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NEWS RELEASE: Commission schedules telephonic public hearing to take testimony on Idaho Power application to exit North Valmy Power Plant Unit 2 in 2025

BOISE (Aug. 10, 2021) – The Idaho Public Utilities Commission will host a telephonic public hearing on Aug. 24 to take testimony on an Idaho Power application asking that the commission find that a date of Dec. 31, 2025, to exit the North Valmy Power Plant is appropriate based on currently available information.

Valmy is a coal-fired power plant that consists of two units, and is located near Battle Mountain, Nev. Unit 1 went into service in 1981 and Unit 2 followed in 1985. Idaho Power owns 50 percent, or 284 megawatts, of Valmy. The power plant is jointly owned by Idaho Power and NV Energy. Idaho Power, in a settlement stipulation approved by the commission, agreed to use prudent and commercially reasonable efforts to end its participation in the operation of Unit 1 by the end of 2019, and Unit 2 by the end of 2025. On Dec. 31, 2019, the company's participation in coal-fired operations at Unit 1 concluded.

Idaho Power identified those dates after doing a series of economic analyses of the units. The company determined in this application that Unit 2 would still be economically viable until the end of 2025.

The hearing is on Tuesday, Aug. 24, at 7:00 p.m. (MDT). To participate, please call 1-415-655-0001, and enter passcode 177 246 6391 when prompted.

Written comments on Idaho Power's application are being accepted until Aug. 17, 2021. Comments are required to be filed by e-mail unless e-mail is unavailable. To submit comments via e-mail, please visit the commission's webpage at puc.idaho.gov. Click on the "Consumers" tab toward the top of the page, then click on the "Case Comment Form." Please use case number IPC-E-21-12 when filling out the form. Any comments should also be e-mailed to Idaho Power at the e-mail addresses listed below.

If e-mail is unavailable, comments may be mailed to the commission and Idaho Power at these addresses:

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For additional information on Idaho Power's application, please visit:
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