# BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION	)		
OF IDAHO POWER COMPANY FOR	)	CASE NO.	IPC-E-23-11
AUTHORITY TO INCREASE ITS RATES	)		
AND CHARGES FOR ELECTRIC SERVICE	)		
IN THE STATE OF IDAHO AND FOR	)		
ASSOCIATED REGULATORY ACCOUNTING	)		
TREATMENT.	)		
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IDAHO POWER COMPANY

DIRECT TESTIMONY

OF

GRANT T. ANDERSON

- 1 Q. Please state your name, business address, and
- 2 present position with Idaho Power Company ("Idaho Power" or
- 3 "Company").
- 4 A. My name is Grant T. Anderson. My business
- 5 address is 1221 West Idaho Street, Boise, Idaho 83702. I am
- 6 employed by Idaho Power as a Regulatory Consultant in the
- 7 Regulatory Affairs Department.
- 8 Q. Please describe your educational background.
- 9 A. In May of 2013, I received a Bachelor of Science
- 10 degree in Microbiology from Oregon State University. In May of
- 11 2015, I earned a Master of Business Administration degree from
- 12 Boise State University. In addition, I have attended the
- 13 electric utility ratemaking course The Basics: Practical
- 14 Regulatory Training for the Electric Industry, a course
- 15 offered through New Mexico State University's Center for
- 16 Public Utilities.
- 17 Q. Please describe your work experience with Idaho
- 18 Power.
- 19 A. In 2018, I was hired as a Regulatory Analyst in
- 20 the Company's Regulatory Affairs Department. My primary
- 21 responsibilities as a Regulatory Analyst included supporting
- 22 the Company's Commercial and Industrial customer classes' rate
- 23 design and general support of tariff rules and regulations. In
- 24 2021, I was promoted to my current position as a Regulatory
- 25 Consultant. My responsibilities expanded to include the

- 1 development of complex cost-related studies and support of the
- 2 Company's Residential and Small General Service ("R&SGS") and
- 3 on-site generation customer classes' rate design.
- 4 Q. What is the purpose of your testimony in this
- 5 matter?
- 6 A. My testimony will address the Company's rate
- 7 design proposals for residential, on-site generation, large
- 8 commercial, and industrial customers.
- 9 Q. How is your testimony organized?
- 10 A. My testimony is organized as follows:
- First, I describe the Company's proposed rate changes for
- 12 residential service under Schedule 1, Residential Service
- 13 Standard Plan ("Schedule 1"), Schedule 3, Master-Metered
- Mobile Home Park Residential Service ("Schedule 3"), and
- 15 Schedule 5, Residential Service Time-of-Use ("Schedule
- 16 5").
- Second, I describe the Company's proposed Residential
- 18 Price Modernization Plan for all residential service
- 19 customers.
- Third, I describe the Company's proposed rate changes for
- 21 on-site generation under Schedule 6, Residential Service
- On-Site Generation ("Schedule 6") and Schedule 8, Small
- 23 General Service On-Site Generation ("Schedule 8").
- Fourth, I describe the Company's proposed rate changes for
- large commercial customers taking primary and transmission

- service under Schedule 9, Large General Service ("Schedule
- 2 9") and for industrial customers taking service under
- 3 Schedule 19, Large Power Service ("Schedule 19").
- Lastly, I will address updates to Schedule 68,
- 5 Interconnections to Customer Distributed Energy Resources
- 6 ("Schedule 68").
- 7 Q. Are you sponsoring any exhibits?
- 8 A. Yes. I am sponsoring the following exhibits:
- 9 <u>Exhibit</u> <u>Description</u>
- 10 Exhibit No. 53 Calculation of Proposed Rates
- 11 Exhibit No. 54 Typical Monthly Billing Comparison
- 12 Exhibit No. 55 Residential Price Modernization Plan
- Exhibit No. 56 Schedule 6/8 Non-Legacy Bill Comparison
- 14 I. RESIDENTIAL RATE DESIGN
- Q. What are the Company's residential service
- 16 schedules?
- 17 A. Idaho Power has four residential service
- 18 schedules, Schedules 1, 3, 5, and 6. Schedule 1 is available
- 19 to all customers taking service for general domestic use.
- 20 Schedule 3 is available only to master-metered mobile home
- 21 parks included on the Company's list of "grandfathered" mobile
- 22 home parks. Schedule 5 is an optional, time-of-use pricing
- 23 program with an on-peak and off-peak time-of-use period.
- 24 Schedule 6 is an optional net metering service that I will
- 25 more fully describe later in my testimony.

- 1 Q. What is the annual revenue requirement to be
- 2 recovered from residential service customers?
- 3 A. The annual revenue requirement to be recovered
- 4 from residential service customers, which includes Schedules
- 5 1, 3, 5, and 6, is \$650,093,265, as shown on page 5 of Company
- 6 Witness Mr. Paul Goralski's Exhibit No. 48, representing a
- 7 12.25 percent increase.
- 8 Q. What are the changes the Company is proposing to
- 9 the current rate design for residential service?
- 10 A. For the residential service schedules, the
- 11 Company is proposing to adjust each of the billing components
- 12 to move closer to its cost of service. This includes a
- 13 proposal to initially increase the Service Charge from the
- 14 existing \$5.00 per month to \$15.00 for all residential
- 15 schedules. Also, for Schedule 5, the Company is proposing
- 16 modifications to the definitions of on- and off-peak to better
- 17 align with the Company's hours of highest risk as informed by
- 18 its Integrated Resource Plan ("IRP") as described in more
- 19 detail in the Direct Testimony of Company Witness Ms. Connie
- 20 Aschenbrenner.
- Q. Where does the Company show a comparison of the
- 22 present and proposed rates within each of the Company's
- 23 service schedules?
- A. Pages 1-5 of Exhibit No. 53 shows a comparison
- 25 of the present and proposed rates for each of the residential

- 1 service schedules, which I will describe later in my
- 2 testimony.

### 3 A. Schedule 1, Residential Service Standard Plan

- 4 Q. Could you please describe the present rate
- 5 structure under Schedule 1 for residential service?
- A. Yes. Residential service under Schedule 1 has a
- 7 present Service Charge of \$5.00 per month and seasonal
- 8 inclining block tiered rates where the price of energy is
- 9 higher when a customer uses more than a given threshold during
- 10 a monthly billing period. Table 1 provides a summary of the
- 11 present base tariff rates under Schedule 1.

