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BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF IDAHO)
POWER COMPANY'S) CASE NO. IPC-E-20-30
APPLICATION FOR AUTHORITY	
TO ESTABLISH TARIFF 68,) IDAHO SIERRA CLUB PETITION TO INTERVENE
INTERCONNECTIONS TO	
CUSTOMER DISTRIBUTED	
ENERGY RESOURCES)

Pursuant to IDAPA 31.01.01.042, the Idaho Sierra Club ("Sierra Club") hereby submits this petition to intervene in the above-captioned matter. As discussed below, Sierra Club has direct and substantial interests in these proceedings, and therefore should be granted intervention.

1. The name of this intervenor is:

Idaho Sierra Club Lisa Young and Mike Heckler 503 W Franklin St Boise, Idaho 83702 Ph: (208) 384-1023 <u>lisa.young@sierraclub.org</u> michael.p.heckler@gmail.com This Intervenor's attorney is:

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conserving natural resources and reducing the costs to all parties, please provide hard copies of
pleadings, testimony, and briefs only. Production requests, responses, notices, Commission
orders, and other filings may be submitted via electronic mail in accordance with IPUC Rules
31.01.01.063.02-03.

- 2. Sierra Club is a national, non-profit environmental and conservation organization incorporated under the laws of the State of California, duly qualified to do business in the State of Idaho. Sierra Club has 3,600 members who live and purchase utility services in Idaho, and many of those Sierra Club members are customers of Idaho Power Company.
- 3. Sierra Club's Idaho members have a direct and substantial interest in this proceeding. For many years, the Sierra Club has advocated for the implementation of programs that assist its members and utility consumers generally to access renewable energy and increase energy efficiency. The Sierra Club's work includes intervening in dockets at public utility commissions nationwide, submitting comments in numerous state and federal agency energy-related proceedings and rule-makings, attending and speaking at public hearings, speaking to students and civic and other organizations, and holding seminars and symposia all in support of policies

to reduce the impact of climate change and other air pollution by promoting clean energy alternatives and energy efficiency.

Sierra Club has actively participated in a series of dockets related to the rights of customers to self-generate some or all of their electricity needs and related system impact and valuation issues. As intervenors in IPC-E-17-13, IPC-E-18-15, IPC-E-18-16, IPC-E-19-15, and IPC-E-20-26, we view the matters raised by Idaho Power for consideration under IPC-E-20-30 as the latest in a long series of related dockets in which we have actively participated. Our members have a direct and substantial interest in policy changes that may impact Schedule 84 customers' ability to self-generate electricity, how those customers interconnect to the grid or choose not to export, whether they use storage technologies, and what the best alternatives are for providing and valuing the power quality/voltage support opportunities that inverter technology provides. Each of those matters could be affected by the IPC-E-20-30 docket.

- 4. Sierra Club's participation as an intervenor in this proceeding will not unduly broaden the issues or delay the proceeding because Sierra Club's interest is directly related to the subjects addressed in Idaho Power's application. Sierra Club's involvement in this proceeding will not be duplicative of other parties in this proceeding because no other party adequately represents Sierra Club's interests.
- 5. Sierra Club intends to fully participate in this matter as a party. The nature and quality of Sierra Club's intervention in the proceeding is dependent upon the nature and effect of other evidence in this proceeding. If necessary Sierra Club may introduce evidence, be heard in argument, and call, examine, and cross-examine witnesses. Sierra Club intends to seek intervenor funding pursuant to IDAPA 31.01.01.161-165.

WHEREFORE, Sierra Club respectfully requests the Commission grant this petition.

DATED this 14th day of September 2020.

Respectfully submitted,

Kelsey Jae

Attorney for Sierra Club

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on this 14th day of September 2020, I delivered true and correct copies of the foregoing PETITION TO INTERVENE to the following persons via the method of service noted:

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