From: PUC Consumer Comments

To: <u>Jan Noriyuki</u>

Subject: Notice: A comment was submitted to PUCWeb Date: Thursday, August 26, 2021 7:00:08 AM

The following comment was submitted via PUCWeb:

Name: Barry Neiwert

Submission Time: Aug 25 2021 5:53PM

Email: barry.neiwert@gmail.com

Telephone: 208-309-3350 Address: 305 Bayhorse Road

Bellevue, ID 83313

Name of Utility Company: Idaho Power Co.

Case ID: IPC-E-21-25

Comment: "I urge the Commission to deny the requested surcharge to residents in our county which we would be paying nearly 10 million dollars over 20 years for very minimal value. The solution asked for by our county commissioners would underground the distribution lines in an existing line route and replace them with transmission circuits. This solution still leaves the existing structures in place but would be slightly shorter in length than the solution initially proposed by Idaho Power Co. that would route both the transmission and distribution circuits on the existing line route. Spending 10 million dollars to have slightly shorter structures is a total waste of money and benefits only those living in a small area of our county."

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Re: Idaho Power North Wood River Valley - 138Kv Transmission Line Project

Case # IPC-E-21-25

Dear IPUC:

I am definitely **not** in favor of having a 3% surcharge placed on my Idaho Power electric bills over the next 20 years to cover the cost of burying distribution lines in the above-referenced matter.

I have absolutely no interest if power lines are placed above ground or buried. People are driving quickly along Highway 75 and I have never seen cars stop along the Highway to simply admire the non-electrical pole views as they travel to Ketchum/Sun Valley.

And you expect me to agree to pay an additional \$3.42 a month on my power bill over 20 years? Definitely not an acceptable source of funding to me. Why should the South County be involved? I rarely go north and it is of no benefit to me. North County always wants what it wants (i.e., YMCA, hospital, etc. and pays for it) so North County should fund it. They are all caught up in the look, then tell them to pay for the buried line. I need my social security check for other more important things.

Sincerely,

Dorothy Schinella 1217 Glen Aspen Drive Bellevue, ID 83313 208-788-3566

From: PUC Consumer Comments

To: <u>Jan Noriyuki</u>

**Subject:** Notice: A comment was submitted to PUCWeb **Date:** Wednesday, August 25, 2021 5:00:07 PM

The following comments were submitted via PUCWeb:

Name: Wendy Jones

Submission Time: Aug 25 2021 4:20PM

Email: joneskwnn@gmail.com Telephone: 208-788-4156 Address: 18433 Hwy 20 Bellevue, ID 83313

Name of Utility Company: Idaho Power Co.

Case ID: IPC-E-21-25

Comment: "I request the IPUC not approve Idaho Power's request for a surcharge in order to fund the underground portion of the new Wood River-Ketchum transmission line. The reason for the surcharge is understood, however, I believe the Blaine County Commissioners have overstepped their authority. Because the cost of putting any part of the new line underground is to be borne by County taxpayers, voters should have the say whether it is built above or underground knowing what the financial responsibilities would be. Legally, do the Blaine County Commissioners even have the authority to enter into any agreement with Idaho Power that would have a financial effect on voters' individual power bills? It is unfortunate both Idaho Power and the PUC are being put in the position to hopefully force the Blaine County Commissioners to follow proper protocol."

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Name: William Miles

Submission Time: Aug 25 2021 4:22PM

Email: billmiles115@msn.com Telephone: 208-481-1222 Address: 71 Broadford Rd

Hailey, ID 83333

Name of Utility Company: Idaho Power

Case ID: IPC-E-21-25

Comment: "It is unequitable and unfair to charge all Blaine County ratepayers for the preference a few who prefer underground power lines in a specific area, when the rest of us have above ground lines too."

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