

From: [Scott Reagan](#)
To: [Jan Noriyuki](#)
Subject: IPC-E-23-14 Hearing
Date: Saturday, October 21, 2023 8:02:26 PM

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Hi, my name is Scott Reagan and I'm an Idaho Power customer in McCall/Donnelly. I'm concerned about the very limited public access to the upcoming hearings on Idaho Power's rooftop solar changes. The hearings need to be after general working hours, be long enough to allow everyone to speak, be located in at least two more cities, and include a virtual testimony option for all the people who can't attend in-person.

I live in McCall/Donnelly and both of the locations are over 100 miles from me - thus a virtual option is the least you can do to make this inclusive of areas that are affected. Please help people participate in our democracy, particularly on proposals coming from a monopoly utility.

Thank you,
Scott Reagan

October 23, 2023

Case Number IPC-E-23-14

Dear Idaho Public Utility Commission:

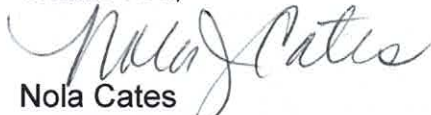
I you not to accept Idaho Power's proposal to change net metering. Their proposal would hurt existing customers and make it difficult for other Idahoans to go solar in the future.

The proposal is not fair:

1. At no time was I ever told or made aware of any possible changes with the Idaho Public Utility Commission when I purchased my solar panels. I feel, those of us that purchased solar power should be grandfathered into our current rates.
2. The proposal cuts solar rates for customers that installed solar in the last three years. These customers made a purchasing decision based on current policy and the rules should not be changed midstream for their systems, when they've already made the investment. The changes would cause a longer return on investment and could cause financial harm.
3. The proposal cuts solar rates, even when the utility benefits from that solar power. Fairly compensating solar customers only during peak hours ignores the benefits solar provides to their system at all other times.
4. This proposal makes it harder for solar customers to earn a return on their investment. This means that fewer people will be able to choose to generate their own energy and go solar in the future. This proposal takes away choice and energy independence from Idahoans.

I deny Idaho Power's proposal and continue to allow Idahoans the freedom to generate their own energy.

Thank You,



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From: dkemper398@gmail.com
To: [Jan Noriyuki](#)
Subject: CASE IPC-E-23-14 Comments
Date: Monday, October 23, 2023 10:08:34 AM
Attachments: [Kemper Peak Hour Calculations June 15-September 30 2022 A.xlsx](#)

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My name is Don Kemper. I am a long time Idaho Power customer at 1821 Edgecliff Terrace in Boise. I am also the founder and retired CEO of Healthwise, also an IPC customer.

Under the proposed changes to Schedule 6, my home's annual power bills would more than triple by 2024 and almost quadruple by 2026.

As a person concerned about climate change, I invested \$30,000 in a 7 kW rooftop solar project to help speed IPC's transition away from coal.

My project application was presented to Idaho Power in October 2020 but did not get certified until January 20, 2021. Conveniently for the company, I missed grandfather status by a month.

I didn't worry. I figured that the company might propose modest adjustments to Schedule 6 but it wouldn't be too bad. I was wrong.

I have used my 2022 hour-by-hour energy flow data from IPC to calculate how my billings would change using the proposed ERC in this case and the fee structure and rates proposed in the pending rate case [CASE E-23-11](#).

In 2024, with no change in my power use, my annual billings would increase from \$173 to \$536. By 2026 they would go up to \$619, almost 4 times my current cost.

I am attaching my analysis so that staff might confirm all I have said.

I have three requests for the Commission.

First, please extend grandfather rights to all Schedule 6 installations made within 1 year of your ruling on this case. No one imagined the changes would triple costs for Schedule 6 customers. It does.

Second, please combine your consideration of the two cases. The proposed ERC changes are dramatic enough. But, when combined with a six-fold increase in service fees and the elimination of incentives for low energy use in E-23-11, it changes the analysis of what is fair.

Third, and perhaps most importantly, please take a harder look at climate change. Help get Idaho off coal-fired power faster. Delays in transmission line permitting has slowed Idaho Power's shift to renewables. Co-generation can quickly fill that gap. Your ruling in this case will make a difference.

Thank you.

From: [Paul Cooperrider](#)
To: [Jan Noriyuki](#)
Subject: Need a better public process for hearings regarding IPC-E-23-14
Date: Monday, October 23, 2023 10:11:02 AM

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Dear PUC Commissioners,

Holding public hearings during the weekday when many people are still working does not represent a genuine intent for public comment, especially when there is no provision for virtual testimony. The PUC is charged with making decisions for the public good, but this set of public hearings does little to truly allow for public comment nor to engender trust in the process for incorporating public input.

The PUC should reconsider the date and time to allow for a true public hearing to accommodate the public's availability.

Respectfully,
Paul Cooperrider

From: [Anika Miller](#)
To: [Jan Noriyuki](#)
Subject: IPC-E-23-14
Date: Monday, October 23, 2023 11:38:58 AM

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Hi, my name is Anika Miller and I'm an Idaho Power customer. I'm concerned about the very limited public access to the upcoming hearings on Idaho Power's rooftop solar changes.

I work in the solar industry and travel frequently for work. I need a virtual option to allow me to voice my concerns directly to the commissioners. Please help people participate in our democracy, particularly on proposals coming from a monopoly utility.

Thank you for including a virtual hearing option!

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From: [Chris Silvester](#)
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Subject: FW: Idaho Power Rooftop Solar Hearing Finally Scheduled...for 3-6pm on Weekday
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Hi, my name is Chris Silvester and I'm an Idaho Power customer. I'm concerned and dismayed about the very limited public access to the upcoming hearings on Idaho Power's rooftop solar changes. The hearings need to be after general working hours, be long enough to allow everyone to speak, be located in at least two more cities, and include a virtual testimony option for all the people who can't attend in-person. Please help people participate in our democracy, particularly on proposals coming from a monopoly utility.

Sincerely,
Chris Silvester