

DECISION MEMORANDUM

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DATE: MAY 7, 2020

**SUBJECT: IN THE MATTER OF IDAHO POWER’S APPLICATION FOR A
VALIDATED ECONOMIC CLOSURE DATE FOR NORTH VALMY
POWER PLANT UNIT 2; CASE NO. IPC-E-19-18.**

On June 27, 2019, Idaho Power Company (“Idaho Power” or “Company”) submitted an Application requesting the Commission acknowledge the Company sufficiently validated December 31, 2025 as the economic retirement date for Unit 2 of the North Valmy power plant.

On August 13, 2019, the Commission issued a Notice of Application but did not determine a procedure or set a timeline to process this case because the Company had notified the Commission that it would need additional time to perform supplemental analysis related to the long-term capacity expansion model used in the Company’s Integrated Resource Plan (“IRP”), which Commission Staff indicated might impact the economic analysis conducted in this case. Order No. 34398.

On January 31, 2020, Idaho Power submitted its amended 2019 IRP.

On March 6, 2020, the Commission issued a Notice of Intervention Deadline. Order No. 34575. Industrial Customers of Idaho Power and Idaho Conservation League timely intervened. Following the intervention deadline, Commission Staff informally conferred with the parties regarding procedure and schedule.

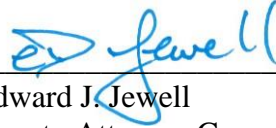
The Company indicated it would provide supplemental testimony by May 22, 2020 to update the analysis performed since the Application was submitted. The parties believe the proposed comment and reply dates provide sufficient time for review and comment on the supplemental analysis.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the Commission issue a Notice of Modified Procedure establishing a comment deadline of August 19, 2020, and a reply comment deadline of September 2, 2020.

COMMISSION DECISION

Does the Commission wish to issue a Notice of Modified Procedure establishing a comment deadline of August 19, 2020, and a reply comment deadline of September 2, 2020?



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