DECISION MEMORANDUM

TO: **COMMISSIONER KJELLANDER**

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DATE: **JUNE 11, 2021**

SUBJECT: IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF IDAHO POWER

> COMPANY FOR APPROVAL OR REJECTION OF AN ENERGY SALES AGREEMENT WITH ARKOOSH HYDRO INC, FOR THE SALE AND PURCHASE OF ELECTRIC ENERGY FROM THE LITTLE WOOD

RIVER RANCH 1 HYDRO PROJECT; CASE NO. IPC-E-21-16.

On May 18, 2021, Idaho Power Company ("Company") applied to the Commission for approval or rejection of an energy sales agreement ("ESA") with Arkoosh Hydro Inc. ("Seller") for the energy generated by the Little Wood River Ranch 1 Hydro Project ("Facility"). The Facility has a nameplate capacity of 1014 kilowatts and is located near the city of Gooding, Idaho.

THE APPLICATION

The Seller has been delivering energy to the Company under a firm energy sales agreement for the Facility that was executed on June 11, 1985. The 1985 energy sales agreement expires on July 31, 2021. The new ESA has a 20-year term with non-levelized, non-seasonal hydro published avoided cost rates as set in Order No. 34683. The Company requests the Commission approve the ESA and declare all payments or purchase of energy under the ESA be allowed as prudently incurred expenses for ratemaking purposes. The Company requests that the Commission set a procedural schedule that would result in a final Commission determination on the ESA prior to July 31, 2021.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the Commission issue a Notice of Application and Notice of Modified Procedure establishing a July 7, 2021, public comment deadline and a July 14, 2021, Company reply deadline.

COMMISSION DECISION

Does the Commission wish to issue a Notice of Application and Notice of Modified Procedure establishing a July 7, 2021, public comment deadline and a July 14, 2021, Company reply deadline?

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