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Re: Case No. IPC-E-21-17
In the Matter of Idaho Power Company's Application for Authority to Increase
Its Rate for Electric Service to Recover Costs Associated with the Jim Bridger
Power Plant

Dear Ms. Noriyuki:

On November 17, 2021, the Idaho Public Utilities Commission ("Commission") issued Order No. 35222, suspending the procedural schedule and discovery in the above referenced case in response to a Joint Motion to Suspend Procedural Schedule ("Joint Motion") filed October 1, 2021, by Idaho Power Company ("Idaho Power" or "Company") and the Commission Staff ("Staff"). The Joint Motion detailed plant operator PacifiCorp's efforts towards complying with the Clean Air Act Regional Haze Rules and the resulting Wyoming Regional Haze State Implementation Plan ("Wyoming SIP") for Units 1 and 2, noting that discussions regarding compliance between the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA"), Wyoming and PacifiCorp were ongoing.

In addition, the Joint Motion noted that in its 2021 Integrated Resource Plan ("IRP"), PacifiCorp's IRP preferred portfolio and Action Plan envision the cessation of coal-fired generation in Units 1 and 2 in 2023 with a natural gas conversion of those units in 2024. The Joint Motion requested the suspension of discovery and the procedural schedule until greater clarity concerning Bridger emission limits and possible gas conversion was achieved. Order No. 35222 suspended the procedural schedule and discovery until the Company files an update or request to set the procedural schedule once more information is known, but in no event later than December 31, 2021. Idaho Power is providing an update at this time.

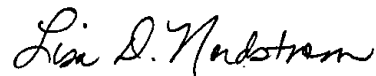
Similar to PacifiCorp's 2021 IRP, on December 30, 2021, Idaho Power filed its 2021 IRP with a preferred portfolio that also identifies the cessation of coal-fired generation in Units 1 and 2 in 2023 with a natural gas conversion of those units in 2024.

With respect to the Wyoming SIP, as of this date, the EPA has not formally acted on PacifiCorp's proposed alternative regional haze compliance plan for Bridger Units 1 and 2, which otherwise would require emission controls to be in place for Unit 2 by December 31, 2021, and for Unit 1 by December 31, 2022. On December 27, 2021, Wyoming Governor Mark Gordon issued a temporary emergency suspension, extending the compliance date of Unit 2 through April 30, 2022, while PacifiCorp awaits approval of the Wyoming SIP. The EPA continues to engage in discussions with the Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality and PacifiCorp regarding options for regional haze compliance of Units 1 and 2.

As a result of the ongoing discussions, and the potential for a near-term resolution of the issues, with this update Idaho Power requests the Commission continue the current schedule suspension. The Company commits to convene a conference with all parties to this case to discuss appropriate next steps, including the reopening of the procedural schedule, no later than April 30, 2022.

Please do not hesitate to contact me at (208) 388-5825 if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Lisa D. Nordstrom". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Lisa D. Nordstrom

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on the 30th day of December 2021, I served a true and correct copy of Idaho Power Company's Status Update upon the following named parties by the method indicated below, and addressed to the following:

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