From: Elaine French <elaine.french@gmail.com>

To: <u>Jan Noriyuki</u>

Subject: Comment re: Idaho Power"s 2020 Solar Power Irrigation, Case No. IPC-E-20-26

**Date:** Saturday, October 24, 2020 8:28:14 AM

Dear Ms. Noriyuki,

I believe that fair solar power irrigation rules are important for all Idahoan farmers because ...

Regards, Elaine French 114 Wall St Hailey, ID 83333

From: Rhea Verbanic < rverbanic60@gmail.com>

To: Jan Noriyuki

Subject: Comment re: Idaho Power"s 2020 Solar Power Irrigation, Case No. IPC-E-20-26

**Date:** Saturday, October 24, 2020 9:15:49 AM

# Dear Ms. Noriyuki,

I believe that fair solar power irrigation rules are important for all Idahoan farmers because everyone should have the right to invest their own money in their own power system allowing them to control costs and be more self-reliant. Fair and workable solar programs should be an option for everyone under fair rules.

Regards, Rhea Verbanic 175 Goat Mountain Rd Bonners Ferry, ID 83805

From: Ted Stout <ted.stout1@gmail.com>

To: <u>Jan Noriyuki</u>

Subject: Comment re: Idaho Power"s 2020 Solar Power Irrigation, Case No. IPC-E-20-26

**Date:** Saturday, October 24, 2020 9:52:19 AM

## Dear Ms. Noriyuki,

I have been impressed by Idaho Power's commitment to sustainable power. Unfortunately your current action to do away with net metering works against these long term actions. Please support farmer's abilities to utilize clear energy.

Regards, Ted Stout 310 1st St Bellevue, ID 83313

From: Gregg Servheen < gregg.servheen@me.com>

To: <u>Jan Noriyuki</u>

Subject: Comment re: Idaho Power"s 2020 Solar Power Irrigation, Case No. IPC-E-20-26

**Date:** Saturday, October 24, 2020 10:07:38 AM

#### Dear Ms. Noriyuki,

I believe that fair solar power irrigation rules are important for all Idahoan farmers because it provides farmers the choice to power their irrigation pumps with solar. It is important that net metering continue so as to allow farmers this choice and to help improve the amount of renewable power available to users. Please vote to continue to allow net metering for farmers who wish to use solar to help meet their irrigation power needs.

Regards, Gregg Servheen 2816 S Colorado Ave Boise, ID 83706

From: Rajal Cohen <rajal.cohen@gmail.com>

To: Jan Noriyuki

Subject: Comment re: Idaho Power"s 2020 Solar Power Irrigation, Case No. IPC-E-20-26

**Date:** Saturday, October 24, 2020 10:32:25 AM

## Dear Ms. Noriyuki,

Fair solar power irrigation rules are important for all Idahoan farmers. Power is one of farmers' costliest expenses, and solar power is the way of the future. Idaho Power should not be allowed to end the current net metering program until another plan is in place.

Regards, Rajal Cohen 863 E 7th St Moscow, ID 83843

From: Scott Friedman <sdfriedman.md@gmail.com>

To: Jan Noriyuki

Subject: Comment re: Idaho Power"s 2020 Solar Power Irrigation, Case No. IPC-E-20-26

**Date:** Saturday, October 24, 2020 3:37:24 PM

### Dear Ms. Noriyuki,

I believe that fair solar power irrigation rules are important for all Idahoan farmers because they have a right to invest their own money to manage expensive irrigation systems electrical costs. This helps them be self reliant and control costs. Net metering has worked for them, so Idaho Power should not take that away from them.

Regards, Scott Friedman 100 Sun Valley Rd Sun Valley, ID 83353

From: Ann Debolt <annmdebolt@gmail.com>

To: <u>Jan Noriyuki</u>

Subject: Comment re: Idaho Power"s 2020 Solar Power Irrigation, Case No. IPC-E-20-26

**Date:** Saturday, October 24, 2020 4:40:55 PM

Dear Ms. Noriyuki,

I believe that fair solar power irrigation rules are important for all Idahoan farmers because ...

Regards, Ann Debolt 2032 S Crystal Way Boise, ID 83706

To: <u>Jan Noriyuki</u>

**Subject:** Notice: A comment was submitted to PUCWeb **Date:** Sunday, October 25, 2020 10:00:05 AM

The following comment was submitted via PUCWeb:

Name: chris stevens

Submission Time: Oct 25 2020 9:11AM

Email: kekdog4@gmail.com Telephone: 208-244-4893 Address: 4801 kim dr Pocatello, ID 83204

Name of Utility Company: Id Power

Case ID: IPC-E-20-26

Comment: "Farmers need a new fair export rate prior to closing the current program and the public comment period needs to be extended beyond harvest time to allow farmers and ranchers to comment after completing seasonal activities on which their income depends. ID Power needs to establish a fair export credit rate and accurately value3 customer-provided energy for all who own their own systems. Farmers and ranchers must be free to install and get credit for a system that meets their needs and there needs to be a 25 year legacy period for current systems. Id Power is a monopoly regulated by the PUC. Citizens have no choice of power company, so the PUC needs to heed citizen voice and provide a fair, balanced approach to customer generated solar energy."