### 12 **Table 1**

13 Schedule 1 Residential Energy Rates - Present

	C	Man Carrena
	Summer	Non-Summer
Energy Charge, per kWh		
First 800 kWh	8.6518 ¢	8.0390 ¢
801-2,000 kWh	10.4033 ¢	8.8627 ¢
All Additional kWh Over 2,000	12.3585 ¢	9.8154 ¢

- 14
- 15 O. How does the Company propose to spread the
- 16 proposed revenue increase for Schedule 1 to the rates within
- 17 that schedule?
- 18 A. The Company proposes to increase the Energy
- 19 Charges while slightly decreasing the price differential
- 20 between the three energy blocks and increase the Service
- 21 Charge from \$5.00 per month to \$15.00 per month. The proposed
- 22 Energy Charges are summarized below in Table 2. I will discuss

- 1 the justification and rationale for the increase in the
- 2 Service Charge later in my testimony.

#### Table 2

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Schedule 1 Residential Energy Rates - Proposed

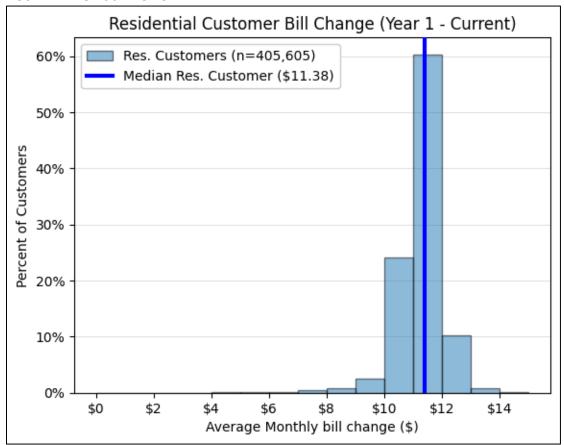
	Summer	Non-Summer
Energy Charge, per kWh		
First 800 kWh	10.2985 ¢	9.3050 ¢
801-2,000 kWh	11.7937 ¢	10.0034 ¢
All Additional kWh Over 2,000	13.9291 ¢	10.7014 ¢

- 6 Q. How will the proposal impact a residential
- 7 customer with average consumption?
- 8 A. Inclusive of the increase to the Service Charge,
- 9 the proposed bill changes for a customer on Schedule 1 using
- 10 an average of 950 kilowatt hours ("kWh") per month is \$12.26
- 11 per month, or a 12.8 percent change in their electric bill.
- 12 The present average monthly bill for 950 kWh is \$95.73, and
- 13 that would increase to \$107.99. Page 1 of Exhibit No. 54 shows
- 14 the bill comparison table for the bill change across different
- 15 average monthly usage levels. The largest increase across the
- 16 different usage levels shown is a \$17.98 per month increase,
- 17 or a 3.2 percent change in their electric bill, for a customer
- 18 using 5,000 kWh.
- 19 Q. Did the Company evaluate the distribution of
- 20 customer bill impacts for residential customers?
- 21 A. Yes. Figure 1 shows the distribution of Schedule
- 22 1 bill impacts reflective of the overall increase in revenue
- 23 from the residential class of 12.25 percent and a \$15.00

- 1 Service Charge. The median average monthly bill increase in
- 2 the first year of the transition is \$11.38. Based on
- 3 historical 2022 energy consumption, 89 percent of residential
- 4 customers would have an average monthly bill increase of \$12
- 5 or less.

#### 6 Figure 1

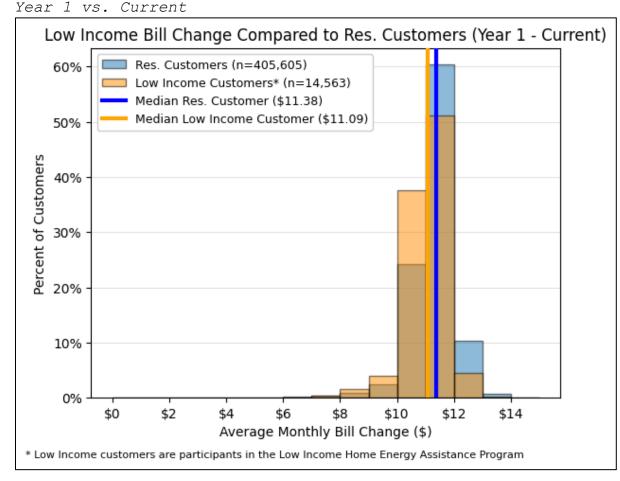
- 7 Residential Price Modernization Bill Impact
- **Year 1 vs Current**



- 9
- Q. Did the Company evaluate the distribution of
- 11 customer bill impacts for low-income residential customers?
- 12 A. Yes. The Company prepared some of the same bill
- 13 impact information, but specific to low-income customers.
- 14 Because the Company does not track income information for its

- 1 customers, this impact analysis relied on those customers
- 2 identified as having received energy assistance through the
- 3 Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program ("LIHEAP") as a
- 4 proxy for a low-income customer segment. Figure 2 shows the
- 5 distribution of low-income customer bill impacts reflective of
- 6 the overall increase in revenue from the residential class of
- 7 12.25 percent and a \$15.00 Service Charge. The median average
- 8 monthly bill increase in the first year of the transition is
- 9 \$11.09. Approximately 95 percent of the low-income customer
- 10 segment shown would have an average monthly bill increase of
- 11 \$12 or less as a result of the year one changes requested in
- 12 this case.
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Residential Price Modernization Bill Impact - Low Income



- As shown in Figure 2, these low-income customers are not 5
- 6 disproportionately negatively impacted under the Company's
- 7 residential rate design proposal.
- 8 Q. Does the Company propose any other changes to
- 9 Schedule 1?

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- 10 Yes. The Company is proposing additional Α.
- 11 increases to the Service Charge while commensurately
- 12 flattening the inclining block structure in 2025 and 2026. I
- 13 will address this in more detail later in my testimony when
- 14 describing the Company's proposed Residential Price

- 1 Modernization Plan. These additional proposed changes are
- 2 designed to be revenue neutral relative to rates as proposed
- 3 for 2024 in this docket.

