-16, and this docket can and should be examined holistically.
- 3) Whether this docket should be processed according to Idaho Power's proposal on page 8 of the Application.
- 4) Whether the Commission should process this docket by modified procedure or by hearings.
- 5) Whether the Commission should suspend Schedule 84 for new applicants while IPC-E-19-15 is being processed, and if the Commission does suspend Schedule 84 in the interim, whether the suspension should be from the date of filing—April 5, 2019—or some other date.
- 6) Whether the Company's proposed effective date of January 1, 2020 in IPC-E-19-15 is feasible.

THE PROCEDURAL COMMENTS

Timely comments were submitted by City of Boise, Idaho Clean Energy Association, Idaho Conservation League and Vote Solar, Idaho Irrigation Pumpers Association, Micron Technology, Russell Schiermeier, Idaho Chapter Sierra Club, Commission Staff, and the Company.

COMMISSION DECISION

What is the Commission's decision on how to process this case?



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