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To: <u>Jan Noriyuki</u>

**Subject:** Notice: A comment was submitted to PUCWeb **Date:** Saturday, October 24, 2020 5:00:05 PM

#### The following comments were submitted via PUCWeb:

Name: Cathy Sandstrom

Submission Time: Oct 24 2020 4:11PM Email: cathy.sandstrom53@gmail.com

Telephone: 208-344-3381

Address: 4444 W Quail Ridge Dr

Boise, ID 83703

Name of Utility Company: Idaho Power

Case ID: IPC-E-20-26

Comment: "Hello, On behalf of farmers in Idaho, I am asking you to extend the time period during which farmers can comment on this bill until after harvest season. Power costs are huge for irrigation equipment and farming is a financially risky business. Solar power enables farmers to reduce their costs and is a clean alternative. Please do not allow Idaho Power to set a new cut-off date prior to establishing fair credit and export rates. This would make investing in solar too risky for many farmers to consider it. also, please do not allow Idaho Power to punish farmers with worse rates than homeowners. The solar usage by farmers, while increasing accounts for only a small percentage of power usage for irrigation. Thank you, Cathy Sandstrom, M.D."

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To: <u>Jan Noriyuki</u>

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From: Mark Berria
To: Jan Noriyuki

Subject: Comment re: Idaho Power"s 2020 Solar Power Irrigation, Case No. IPC-E-20-26

**Date:** Sunday, October 25, 2020 10:07:33 AM

Dear Ms. Noriyuki,

I believe that fair solar power irrigation rules are important for all Idahoan farmers because ...

Regards, Mark Berria 565 E Greencreek Ct Eagle, ID 83616



### Idaho

Dear Idaho Public Utilities Commission:

I am writing you on behalf of the Idaho Chapter of the Clean Tech Alliance to offer comment on Case IPC-E-20-26, which is currently before the commission for consideration. I am an Idaho Power customer, shareholder, and regular attendee of Idaho Power's IRP meetings.

I (We) support Idaho Power's efforts to drive to towards 100% Clean Energy by 2045. I (We) also support the development of a compensation for the Value of Solar that is fair, reflects market dynamics, and is sustainable for generators and rate payers. Further, I (we) believe a stable, consistent, fair, and easy-to-understand net metering program is in the best interest of ratepayers, IDACORP shareholders, the clean energy industry, and the general public. To that end, I (we) encourage Idaho Power to expedite the completion of the study to establish the Value of Solar, as was originally presented in Case No. IPC-E-18-15. In that case, there were three remaining factors, 1) Avoided T&D Capacity, 2) Integration Costs, and 3) Environmental Benefit that needed to have values assigned to them. I (We) urge Idaho Power to expedite the process to assign values to these factors, and offer any of my (our) assistance that can contribute to that process and accelerate the establishment of fair values for those variables.

In this way, all stakeholders benefit, and the PUC meets its obligation to facilitate the delivery of affordable, reliable and resilient energy to the state's energy customers.

Best Regards,

Lisa Hecht, Member of the Idaho Chapter Clean Tech Alliance <a href="mailto:lisa.hecht@lisahechtassociates.com">lisa.hecht@lisahechtassociates.com</a>

From: Rob Ham <rhamesq@gmail.com>

To: <u>Jan Noriyuki</u>

Subject: Comment re: Idaho Power"s 2020 Solar Power Irrigation, Case No. IPC-E-20-26

**Date:** Sunday, October 25, 2020 12:11:20 PM

Dear Ms. Noriyuki,

I believe that fair solar power irrigation rules are important for all Idahoan farmers because ...

Climate change is the most profound environmental threat we face today. To encourage alternative energy sources, like solar power, only makes good sense. It also provides an efficient way for farmers to power irrigation systems thereby helping to increase food security for our state and our nation.

Regards, Rob Ham 11973 W Driftwood Ct Boise, ID 83713

From: M Horto <mhorton260@gmail.com>

To: <u>Jan Noriyuki</u>
Subject: IPC-E-20-26

**Date:** Sunday, October 25, 2020 2:11:08 PM

Idaho Power has been giving themselves a bad lately. While they publicly tout their commitment to transitioning to 100% clean energy from one side of their mouth, they try to renege on their solar net-metering agreements by changing the rules AFTER their customers made the capital investment. They tried it 1st with their residential customers which thankfully the PUC stopped. Now they have the gall to try the same thing with their remaining solar net-metering customer agreements, namely farmers and businesses.

When is it ever right to try to change the rules after the deal is done?....NEVER. Most of us learned that basic rule of decency in kindergarten. Idaho Power obviously lost their moral compass along the way.

