

## DECISION MEMORANDUM

**TO:** COMMISSIONER KJELLANDER  
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**DATE:** AUGUST 14, 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.

On May 19, 2020, the Commission issued a Notice of Modified Procedure establishing an August 19, 2020 comment deadline and a September 2, 2020 reply comment deadline. Order No. 34672.

On May 22, 2020, the Company provided supplemental direct testimony.

On July 1, 2020, the Company filed a Motion to Suspend Procedural Schedule.

On July 16, 2020, the Commission vacated the comment deadlines. Order No. 34724.

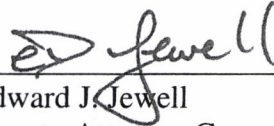
On July 31, 2020, the Company submitted an update notifying the Commission it anticipates completing and filing its IRP review by October 2, 2020.

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

Staff recommends the Commission take no action at this time and wait to re-establish comment deadlines until the Company submits its comprehensive IRP review, which the Company anticipates filing on October 2, 2020.

**COMMISSION DECISION**

Does the Commission wish to wait until the Company submits its comprehensive IRP review to re-establish comment deadlines?



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