

BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF IDAHO POWER)	CASE NO. IPC-E-22-15
COMPANY’S APPLICATION FOR)	
AUTHORITY TO MODIFY SCHEDULE 79—)	NOTICE OF APPLICATION
WEATHERIZATION ASSISTANCE FOR)	
QUALIFIED CUSTOMERS)	NOTICE OF INTERVENTION
)	DEADLINE
)	
)	ORDER NO. 35424

On May 4, 2022, Idaho Power Company (“Company”) applied for Commission authorization to modify Schedule 79—Weatherization Assistance for Qualified Customers (“Schedule 79” or “WAQC”), to include re-weatherization projects for qualifying customers. The Company requests its application be processed by Modified Procedure.

With this Order, the Commission provides Notice of the Application and sets a deadline for interested parties to intervene.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the Company requests to modify Schedule 79 to fund 100% of re-weatherization projects using carryover funds.¹ Eligible customers will include those who have previously qualified for the Schedule 79 weatherization program but did not receive an HVAC replacement at the time.² The Company estimates there are 1,000 homes that will be eligible for re-weatherization. If approved, the Company would report project results in its annual Demand-Side Management report.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Company has experienced an increase in carryover funds during the past two years due to COVID-19, supply chain issues, and labor and staffing shortages. In 2021, the Company made \$1,861,402 available to Idaho Community Action Partnerships (“CAP”) agencies, with \$648,868 of those funds carrying over from 2020. Of the

¹ The Company proposes to define re-weatherization project as “homes that have previously been weatherized through [Schedule 79] within a rolling 14-year period and did not have an HVAC replacement or had an inoperable heat system.” Application at 7-8.

² Currently, the Department of Energy (“DOE”) pays for at least 15% of the total cost of qualifying conservation measures under Schedule 79, but DOE guidelines preclude DOE funds from being used at the same site with a rolling 14-year period. Under the current tariff structure any home inside the 14-year window would be ineligible for re-weatherization.

funds available in 2021, \$990,416 were paid to Idaho CAP agencies, while \$870,985 carried over to 2022. The 2022 WAQC budget exceeds \$2 million due to addition of carryover funds.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Company's Application is designed to address the increasing amount of carryover funds that have accumulated recently and to give CAP agencies flexibility in using those funds to help low-income customers without impacting the current WAQC program structure.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that Attachment 2 to the Application includes a full list of eligibility requirements that were developed collaboratively with stakeholders.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Application, proposed tariff schedule, and supporting attachments have been filed with the Commission and are available for public inspection during regular business hours at the Commission's office. These documents are also available on the Commission's website at www.puc.idaho.gov. Click on the "ELECTRIC" icon, select "Open Cases," and then click on the case number as shown on the front of this document.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that all proceedings in this case will be held pursuant to the Commission's jurisdiction under Title 61 of the Idaho Code.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that all proceedings in this matter will be conducted pursuant to the Commission's Rules of Procedure, IDAPA 31.01.01.000 *et seq.*

NOTICE OF INTERVENTION DEADLINE

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that persons desiring to intervene in this matter to obtain parties' rights of participation must file a Petition to Intervene with the Commission pursuant to this Commission's Rules of Procedure 72 and 73, IDAPA 31.01.01.072 and -.073. **Persons who wish to intervene as a party must file a Petition to Intervene no later than 21 days after the date of service of this Order.** Such persons shall also provide the Commission Secretary with their email address to facilitate further communications. After the intervention deadline runs, the Commission Secretary shall issue a Notice of Parties that identifies the parties and assigns exhibit numbers to each party. Once the Notice of Parties has issued, Commission Staff shall informally confer with the Company and any intervening parties about how to further process this case and shall then report back to the Commission on a proposed case schedule.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that persons who would like to present their views without parties' rights of participation and cross-examination do not have to intervene but may present their views by submitting written comments to the Commission.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the following people are designated as the Company's representatives in this matter:

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ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that persons desiring to intervene in this matter must file a Petition to Intervene no later than **21-days from the service date of this Order**. Once the deadline has passed, the Commission Secretary shall prepare and issue a Notice of Parties.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, after the Notice of Parties has issued, Commission Staff shall confer with the parties regarding a procedural schedule for this matter including, if necessary, a hearing in this matter.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that parties comply with Order No. 35375, issued April 21, 2022. Generally, all pleadings should be filed with the Commission electronically and will be deemed timely filed when received by the Commission Secretary. *See* Rule 14.02. Service between parties should continue to be accomplished electronically when possible. However, 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 3rd day of June 2022.



ERIC ANDERSON, PRESIDENT

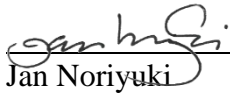


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