BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION)	CASE NO. IPC-E-24-41
OF IDAHO POWER COMPANY FOR AN)	
ORDER APPROVING THE TRANSFER OF)	ORDER NO. 36461
CERTAIN ASSETS ASSOCIATED WITH)	
TRANSMISSION PLANT HELD FOR)	
FUTURE USE)	
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On November 5, 2024, Idaho Power Company ("Company") filed an application ("Application") with the Idaho Public Utilities Commission ("Commission") requesting approval to convey approximately 1.07 acres of land located in the McCall-Donnelly Transmission Corridor, in Valley County, Idaho, to Daniel J. Booth. The Company represented that under the proposed transaction, the Company would transfer the 1.07-acre parcel to Mr. Booth for a purchase price of \$1,900, but the Company reserved the entire parcel of land as an easement. Application at 1.

STAFF COMMENTS

Commission Staff ("Staff") reviewed the Company's Application, responses to Production Requests, and additional supporting documents. Staff focused on compliance with *Idaho Code* § 61-328, retention of easement rights, and accounting treatment of the proposed transfer. Staff Comments at 2. After its review, Staff believed that the Company's request was reasonable and that the sale was in the interest of both the Company and its customers. *Id.* Staff recommended that the Commission issue an order approving the Application and the proposed land transfer. *Id.* at 4.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

On January 14, 2025, the Commission held a public telephonic customer hearing to take testimony from members of the public and customers of the Company. Order No. 36421. No customers provided testimony during the hearing and the Commission did not receive any written public comments.

COMMISSION FINDINGS AND DECISION

The Commission has jurisdiction over this matter under *Idaho Code* §§ 61-501, 61-502, and 61-503. The Commission is vested with the power to "supervise and regulate every public

utility in the state and to do all things necessary to carry out the spirit and intent of the [Public Utilities Law]." *Idaho Code* § 61-501. The Commission is empowered to investigate rates, charges, rules, regulations, practices, and contracts of public utilities and to determine whether they are just, reasonable, preferential, discriminatory, or in violation of any provision of law, and to fix the same by order. *Idaho Code* §§ 61-502 and 61-503.

Having reviewed the Application and all submitted materials, the Commission finds it fair, just, and reasonable to approve the Application. Specifically, the Commission finds that the property transfer is consistent with the public interest, will not increase the cost of rates for supplying service, and the private party acquiring the property being transferred has the bona fide intent and financial ability to operate and maintain it. *Idaho Code* § 61-328(3).

ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Company's Application is approved.

THIS IS A FINAL ORDER. Any person interested in this Order may petition for reconsideration within twenty-one (21) days of the service date upon this Order regarding any matter decided in this Order. Within seven (7) days after any person has petitioned for reconsideration, any other person may cross-petition for reconsideration. *Idaho Code* §§ 61-626.

DONE by Order of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission at Boise, Idaho, this 13th day of February 2025.

EDWARD LODGE, PRESIDENT

OHN R. HAMMOND JR., COMMISSIONER

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ATTEST:

Monica Barrios-Sanchez Commission Secretary

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