

BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF IDAHO POWER) CASE NO. IPC-E-21-25
COMPANY’S PETITION FOR APPROVAL)
OF A CUSTOMER SURCHARGE AND) NOTICE OF MODIFIED
MODIFIED LINE ROUTE) PROCEDURE
CONFIGURATION FOR CONSTRUCTION)
OF A NEW 138 kV TRANSMISSION LINE IN)
THE WOOD RIVER VALLEY) ORDER NO. 35244
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On August 6, 2021, Idaho Power Company (“Company”) petitioned the Commission for an order: 1) approving a proposed surcharge for the Company’s customers in Blaine County to pay for additional undergrounding of a previously approved transmission line; 2) approving the modifications to the line route previously approved in the Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (“CPCN”) granted to the Company in Order No. 33872; and 3) finding that the Commission’s findings and directives from the CPCN, Order No. 33872, as well as the order requested in this case, carries with it the express authority over any action or order of other government agencies or local governments that are in conflict with such orders of the Commission pursuant to *Idaho Code* § 67-6528. In support of the Petition, the Company filed the direct testimony of Ryan Adelman, Vice President of Power Supply, regarding the Company’s local permitting activities with Blaine County, Idaho, as well as the proposed line route and configuration; and the direct testimony of Timothy Tatum, Vice President of Regulatory Affairs, regarding the proposed surcharge amounts and calculation method. The Company requested that its Petition be processed by Modified Procedure.

On October 12, 2021, the Commission issued Notice of the Company’s Petition and Notice of Intervention Deadline. *See* Order 35194. The Blaine County Board of County Commissioners, Kiki Leslie A. Tidwell, *pro se*, and Cox Communications were granted intervention into this case. *See* Order Nos. 35154 and 25225.

The Commission now issues Notice of Modified Procedure and sets comment and reply comment deadlines.

NOTICE OF MODIFIED PROCEDURE

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the Commission has determined that the public interest may not require a formal hearing in this matter, and that it will proceed under Modified Procedure pursuant to Rules 201 through 204 of the Commission’s Rules of Procedure, IDAPA 31.01.01.201 through .204. The Commission notes that Modified Procedure and written comments have proven to be an effective means for obtaining public input and participation.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that persons desiring to state a position on this Petition may file a written comment explaining why the person supports or opposes the Petition. Persons who would like a hearing must specifically request a hearing in their written comments. **Persons shall have until December 21, 2021, to file written comments.** Comments must be filed through the Commission website or by e-mail unless computer access is unavailable. To comment electronically, please access the Commission’s home page at www.puc.idaho.gov. Click the “Case Comment Form” and complete the form using the case number as it appears on the front of this document. To file by e-mail, the customer must e-mail the comments to the e-mail addresses listed below. In addition to submitting the comments to the Commission Secretary, the customer must also e-mail the Company at the e-mail addresses listed below. If computer access is unavailable, then comments may be mailed to the Commission and Company at these addresses:

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YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Company must file any reply comments **by January 11, 2022.**

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that if no written comments or protests are received within the time limit set, the Commission will consider this matter on its merits and enter its order without a formal hearing. If written comments are received within the time limit set, the Commission will consider them and, in its discretion, may set the same for formal hearing.


ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Company's Application be processed by Modified Procedure, Rules 201-204 (IDAPA 31.01.01.201-.204). Persons interested in submitting written comments must do so by December 21, 2021. The Company must file any reply comments by January 11, 2022.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that parties should continue to comply with Order No. 35058, issued June 3, 2021. All pleadings should be filed with the Commission electronically and shall be deemed timely filed when received by the Commission Secretary. *See* Rule 14.02. Service between parties should also be accomplished electronically. Voluminous discovery-related documents may be filed and served on CD-ROM or a USB flash drive.

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DONE by order of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission at Boise, Idaho this 30th day of November 2021.



PAUL KJELLANDER, PRESIDENT



KRISTINE RAPER, COMMISSIONER



ERIC ANDERSON, COMMISSIONER

ATTEST:



Jan Noriyuki
Commission Secretary

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