

**BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**

<b>IN THE MATTER OF IDAHO POWER</b>	)	<b>CASE NO. IPC-E-20-14</b>
<b>COMPANY'S APPLICATION TO</b>	)	
<b>IMPLEMENT FIXED COST ADJUSTMENT</b>	)	<b>NOTICE OF APPLICATION</b>
<b>RATES FOR ELECTRIC SERVICE FROM</b>	)	
<b>JUNE 1, 2020, THROUGH MAY 31, 2021</b>	)	<b>NOTICE OF</b>
	)	<b>MODIFIED PROCEDURE</b>
	)	
	)	<b>ORDER NO. 34627</b>

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On March 13, 2020, Idaho Power Company ("Company") applied for authority to implement Fixed Cost Adjustment ("FCA") rates for electric service from June 1, 2020 through May 31, 2021, and for approval of the Company's corresponding updated Schedule 54. The FCA is an annual rate adjustment mechanism that decouples the Company's fixed cost-recovery from its volumetric energy sales. *See* Order No. 30267 and 32505. It applies to Residential and Small General Service customers. *Id.* If the Application is approved as filed, a typical residential customer's average bill would increase by about \$0.02 cents per month.

With this Order, we provide notice of the Application and set comment and reply deadlines.

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION**

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the Company requests recovery of the 2019 FCA balance and approval of corresponding rates. The proposed FCA is \$34,194,871 for the Residential class and \$1,303,985 for the Small General Service class, for a total amount of \$35,498,856. *Application* at 4. The Company represents the proposed FCA deferral balance is slightly above the current FCA deferral balanced collected in customer rates.<sup>1</sup> *Id.*

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Company requests to increase FCA to \$0.6622 cents per kWh for the Residential class and \$0.8381 cents per kWh for the Small General Service class. *Id.* If approved, the proposed FCA rates would increase current billed revenue from affected customer classes by 0.02 percent per year. *Id.* at 4-5.

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<sup>1</sup> The Company proposes a \$710,580, or 0.02 percent, increase for Residential and Small residential customers over the previous year's FCA. *Id.* at 1.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Company requests the proposed rates and updated Schedule 54 take effect on June 1, 2020, and remain in effect until May 31, 2021.<sup>2</sup> *Id.* at 5.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Company represents it will notify customers about this Application through a press release to media in the Company's service area and a customer notice distributed in customers' bills. The Company states it will distribute the customer notice during the current billing cycle, with the last notice being sent on or about April 20, 2020. *Id.*

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Application and supporting work papers, testimonies and exhibits have been filed with the Commission and are available for public inspection during regular business hours at the Commission offices. The Application and testimonies are also available on the Commission's web site at [www.puc.idaho.gov](http://www.puc.idaho.gov). Click on "Electric" and "Open Cases," and then the case number as shown on the front of this document.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that all proceedings in this case will be held pursuant to the Commission's jurisdiction under Title 61 of the Idaho Code. The Commission may enter any final order consistent with its authority under Title 61.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that all proceedings in this matter will be conducted pursuant to the Commission's Rules of Procedure, IDAPA 31.01.01.000 *et seq.*

#### **NOTICE OF MODIFIED PROCEDURE**

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Commission has determined that the public interest may not require a formal hearing in this matter, and will proceed under Modified Procedure pursuant to Rules 201 through 204 of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission's Rules of Procedure, IDAPA 31.01.01.201 through.204. The Commission notes that Modified Procedure and written comments have proven to be an effective means for obtaining public input and participation.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that any person or party desiring to state a position on this Application must file a written comment in support or opposition with the Commission **by May 13, 2020**. The comment must contain a statement of reasons supporting the comment. Persons desiring a hearing must specifically request a hearing in their written comments. Written

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<sup>2</sup> Idaho Power requests that the FCA rates become effective on June 1, 2020, coincident with the Company's Power Cost Adjustment and with the commencement of seasonal rates. *Id.* at 5.

comments concerning this Application should be sent electronically, unless email is not available, to the Commission and the Applicant at the email addresses reflected below:

Commission Secretary  
Idaho Public Utilities Commission  
P.O. Box 83720  
Boise, ID 83720-0074

Street Address for Express Mail:

11331 W. Chinden Blvd,  
Bldg. 8, Suite 201-A  
Boise, ID 83714

Idaho Power Company  
Lisa D. Nordstrom  
Pawel P. Goralski  
1221 West Idaho Street (83702)  
P.O. Box 70  
Boise, ID 83707

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Comments should contain the case caption and case number shown on the first page of this document. Persons desiring to submit comments via email may do so by accessing the Commission's home page located at [www.puc.idaho.gov](http://www.puc.idaho.gov). Click the "Case Comment Form" under "Consumers," and complete the comment form using the case number as it appears on the front of this document. These comments must also be sent to the Applicant.

**YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED** that the Company must file any reply comments **by May 20, 2020.**

**YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED** that if no written comments or protests are received within the time limit set, the Commission will consider this matter on its merits and enter its order without a formal hearing. If written comments are received within the time limit set, the Commission will consider them and, in its discretion, may set the same for formal hearing.

### **ORDER**

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that this case be processed by Modified Procedure, Rule 201 – 204 (IDAPA 31.01.01.201 through.204). Persons wishing to file written comments must do so by May 13, 2020. The Company must file any reply comments by May 20, 2020.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that parties continue to comply with Order No. 34602, issued March 17, 2020. All pleadings should be filed with the Commission electronically and shall be deemed timely filed when received by the Commission Secretary. *See* Rule 14.02. Service between parties should also be accomplished electronically. Voluminous discovery-related documents may be filed and served on CD-ROM or a USB flash drive.

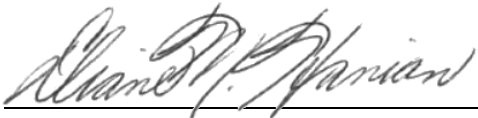
DONE by Order of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission at Boise, Idaho this 17<sup>th</sup>  
day of April 2020.

  
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PAUL KJELLANDER, PRESIDENT

  
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KRISTINE RAPER, COMMISSIONER

  
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ERIC ANDERSON, COMMISSIONER

ATTEST:

  
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Diane M. Hanian  
Commission Secretary

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