# 4 B. Schedule 3, Master-Metered Mobile-Home Park Residential

- 5 Service
- 6 Q. Do you propose any rate design changes for
- 7 Schedule 3?
- 8 A. No. The only change to Schedule 3 is an increase
- 9 in the Service Charge from \$5.00 to \$15.00 per month and a
- 10 uniform decrease in the Energy Charge to achieve the required
- 11 revenue for that schedule. The Company's proposed rate design
- 12 for Schedule 3 is shown on page 4 of Exhibit No. 53.
- 13 C. Schedule 5, Residential Service Time-of-Use Plan
- Q. Could you please describe the present rate
- 15 structure under Schedule 5 for residential service?
- 16 A. Yes. Residential service under Schedule 5,
- 17 currently has an on-peak and off-peak time block in both the
- 18 summer and non-summer seasons. In the summer, the on-peak
- 19 block is eight hours long and in the non-summer, the on-peak
- 20 block is 14 hours long. The off-peak rate is the same for both
- 21 summer and non-summer seasons. The summer on-peak rate is
- 22 currently 1.7x higher than the off-peak rate, and the non-
- 23 summer on-peak rate is 1.3x higher than the off-peak rate.
- 24 Table 3 provides a summary of the present base tariff rates
- 25 under Schedule 5.
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#### 1 Table 3

2 Schedule 5 Residential Time-of-Use Energy Rates - Present

	Summer	Non-Summer
Energy Charge, per kWh		
On-Peak	12.8910 ¢	9.5159 ¢
Off-Peak	7.3899 ¢	7.3899 ¢
On:Off Differential	1.7x	1.3x

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- 4 Q. How does the Company propose to spread the
- 5 proposed revenue increase to Schedule 5 rates?
- 6 A. The Company proposes to shorten the on-peak
- 7 periods, increase the price differential between on-peak and
- 8 off-peak Energy Charge time blocks, and increase the Service
- 9 Charge from \$5.00 per month to \$15.00 per month, consistent
- 10 with all other residential service schedules. Table 4
- 11 summarizes the proposed Energy Charges.

#### 12 **Table 4**

13 Schedule 5 Residential Time-of-Use Energy Rates - Proposed

	Summer	Non-Summer
Energy Charge, per kWh		
On-Peak	27.9642 ¢	13.4745 ¢
Off-Peak	6.9911 ¢	8.9830 ¢
On:Off Differential	4.0x	1.5x

- 14
- 15 Q. How will the proposal impact a residential time-
- 16 of-use customer with average consumption?
- 17 A. Inclusive of the increase to the Service Charge,
- 18 the proposed bill change for a Schedule 5 residential customer
- 19 using an average of 1,400 kWh per month is \$17.59 per month,
- 20 or a 12.5 percent change in their electric bill. The present
- 21 bill for 1,400 kWh is \$140.25 and would increase to \$157.84.

- 1 Page 3 of Exhibit No. 54 shows the bill comparison table for
- 2 the bill change across different average monthly usage levels.
- 3 The largest dollar increase across the different usage levels
- 4 shown is a \$37.10 per month increase, or 7.6 percent for a
- 5 customer using 5,000 kWh per month.
- 6 This average monthly bill comparison assumes no change
- 7 in usage. Presumably, a customer will respond to the price
- 8 signal between the new on- and off-peak time-of-use blocks,
- 9 resulting in the opportunity to reduce their energy bill.
- 10 Q. Did the Company evaluate the time-of-use periods
- 11 for Schedule 5?
- 12 A. Yes. As I will describe later in my testimony,
- 13 the Company is proposing changes to the definitions of the
- 14 time blocks commensurate with increasing the price
- 15 differential between on- and off-peak. I will describe the
- 16 proposed changes to the time blocks as part of the Company's
- 17 Residential Price Modernization Plan.
- 18 Q. Are you proposing any other changes to Schedule
- 19 5?
- 20 A. Similar to Schedule 1, there are additional
- 21 revenue neutral rate changes that I will describe in the
- 22 context of the Residential Price Modernization Plan.
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# 1 II. RESIDENTIAL PRICE MODERNIZATION PLAN

#### 2 A. Residential Price Modernization Plan Overview

- 3 Q. What is the Company's Residential Price
- 4 Modernization Plan?
- 5 A. The Company proposes a three-year transition
- 6 period to modify the structure of its residential rates to
- 7 include the following:
- 8 1. Increase the Service Charge for residential service
- 9 under Schedules 1, 3, 5, and 6 to \$35.00 per month and
- 10 lower Energy Charges commensurately. If the Company
- files a general rate case during the Residential Price
- 12 Modernization Plan transition the rates would be updated
- to reflect any Commission approved rate changes.
- 2. Eliminate inclining block tiered rates for Schedules 1
- and 6, resulting in Energy Charges that are flat for
- each season.
- 3. Update the time periods for on- and off-peak periods for
- 18 Schedule 5 to better reflect the hours of system risk.
- 19 Q. When does the Company propose these changes
- 20 occur?
- 21 A. The first Service Charge increase is included
- 22 with the proposed revenue increase in this proceeding. The
- 23 second- and third-year changes would go into effect on January
- 24 1, 2025, and January 1, 2026, respectively. As I previously

- 1 described, the Company proposes to update the on- and off-peak
- 2 periods under Schedule 5 effective January 1, 2024.
- 3 O. Does the first year of the Residential Price
- 4 Modernization Plan include more than just the transitioning?
- 5 A. Yes. The first year of the Residential Price
- 6 Modernization Plan also includes the increase in revenue
- 7 requirement. However, the second and third year of the
- 8 Residential Price Modernization Plan transition is revenue
- 9 neutral relative to the first year and does not increase the
- 10 Company's Commission-approved revenue requirement as proposed
- 11 in this docket.

# 12 B. Fixed Service Charge

- 13 Q. What is the Service Charge?
- 14 A. The Service Charge is a flat fixed amount that a
- 15 customer pays every month irrespective of usage.
- 16 Q. How much is the Service Charge for residential
- 17 service?
- 18 A. For residential service, the Service Charge is
- 19 presently \$5.00 per month.
- Q. What proportion of a residential customer's cost
- 21 of service is related to fixed costs?
- 22 A. On average, the cost of service for a
- 23 residential customer is \$105.84 per month, and \$29.52 or about
- 24 28 percent of this value is energy related. The remaining
- 25 \$76.32 or about 72 percent is fixed and not energy related.