Idaho Powers' true agenda is to discourage solar and have everyone rely on the same old status quo. Meanwhile, they try to change the rules so they can profit from the capital investments made by their customers into solar energy while the solar investing customer doesn't even break-even on their investment! Who does Idaho Power think they are??? They are behaving like a monopoly that doesn't care to do the right thing for anyone but themselves.

My family has been in farming and ranching in Idaho for over 100 years. They are hard working, honest, and loyal.

For years I thought Idaho Power was an honest company too. Not any more. Idaho Powers' actions speak louder than words. Thank God we have the Public Utilities Commission to partition on our behalf.

Please help us by saying no to Idaho Powers' attempt to renege on their agreements with all solar net-metering customers. I see their actions as mere "power plays" to discourage solar power while making their monopoly bigger for their own gain.

I thank you in advance for doing the right thing.

Sincerely,

Margaret Horton

To: <u>Jan Noriyuki</u>

Subject: Notice: A comment was submitted to PUCWeb Date: Sunday, October 25, 2020 3:00:04 PM

The following comment was submitted via PUCWeb:

Name: Scot Horton

Submission Time: Oct 25 2020 2:47PM

Email: margaret@rtci.net Telephone: 208-543-4413 Address: 1896 east 4500 north

Buhl, ID 83316

Name of Utility Company: Idaho Power

Case ID: IPC-E-20-26

Comment: "I am so disappointed in Idaho Power trying to change the solar net metering rates on agreements already made to cause financial injury to others and financial gain for themselves. If they get their way by changing the rules after the fact, we won't even breakeven on the solar investment already made with our hard earned money. Idaho Power may say they are committed to transitioning to 100% clean energy, but their actions speak otherwise. They want to profit from our investments in solar at our expense. They want to discourage anyone else, residential, farmers, and businesses from choosing to invest in solar going forward by stacking the deck against solar. I think they have lost their way and are headed down a path that is not for the greater good. Please don't let them get away with this!"

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From: <u>Theresa Stalnaker < goonkawmn@gmail.com></u>

To: <u>Jan Noriyuki</u>

Subject: Comment re: Idaho Power"s 2020 Solar Power Irrigation, Case No. IPC-E-20-26

**Date:** Sunday, October 25, 2020 8:04:00 PM

Dear Ms. Noriyuki,

I believe that fair solar power irrigation rules are important for all Idahoan farmers because ...

Regards, Theresa Stalnaker 2284 Eames Ln American Falls, ID 83211

To: <u>Jan Noriyuki</u>

Subject: Notice: A comment was submitted to PUCWeb Date: Monday, October 26, 2020 4:00:04 PM

The following comment was submitted via PUCWeb:

Name: Bryan Lawley

Submission Time: Oct 26 2020 3:20PM Email: bmlfinancial@hotmail.com

Telephone: 208-602-9583

Address: 1147 E Hearthstone Dr

Boise, ID 83702

Name of Utility Company: Idaho Power

Case ID: IPC-E-20-26

Comment: "IPUC: I would like to first start by applauding your decision to deny last years attack on the solar industry. Fast forward that decision saved hundreds of local jobs and certainly helped circulate money through our local communities in an extreme time of need given our covid situation. This new attack was expected as it is in Idaho Power's best interests to get ahead of Idaho's quickly growing solar market and make detrimental changes to the solar industry to protect their bottom line for the foreseeable future. This really is that simple..they see the growth trends in Ag and other larger industries where that growth curve will cut into their profits. This in my opinion was what last years rate case all boiled down to...anti-competition! The simple facts are Idaho has an abundance of sun annually, will have one of the fastest rising utility costs over the next 10 years to meet the population demands, and solar is the cheapest form of energy in the world. All this adds up to a booming future solar market and thousands of high paying jobs that will be lost forever if changes are allowed to be made with again no real proof provided on why Idaho Power claims to be at a shortfall from net metering consumers. Growing up in southern Idaho farm country and having many close friends that have taken over their family farms this topic hits close to home as this sector is one of the most volatile year to year with continual changes in crop prices that determine their future operations. To not allow farmers a choice to use solar to offset rising electricity prices at fixed costs past payback points puts even more risk into their operations. Idaho Power knows that if they raise KWH rates on farmers that solar becomes even more attractive...so they proposed last year to raise demand rates instead which the farmers absolutely don't want but they know that is the most logical way to maintain their profits as solar does not affect demand charges rather only KWH. I can only hope the countless efforts by Idaho Power over the last 10 years to push their under the rug, anti-solar agenda, yet market themselves as going totally renewable by 2045 is getting as old to you as it is to the rest of us..either practice what you preach or don't preach and be honest to Idaho rate payers on what your real stance is on solar here in Idaho...They are scared of it's true and real potential and want change as quickly as possible to mitigate that growth. I hope the IPUC can clearly see th"

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