DECISION MEMORANDUM

TO: COMMISSIONER ANDERSON

COMMISSIONER HAMMOND COMMISSIONER LODGE COMMISSION SECRETARY

COMMISSION STAFF

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FROM: RILEY NEWTON

DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL

DATE: MARCH 7, 2023

SUBJECT: IN THE MATTER OF IDAHO POWER COMPANY'S APPLICATION

FOR AUTHORITY TO ESTABLISH COMPENSATION FOR THE MANDATORY INTERRUPTION REQUIREMENT OF SCHEDULE 20 –

SPECULATIVE HIGH-DENSITY LOAD; CASE NO. IPC-E-22-30.

On December 28, 2022, Idaho Power Company ("Company") applied to the Idaho Public Utilities Commission ("Commission") for an order prior to the start of the June 15 – September 15 interruption period: (1) establishing a compensation rate of \$0.0734 per kilowatt ("kW") per hour of interruption for Large General Service Rates under Schedule 20, and \$0.0835 per kW per hour of interruption for Large Power Service Rates or, in the alternative, (2) deferring implementation of a compensation structure for the mandatory interruption requirement of Schedule 20 until evaluation of cost assignment responsibility for Schedule 20 was completed at a general rate case. Application at 1-2. The Company requested its Application be processed by Modified Procedure.

On January 18, 2023, the Commission issued a Notice of Application, and Notice of Intervention Deadline. Order No. 35666. The Commission ordered Commission Staff ("Staff") to "confer with the parties regarding a procedural schedule for processing this case" after the Notice of Parties issued. *Id.* at 4.

The Notice of Parties was issued on February 14, 2023. No party intervened. The Company filed a Scheduling Request on February 22, 2023, after conferring with Staff, stating that it no longer sought a Commission order in this case before the June 15, 2023, interruption period.

The Company and Staff both agreed to processing this case by Modified Procedure with a June 7, 2023, Staff and public comment deadline and a June 21, 2023, Company reply comment deadline.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff notes the Company's representations that there are no customers currently taking service under Schedule 20 and that it would take approximately one year for customers who wish to take service under Schedule 20 to interconnect to the Company's system. Staff further notes there are no intervenors in this case and the anticipated workload associated with annual spring regulatory filings. Staff recommends the Commission issue a Notice of Modified procedure and set a June 7, 2023, Staff and public comment deadline, and a June 21, 2023, Company Reply comment deadline.

COMMISSION DECISION

Does the Commission wish to issue a Notice of Modified Procedure setting a June 7, 2023, Staff and public comment deadline, and a June 21, 2023, Company Reply comment deadline?

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