- 1 Q. What proportion of revenues from residential
- 2 customers is recovered through the fixed Service Charge?
- 3 A. For Schedule 1, only about five percent of
- 4 revenue is collected through the Service Charge. For Schedule
- 5 5, only about three percent of revenue is collected through
- 6 the Service Charge.
- 7 Q. What Service Charge does the Company propose for
- 8 the end of the three-year transition?
- 9 A. The Company proposes the Service Charge be set
- 10 at \$35.00 for all residential service schedules.
- 11 Q. Why is the Company proposing the same Service
- 12 Charge for both Schedule 1 and Schedule 5?
- 13 A. Schedule 5 is an optional rate schedule that
- 14 residential customers can choose to take service under. The
- 15 Company would like residential customers to opt-in to time-of-
- 16 use residential service because they want the opportunity to
- 17 save money by shifting usage to off-peak periods not because
- 18 a Service Charge benefits them under a particular residential
- 19 service offering. Therefore, having the same Service Charge
- 20 for both Schedule 1 and Schedule 5 would prevent customers
- 21 from choosing one schedule or the other based upon the dynamic
- 22 between the fixed and volumetric charges.
- 23 Q. How does \$35.00 per month compare to the fixed
- 24 service or customer charge for other electric utilities in
- 25 Idaho?

- A. At \$35.00 per month, the Company's residential
- 2 Service Charge would be within the range of the fixed monthly
- 3 rates that other Idaho electric utilities charge for
- 4 residential customers. Table 5 below shows the fixed monthly
- 5 residential charges for all Idaho electric utilities with more
- 6 than 1,000 customers.

### 7 Table 5

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8 Fixed Monthly Residential Charges for Idaho Electric Utilities

9	with	More	Than	1,000	Customers
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Utility		Price
Avista	\$	7.00
City of Idaho Falls		20.00
Fall River Rural Electric Cooperative		39.00
Inland Power & Light Company		26.55
Kootenai Electric Cooperative		32.50
Lower Valley Energy		16.00
Northern Lights		30.00
Raft Rural Electric Cooperative		22.50
Rocky Mountain Power		8.00
Salmon River Electric Cooperative		43.00
United Electric Cooperative		22.00
Average	\$	24.23

Note: All fixed monthly charges available from each utility's website as of May 22, 2023.

- 11 Avista and Rocky Mountain Power have proposed similar changes
- 12 to their fixed residential charges in current dockets. If both
- 13 were approved as filed, the final year of their respective

- 1 transition periods would increase the average fixed monthly
- 2 residential charge in Table 5 from \$24.23 to \$28.32.1

### 3 C. Tiered Energy Charges

- 4 Q. How do the Company's current tiered energy
- 5 charges work for Schedule 1?
- 6 A. Schedule 1 customers are subject to seasonal
- 7 inclining block tiered rates where the price of energy is
- 8 higher when a customer uses more than a given threshold during
- 9 a monthly billing period. Additionally, energy charges vary in
- 10 price by season, with higher energy pricing in the summer
- 11 season of June through August and lower pricing in the non-
- 12 summer season of September through May.

#### 13 D. Time-of-Use

- Q. What are the current time-of-use periods for
- 15 Schedule 5 and what changes does the Company propose?
- 16 A. Currently, the on-peak period for Schedule 5 is
- 17 weekdays from 1 p.m. to 9 p.m. during summer months and from 7
- 18 a.m. to 9 p.m. during non-summer months excluding holidays.
- 19 The off-peak period is during all other hours. The summer
- 20 season is defined as June through August and the non-summer
- 21 season is defined as September through May.

¹ In the Matter of the Application of Avista Corporation for the Authority to Increase its Rates and Charges for Electric Natural Gas Customers in the State of Idaho, Case Nos. AVU-E-23-01 and AVU-G-23-01, Miller Direct at 27 (proposing Schedule 1 basic charge increasing from \$7 to \$35 over 5 years). In the Matter of the Application of Rocky Mountain Power for Authority to Implement the Residential Rate Modernization Plan, Case No. PAC-E-22-15, Meredith Direct at 2-3 (proposing basic charge increasing from \$9 to \$29.25 over 5 years).

- 1 As described in the Direct Testimony of Ms.
- 2 Aschenbrenner, the Company is proposing the time-of-use
- 3 definitions for applicable rate classes be updated to better
- 4 align with hours of highest risk as informed by Idaho Power's
- 5 IRP. Specifically for Schedule 5, the on-peak period proposed
- 6 is Monday to Saturday from 7 p.m. to 11 p.m. during the summer
- 7 months. During the non-summer months the on-peak period would
- 8 be Monday to Saturday from 7 a.m. to 9 a.m. and 6 p.m. to 9
- 9 p.m.
- 10 The Company is also proposing to modify the summer
- 11 season for all rate classes to June through September, which
- 12 is described in more detail in the Direct Testimony of Ms.
- 13 Aschenbrenner.
- 14 O. What are the current price differentials between
- 15 on- and off-peak?
- 16 A. The current summer on-peak rate is 12.8910 cents
- 17 per kWh and the off-peak rate is 7.3899 cents per kWh,
- 18 resulting in a 1.7x differential between on- and off-peak. The
- 19 current non-summer on-peak rate is 9.5159 cents per kWh,
- 20 resulting in a 1.3x differential between on- and off-peak.
- Q. What price differentials is the Company
- 22 proposing in its Residential Price Modernization Plan?
- 23 A. The Company is proposing an on-peak to off-peak
- 24 price ratio of 4.0x for the summer and 1.5x for the non-
- 25 summer.

