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BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF IDAHO POWER) CASE NO. IPC-E-19-19
COMPANY'S 2019 INTEGRATED)
RESOURCE PLAN) MICRON TECHNOLOGY INC.'S
) COMMENTS
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Micron Technology, Inc. ("Micron"), pursuant to the Commission's Notice of Amended Application dated November 16, 2020, provides the following comments regarding Idaho Power Company's ("IPC") Second Amended 2019 Integrated Resource Plan ("IRP").

I. Introduction

Micron is IPC's largest customer and relies on IPC's provision of reliable electric service at just and reasonable rates in order to effectively operate its business and remain competitive in the global marketplace. Therefore, Micron is keenly interested in all aspects of IPC's cost of service and service reliability, including IPC's resource planning processes. Indeed, Micron actively serves on IPC's IRP Advisory Council.

While reliable service at reasonable rates is a critical component of IPC's electric service, Micron is also interested in the types of resources used to serve its electric load. Micron is supportive of the transition to clean energy that is a hallmark of IPC's IRP. In fact, Micron has

established its own sustainability goals, including aggressive efforts to reduce its emissions and power its operations with renewable energy. Micron has long enjoyed a productive working relationship with IPC and is interested in the potential of further partnerships as IPC and Micron both work toward meeting their respective clean and renewable energy goals.

II. Micron's Sustainability Goals

Sustainability, including energy efficiency and emissions reduction, is a core focus of Micron's operations.¹ For several years, Micron has utilized IPC energy efficiency programs to significantly reduce its energy usage. As detailed in Micron's 2020 Sustainability Report, Micron has established aggressive emissions and energy efficiency goals, targeting a 40% absolute reduction in greenhouse gases from its 2018 levels and implementing 100% renewable energy where available. Micron is currently evaluating several renewable energy strategies to meet its internal goals and is interested in potential cost-competitive partnerships that could be formed with IPC.

III. Micron's Comments Regarding IPC's IRP

Micron appreciates IPC's diligent efforts and IRP analyses that culminated in a Preferred Portfolio representing a combination of least-cost and least-risk resource actions that further IPC's efforts to reliably provide 100% clean energy by 2045. Indeed, the Preferred Portfolio is marked by reasonable exits from coal-fired generating facilities, the addition of renewable resources, and access to regional electricity markets allowing for increased reliability and cost-effective electricity purchases. Micron supports the Company's transition toward cost-effective clean

¹ See Micron's 2020 Sustainability Report, available at <https://www.micron.com/about/our-commitment/operating-thoughtfully/sustainability>.

energy and IPC's pathway to reduced emissions by transitioning away from coal-fired generating facilities. If implemented prudently and efficiently, the Preferred Portfolio should lead to numerous benefits for IPC customers and the regional environment and quality of life.

Specifically, Micron is interested in IPC's plans to add significant solar and battery facilities to its resource portfolio over its long-term planning horizon. Micron is currently analyzing potential strategies and investments to obtain additional renewable energy, including virtual power purchase agreements and on-site renewable generating facilities on its Boise campus. Micron is interested in working alongside IPC and the Commission to develop strategies and solutions that would allow Micron to cost-competitively increase its use of renewable energy and invest in local renewable energy projects. Indeed, Micron believes there is real opportunity for Micron and IPC to work together to achieve mutual goals and looks forward to continued and new partnerships as IPC continues its resource planning process.

IV. Conclusion

Micron appreciates the opportunity to provide these comments regarding IPC's IRP. Micron will continue to engage with IPC, other stakeholders, and the Commission in this proceeding and on other resource planning issues to develop mutually beneficial resource opportunities and investments.

Respectfully submitted January 20, 2021.

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