- 1 Q. How did the Company develop its recommended
- 2 pricing structure for residential time-of-use?
- 3 A. Ms. Aschenbrenner directed me to develop an
- 4 offering in a manner that would be most effective at promoting
- 5 a response to the price signal. From evaluating industry
- 6 trends I found a common theme: as the price ratio increases,
- 7 customers shift usage in greater amounts, but at a declining
- 8 rate. A database of customer response to time-varying rates
- 9 conducted by Brattle<sup>2</sup> shows a relationship between price
- 10 response and price ratio where a 4.0x peak to off-peak price
- 11 ratio could provide a peak impact of approximately 10 percent.
- 12 For the non-summer season, the Company selected a 1.5
- 13 differential to only moderately increase the existing
- 14 differential to send a price signal to customers during the
- 15 more narrowly defined hours of highest system risk during the
- 16 non-summer season. I believe this design will elicit customer
- 17 adoption, incentivize customers to shift load outside of the
- 18 highest risk hours, and provide customers an opportunity to
- 19 reduce their electric bills.

### 20 E. Rate Design Calculations

- Q. What prices does the Company propose for the
- 22 three-year Residential Price Modernization Plan?

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The Brattle Group, Arcturus 2.0: A Meta-analysis of Time-varying Rates for Electricity, The Electricity Journal, vol. 30, issue 10 (Dec. 2017).

- 1 A. Exhibit No. 55 shows the proposed prices,
- 2 billing determinants, and anticipated revenue for the
- 3 Residential Price Modernization Plan. It is important to note,
- 4 the anticipated residential revenue for each year of the
- 5 transition does not increase in years two or three of the
- 6 plan. Rather, in each successive year of the transition
- 7 period, the revenue from the Service Charge increases and
- 8 revenue from the Energy Charge decreases commensurately, which
- 9 ensures a revenue neutral proposal. Additionally, for
- 10 Schedules 1 and 6, the differences between the three energy
- 11 blocks are eliminated by the final transition year. Table 6
- 12 summarizes the proposed prices for Schedules 1 and 6 for each
- 13 year of the transition.

14 Table 6
15 Proposed Schedule 1 and 6 Prices by Transition Year

Transition Year									
Description		Current		Year 1		Year 2		Year 3	
Service Charge	\$	5.00	\$	15.00	\$	25.00	\$	35.00	
Summer Energy Charges									
First 800 kWh		8.6518¢		10.2985 ¢		9.5182 ¢		8.7379 ¢	
801-2,000 kWh		10.4033 ¢		11.7937 ¢		10.2658¢		8.7379 ¢	
All Additional kWh		12.3585 ¢		13.9291 ¢		11.5634 ¢		8.7379 ¢	
Non-Summer Energy Charg	zes								
First 800 kWh		8.0390 ¢		9.3050 ¢		8.3859 ¢		7.4669 ¢	
801-2,000 kWh		8.8627 ¢		10.0034 ¢		8.7351 ¢		7.4669 ¢	
All Additional kWh		9.8154 ¢		10.7014 ¢		9.0306¢		7.4669 ¢	

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2 for each year of the transition.

3 Table 7
4 Proposed Schedule 5 Prices by Transition Year

		Transition Year							
Description	<u> </u>	Current Year 1		Year 2		Year 3			
Service Charge	\$	5.00	\$	15.00	\$	25.00	\$	35.00	
Summer Energy Charges									
On-Peak		12.8910 ¢		27.9642 ¢		26.0477 ¢		24.1307 ¢	
Off-Peak		7.3899 ¢		6.9911¢		6.5119¢		6.0327 ¢	
On:Off Differential		1.7x		4.0x		4.0x		4.0x	
Non-Summer Energy Cha	arges								
On-Peak		9.5159¢		13.4745 ¢		12.5509 ¢		11.6273 ¢	
Off-Peak		7.3899 ¢		8.9830 ¢		8.3672 ¢		7.7515 ¢	
On:Off Differential		1.3x		1.5x		1.5x		1.5x	

Q. How were prices for the three-year Residential
Price Modernization transition determined?

A. The \$35.00 Service Charge was determined by taking residential revenue from Schedules 1, 3, and 5, and multiplying by the proportion of cost of service related to all other fixed costs besides generation and transmission costs and dividing by the number of monthly billings. The resulting \$36.09 was rounded down to \$35.00. To determine prices for the transition, the Service Charge was increased by one-third of the difference between the present \$5.00 Service Charge and \$35.00 in each year of the transition.

transition were determined by applying the seasonal differential and solving for the remaining revenue required

Flat seasonal Energy Charges in the final year of the

- 1 for the class after removing the proposed Service Charge
- 2 revenue. Prices for each transition year were determined by
- 3 decreasing the Energy Charge by one-third of the difference
- 4 between the present and final transition year price in each
- 5 subsequent period.
- To determine the proposed Schedule 5 Energy Charges,
- 7 the final transition year on- and off-peak Energy Charges were
- 8 set to reflect a 4:1 differential while also reflecting the
- 9 increase in recovery from the higher Service Charge.
- 10 Q. Why is the Company proposing to modify the on-
- 11 and off-peak price differential?
- 12 A. The proposal is intended to send a more
- 13 meaningful price signal to customers to shift energy usage to
- 14 off-peak hours. Providing this price signal in conjunction
- 15 with the shorter window of time for the on-peak period
- 16 furthers two distinct objectives: (1) incenting customers to
- 17 shift usage from highest risk hours, and (2) creating an
- 18 opportunity for customers to reduce bills.

### 19 F. Customer Bill Impacts

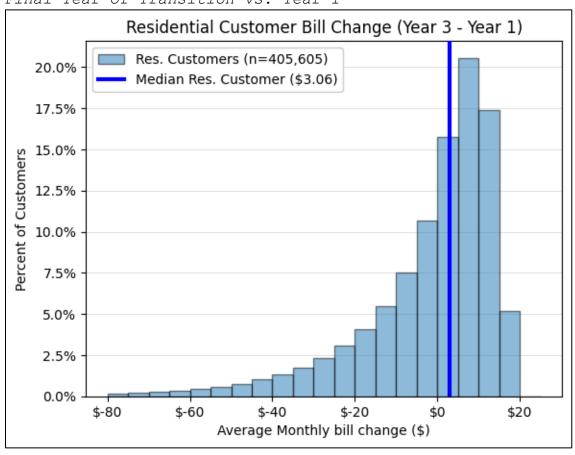
- 20 Q. How would the Company's proposed rate increase
- 21 and the Residential Price Modernization Plan impact customers
- 22 at different usage levels?
- 23 A. Page 1 of Exhibit No. 54 shows a bill comparison
- 24 table for the bill impact of the first year of the transition
- 25 for Schedule 1 customers across different usage levels and

- 1 page 2 shows the same for the change from the first year to
- 2 the final year of the transition. The largest change shown
- 3 over the transition is for a customer using 150 kWh, which
- 4 would see a \$10.38 per month increase in the first year. The
- 5 increase for a customer using 150 kWh for the entire
- 6 transition period is \$27.76 per month. The difference between
- 7 these values demonstrates the need to make the changes in
- 8 price over the requested three-year period to moderate
- 9 customer impacts. Pages 3 and 4 of Exhibit No. 54 shows the
- 10 same information, except for the proposed transition for
- 11 Schedule 5.
- 12 Q. Did the Company evaluate the distribution of
- 13 customer bill impacts for the full transition of the
- 14 Residential Price Modernization Plan?
- 15 A. Yes. Figure 3 shows the distribution for the
- 16 final year of the transition period for Schedule 1 customers,
- 17 as compared to the first year. The changes implemented in
- 18 years two and three will be revenue neutral and the median
- 19 average monthly bill increase in the final year of the
- 20 transition, compared to the first year, is \$3.06. Based on
- 21 historical 2022 energy consumption, 86 percent of residential
- 22 customers would have an average monthly bill increase of \$12
- 23 or less between year one and year three of the plan.
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5 Did the Company similarly evaluate the Q. 6 distribution of low-income customer bill impacts for the full 7 transition of the Residential Price Modernization Plan? 8 Yes. Figure 4 shows the distribution for the Α. 9 final year of the transition for the low-income customer 10 segment, compared to other residential customers. The median 11 average monthly bill change in the final year of the 12 transition, compared to the first year, is a \$0.68 decrease 13 and 90 percent of the low-income residential customer segment 14 would have an average monthly bill increase of \$12 or less.

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- 5 As shown in Figure 4, these low-income customers are not
- 6 disproportionately negatively impacted under the Company's
- 7 Residential Price Modernization Plan.

# 8 III. ON-SITE GENERATION RATE DESIGN

- 9 Q. What are the Company's on-site generation
- 10 service schedules?
- 11 A. Idaho Power has three on-site generation service
- 12 schedules; however, only Schedules 6 and 8 are separate
- 13 customer classes with their own rate design and cost
- 14 allocation. The third on-site generation service is under

- 1 Schedule 84, Customer Energy Production Net Metering Service
- 2 ("Schedule 84"), where customers take their retail electric
- 3 service under the applicable standard service schedule (e.g.,
- 4 Schedules 9, 19, or 24). For purposes of rate design
- 5 discussion, on-site generation rate design for these customer
- 6 classes is addressed under the applicable standard service
- 7 schedule.
- 8 Q. What is the revenue requirement to be recovered
- 9 from Schedules 6 and 8?
- 10 A. The annual revenue target to be recovered from
- 11 Schedules 6 and 8 is \$14,723,344 and \$55,219, as shown on page
- 12 3 and 6 of Exhibit No. 53. As noted in the Direct Testimony of
- 13 Ms. Aschenbrenner, the Class Cost-of-Service ("CCOS") study
- 14 allocated costs to Schedules 6 and 8 are higher than revenue
- 15 collection under rates that mirror the Service Charge and
- 16 Energy Charges for the respective standard service under
- 17 Schedules 1 and 7.
- 18 Q. What is the current rate design structure for
- 19 on-site generation service under Schedules 6 and 8?
- 20 A. Schedules 6 and 8 rate design currently mirrors
- 21 the structure and rates for residential and small general
- 22 customers without on-site generation on Schedules 1 and 7,
- 23 respectively. Both rate structures currently have a \$5.00
- 24 Service Charge and an inclining block Energy Charge.

- 1 Q. Please summarize the Company's proposed rate
- 2 design changes for Schedules 6 and 8.
- 3 A. For Schedule 6, the Company is proposing in this
- 4 case to retain the linkage with rates under Schedule 1. In
- 5 addition, customers taking service under Schedule 6 will also
- 6 have the option to elect to take time-of-use rates which would
- 7 retain a linkage with rates under Schedule 5. All Schedule 6
- 8 rates, under the standard or time-of-use option would follow
- 9 the Service Charge transition under the Company's Residential
- 10 Price Modernization Plan.
- 11 For Schedule 8, the Company is proposing in this case
- 12 to retain the linkage with rates under Schedule 7. As
- 13 described in the Direct Testimony of Company Witness Mr. Zack
- 14 Thompson, the Company is proposing an increase in the Schedule
- 7 Service Charge from \$5.00 to \$20.00 per month.
- 16 Q. Why is Idaho Power requesting to maintain the
- 17 relationship with the respective applicable retail service
- 18 schedules?
- 19 A. The Company acknowledges that its proposal for
- 20 these on-site generation schedules does not address that, as
- 21 informed by the CCOS, the cost to serve these customers is
- 22 higher than standard service. However, similar to the
- 23 rationale for suggesting a three-year transition for the
- 24 Residential Price Modernization Plan, the Company is proposing

- 1 that residential rates be modified with gradualism in mind to
- 2 moderate bill impacts on individual customers.
- 3 After the final year of the three-year transition, the
- 4 Company will explore whether circumstances warrant further
- 5 rate design modifications for on-site generation customer
- 6 classes. For example, if all costs related to the distribution
- 7 system and customer service were collected through the Service
- 8 Charge for Schedule 6, the Service Charge would equate to
- 9 approximately \$50 per month. The Company suggests evaluating
- 10 further movement towards the cost to serve in a future case
- 11 after or near the end of the transition period for the
- 12 Company's Residential Price Modernization Plan.
- 13 Q. Have you prepared an exhibit that illustrates
- 14 the rate design proposal for revenue recovery of Schedules 6
- 15 and 8?
- 16 A. Yes. Exhibit No. 53 shows the proposed prices,
- 17 billing determinants, and anticipated revenue for Schedules 6
- 18 and 8. These rates align with the proposed rates for Schedules
- 19 1 and 7, respectively.
- 20 Q. Have you prepared an exhibit that shows the
- 21 billing impact of this rate design proposal on customers
- 22 receiving service under Schedules 6 and 8?
- 23 A. Yes. Exhibit No. 54 shows bill comparisons for
- 24 the proposed transition period for rates under Schedules 1 and
- 25 5, which would be applicable to customers taking service under

- 1 Schedule 6. Pages 1 and 3 of Exhibit No. 54 shows a bill
- 2 comparison for the first year of the transition for customers
- 3 across different usage levels.
- 4 Additionally, Exhibit No. 56 shows a comparison for
- 5 non-legacy Schedule 6 and 8 customers with 12 months of
- 6 billing data in 2022 under the existing and proposed rates.
- 7 The average monthly increase shown for Schedule 6 non-legacy
- 8 customers is an 18 percent increase and for Schedule 8 is a 43
- 9 percent decrease.

# 10 IV. LARGE GENERAL SERVICE - SCHEDULE 9 (PRIMARY/TRANSMISSION)

- 11 Q. What is the revenue requirement for Schedule 9
- 12 customers taking service at the Primary and Transmission
- 13 levels?
- 14 A. The annual revenue requirement for Schedule 9
- 15 Primary and Transmission level customers as shown on page 5 of
- 16 Mr. Goralski's Exhibit No. 48 is \$43,557,610.
- 17 Q. What is the current rate structure for Schedule
- 18 9 Primary and Transmission Service?
- 19 A. All customers taking service under Schedule 9
- 20 Primary or Transmission Service pay seasonal time-of use
- 21 Energy Charges, seasonal Demand Charges, a summer On-Peak
- 22 Demand Charge, a Basic Charge, and a Service Charge. Customers
- 23 may also pay a Facilities Charge for Company-owned facilities
- 24 installed beyond Idaho Power's Point of Delivery.

- 1 Q. Have you prepared an exhibit that illustrates
- 2 the rate design proposal for Primary and Transmission Service
- 3 under Schedule 9?
- 4 A. Yes. The rate design proposal for Schedule 9
- 5 Primary and Transmission Service is located on pages 7 and 8
- 6 of Exhibit No. 53 and targets the revenue shown on page 5 of
- 7 Mr. Goralski's Exhibit No. 48. For all rate components, the
- 8 Company is proposing rates that represent a uniform 30 percent
- 9 movement towards the costs to serve that rate component, and
- 10 the Energy Charges are informed by the marginal price of
- 11 energy for each time-of-use period. The costs to serve each
- 12 rate component are indicated on page 6 of Mr. Goralski's
- 13 Exhibit No. 43.
- Q. What other changes is the Company proposing for
- 15 Schedule 9 Primary and Transmission Service rate design?
- 16 A. In addition to the incremental movement towards
- 17 the costs to serve each of the rate components, the Company is
- 18 proposing to change the definition of the time-of-use periods.
- 19 O. What definition for on/mid/off-peak does the
- 20 Company propose for Schedule 9?
- 21 A. The Company proposes to change the definition of
- 22 the TOU periods for the summer season as follows:
- On-Peak: 7:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. Monday through
- 24 Saturday, except holidays

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• Mid-Peak: 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. and 11:00 p.m.
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- 2 to 12:00 a.m. Monday through Saturday, except
- 3 holidays
- Off-Peak: 12:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Monday through
- 5 Saturday and all hours on Sunday and holidays.
- 6 For the non-summer season, the Company proposes to change the
- 7 definition of the time-of-use periods to the following:
- On-Peak: 6:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. to
- 9 8:00 p.m. Monday through Saturday, except
- 10 holidays
- Mid-Peak: 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., 4:00 p.m. to
- 12 5:00 p.m., and 8:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. Monday
- through Saturday, except holidays
- Off-Peak: 10:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m.
- to 4:00 p.m. Monday through Saturday and all
- hours on Sunday and holidays
- 17 O. Why is the Company proposing to modify the
- 18 definition of time-of-use hours?
- 19 A. Similar to the change in the definition of hours
- 20 for residential time-of-use, the proposal better aligns these
- 21 definitions with hours of highest risk on the Company's
- 22 system. Aligning these hours with highest risk is consistent
- 23 with the evaluation performed in the development of the
- 24 Company's 2023 IRP.

- 1 Q. Have you prepared an exhibit that shows the
- 2 billing impact of this rate design proposal on customers
- 3 receiving Primary Service under Schedule 9?
- 4 A. Yes, page 5 of Exhibit No. 54 shows the billing
- 5 comparisons between the existing rates and proposed rates for
- 6 Schedule 9 Primary Service.

# 7 V. LARGE POWER SERVICE, SCHEDULE 19

- 8 Q. What is the revenue requirement to be recovered
- 9 from Large Power Service customers taking service under
- 10 Schedule 19?
- 11 A. The annual revenue requirement for Schedule 19
- 12 customers as shown on page 5 of Mr. Goralski's Exhibit No. 48
- 13 is \$164,068,656, representing a 6.61 percent increase.
- Q. What is the current rate structure for customers
- 15 taking service on Schedule 19?
- 16 A. Service under Schedule 19, similar to service
- 17 under Schedule 9, is provided at Secondary, Primary, and
- 18 Transmission Service levels. All customers taking service
- 19 under Schedule 19 pay seasonal time-of-use Energy Charges,
- 20 seasonal Demand Charges, a summer On-Peak Demand Charge, a
- 21 Basic Charge, and a Service Charge. Customers taking Primary
- 22 or Transmission Service may also pay a Facilities Charge for
- 23 Company-owned facilities installed beyond Idaho Power's Point
- 24 of Delivery. In addition, Schedule 19 includes a 1,000

- 1 kilowatts per month minimum Billing Demand and Basic Load
- 2 Capacity.
- 3 Q. Have you prepared an exhibit that illustrates
- 4 the proposed rate design to recover the annual revenue
- 5 requirement for Schedule 19?
- 6 A. Yes. The rate design proposal for Schedule 19 is
- 7 shown on pages 9-11 of Exhibit No. 53 and targets the proposed
- 8 class revenue increase. For all rate components, the Company
- 9 is proposing rates that represent a uniform 30 percent
- 10 movement towards the costs to serve that rate component, and
- 11 the Energy Charges are informed by the marginal price of
- 12 energy for each time-of-use period. The costs to serve each
- 13 rate component are indicated on page 7 of Mr. Goralski's
- 14 Exhibit No. 43.
- 15 Q. What definition for on/mid/off-peak does the
- 16 Company propose for Schedule 19?
- 17 A. The Company proposes the same definition for
- 18 on/mid/off-peak as described for Schedule 9.
- 19 Q. Have you prepared an exhibit that shows the
- 20 billing comparisons between the existing rates and the
- 21 proposed rates for Schedule 19 Primary Service customers?
- 22 A. Page 6 of Exhibit No. 54 shows the billing
- 23 comparisons between the existing rates and the proposed rates
- 24 for Schedule 19 Primary Service customers. The higher load

- 1 factor customers will see a lower overall increase as compared
- 2 to low load factor customers.

# 3 VI. <u>UPDATES TO SCHEDULE 68</u>

- 4 Q. What other changes are addressed in your direct
- 5 testimony?
- 6 A. In addition to the rate design proposals
- 7 described herein, I will address the proposed revisions to
- 8 Schedule 68. Attachment to the Application Nos. 1 and 2 show
- 9 the revisions in clean and legislative format, respectively,
- 10 for each of the respective tariff schedules.
- 11 Q. What is Schedule 68?
- 12 A. Schedule 68 is Idaho Power's tariff schedule
- 13 that applies to the construction, operation, and maintenance
- 14 of all interconnections to customer Distributed Energy
- 15 Resources ("DER" or "DERs") interconnected in parallel -
- 16 meaning operating and receiving voltage from Idaho Power's
- 17 system.
- 18 Q. What changes is the Company proposing to
- 19 Schedule 68?
- 20 A. The Company has proposed an update to the return
- 21 trip charge and a modification to the applicability section
- 22 regarding regenerative drives. Additionally, the Company has
- 23 proposed several miscellaneous revisions to improve the
- 24 administration of the interconnection process. Pages 68-1 to

- 1 68-13 in Attachment Nos. 1 and 2 show these administrative
- 2 improvements.
- 3 Q. What is the return trip charge?
- A. A return trip charge is billed to the customer
- 5 each time Company personnel are dispatched to the job site but
- 6 are unable to conduct the on-site inspection due to one or
- 7 more conditions not being met that had been certified as
- 8 complete by the customer or installer on the System
- 9 Verification Form.
- 10 Q. Why is the Company updating the return trip
- 11 charge?
- 12 A. The return trip charge of \$61.00 was last
- 13 updated in 2020 based on meter technician miles driven, number
- 14 of inspections, vehicle rates, and labor rates. The updated
- 15 return trip charge calculation includes the miles and number
- of inspections for the years 2020 through 2022 and updates the
- 17 Company's vehicle and labor rates for 2023.
- 18 Q. What is the change in the return trip charge?
- 19 A. The updated calculations result in a decrease to
- 20 the return trip charge in Schedule 68 from \$61.00 to \$52.00.
- 21 The change in the return trip charge is primarily driven by a
- 22 reduction in the average miles per inspection and efficiency
- 23 gains in time per inspection.
- Q. What is a regenerative drive?

- 1 A. A regenerative drive allows electrical energy
- 2 generated by a motor under braking conditions to be used
- 3 again, or regenerated, rather than being completely lost to
- 4 heat. Applications that involve frequent starts and stops,
- 5 constant deceleration, or overhauling loads are candidates for
- 6 this use case. Examples include elevators, downhill conveyers,
- 7 and flywheels. The period of time during which regeneration
- 8 routes electricity back to the utility is small, based on the
- 9 limited amount of energy available from the driven load.
- 10 Q. Why does the Company believe a revision to
- 11 Schedule 68 is needed for regenerative drives?
- 12 A. Regenerative drives provide a source of electric
- 13 power independent from the bulk power system and is considered
- 14 a Distributed Energy Resource ("DER") connected in parallel
- 15 with the Company's system and pursuant to Schedule 68 is
- 16 subject to the smart inverter requirements therein.
- 17 As described to me, regenerative drives do not
- 18 typically raise the same concerns as other DERs with respect
- 19 to grid stability and reliability that are addressed with
- 20 smart inverters. For example, regenerative drives operate
- 21 infrequently and only for a few seconds at a time. These short
- 22 operations are not long enough to expect a change in reactive
- 23 power output to meet the voltage/reactive power capability
- 24 threshold for smart inverters. In addition, regenerative
- 25 drives cannot function with the loss of utility source if

- 1 the grid loses power the drive will automatically also be de-
- 2 energized and won't be able to begin regenerating or continue
- 3 regenerating, which effectively eliminates the risk of that it
- 4 will contribute to an island condition and obviates the need
- 5 for anti-islanding protection.
- 6 Q. What changes does the Company propose to
- 7 accommodate the installation of regenerative drives?
- 8 A. To account for installations that are within the
- 9 scope of Schedule 68 but do not implicate the same challenges
- 10 that smart inverters are intended to address, the Company
- 11 proposes to amend the Applicability section to address other
- 12 technologies that use similar methods to generate electricity
- in parallel with the Company's system, including but not
- 14 limited to regenerative drives used in elevators and other
- 15 energy recapture systems.
- Specifically, the Company proposes to evaluate the
- 17 following criteria to determine whether a regenerative drive
- 18 or other energy recapture system can be interconnected outside
- 19 of the IEEE 1547 requirements: (1) magnitude of exports; (2)
- 20 duration of the exports; and (3) ability of DER to operate
- 21 during the loss of the utility source.
- Q. Does this conclude your direct testimony in this
- 23 case?
- A. Yes, it does.
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1	DECLARATION OF GRANT T. ANDERSON
2	I, Grant T. Anderson, declare under penalty of
3	perjury under the laws of the state of Idaho:
4	1. My name is Grant T. Anderson. I am employed
5	by Idaho Power Company as a Regulatory Consultant in the
6	Regulatory Affairs Department.
7	2. On behalf of Idaho Power, I present this
8	pre-filed direct testimony and Exhibit Nos. 53 through 56 in
9	this matter.
10	3. To the best of my knowledge, my pre-filed
11	direct testimony and exhibits are true and accurate.
12	I hereby declare that the above statement is true to
13	the best of my knowledge and belief, and that I understand
14	it is made for use as evidence before the Idaho Public
15	Utilities Commission and is subject to penalty for perjury.
16	SIGNED this 1st day of June 2023, at Boise, Idaho.
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