

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION) CASE NO. IPC-E-25-20
OF IDAHO POWER COMPANY FOR)
AUTHORITY TO IMPLEMENT POWER) ORDER NO. 36618
COST ADJUSTMENT (“PCA”) RATES FOR)
ELECTRIC SERVICE FROM JUNE 1, 2025,)
THROUGH MAY 31, 2026)

tracking of differences between the prior PCA Year's forecast and actual NPSE incurred by the Company and also tracks the collection of the prior year's Balancing Adjustment.

Except for Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978 ("PURPA") expenses and demand response incentive payments, the PCA allows the Company to pass through to customers 95 percent of the annual differences in actual NPSE as compared with base level NPSE, whether positive or negative. With respect to PURPA expenses and demand response incentive payments, when actual annual expenses deviate from base level NPSE, the Company is allowed to pass 100 percent of the difference for recovery or credit through the PCA. The PCA is also the rate mechanism used by the Company to provide customer benefits resulting from the revenue sharing mechanism, approved by the Commission in Order No. 34071.

APPLICATION

The Company represented that the proposed 2025-2026 PCA rates would result in total PCA collection of \$21 million, which is a decrease in total billed revenue of \$94.8 million for the upcoming year, or 5.89 percent. Application at 13. The Company submitted Table 1 to show the separation of the \$94.8 million decrease into each component included in the Company's proposed rates:

Table 1 Revenue Impact by Component				
Line No.	Rate Component	2024-2025 PCA	2025-2026 PCA	Difference
1	PCA Forecast	\$ 23,342,867	\$ 73,092,256	\$ 49,749,389
2	PCA Balancing Adjustment	\$ 92,469,480	\$ (52,064,539)	\$ (144,534,019)
3	PCA Total	\$ 115,812,347	\$ 21,027,717	\$ (94,784,630)
4	Revenue Sharing	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
5	Total Revenue Impact	\$ 115,812,347	\$ 21,027,717	\$ (94,784,630)

Id.

The Company represented that the decrease in this year's PCA was driven by a decrease in the Balancing Adjustment, which was largely attributed to the completed recovery of the 2023 PCA balancing adjustment and partially offset by an increase in the forecast component. *Id.* The Company stated that additional factors included the Sales-Based Adjustment, an increase in Renewable Energy Credit sales, a credit related to wheeling revenues, and a credit for liquidated damages. *Id.*

STAFF COMMENTS

Based on a review of the Application, an audit of sampled transactions, examination of the testimony and workpapers of Company witness Jessica G. Brady, and a review of the Company responses to Staff's audit and production requests, Staff recommended that the Commission approve the Company's Application and Schedule 55, as filed, effective June 1, 2025, and approve including Federal Energy Regulatory Commission ("FERC") Account 577.4 in the PCA NPSE. Staff Comments at 3.

Staff examined the Company's sales and expenses for the historical 2024-2025 PCA Year and the Company's forecasting methods, projected revenues, and expenses for the upcoming 2025-2026 PCA Year. *Id.* Staff believed that the Company's filing and methods complied with prior, relevant, Commission Orders. *Id.* Staff also believed that the Company's forecast for the upcoming PCA Year (2025-2026) of electricity sales, loads, fuel consumption, fuel costs, and purchased power costs was reasonable and that the Company's balancing adjustment for the last PCA Year was accurate and actual NPSE is prudent; however, Staff was concerned with the Clean Energy Your Way ("CEYW") credits included in the PCA forecast. *Id.* Staff believed that the actual CEYW excess generation and capacity credits should be reviewed in the next PCA filing to determine if they satisfy the requirements in the CEYW Schedule 62 tariff and the Brisbie Special Contract. *Id.* at 4.

Staff also believed that the Company should apprise the Commission of how the forecast changes during the PCA Year and, if an adjustment to the forecast rate is warranted, the Company should make an off-cycle filing, and that the Commission should accept late filed comments by customers. *Id.*

COMPANY REPLY COMMENTS

The Company supported Staff's recommendations to approve the Application and for the Company to keep the Commission and Staff apprised of changes to the PCA forecast that could warrant an out of-cycle PCA adjustment and to continue discussions regarding the treatment of CEYW amounts included in the PCA NPSE. Company Reply Comments at 4.

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 Company’s Application, and approve the proposed Schedule 55 as filed, effective June 1, 2025. The Commission directs the Company to provide verification that actual CEYW excess generation amounts, capacity credit amounts, and other requirements satisfy the CEYW Schedule 62 tariff and the Brisbie Special Contract in the next PCA filing. The Company is to apprise the Commission if the forecast materially changes during the PCA Year, and the Company shall make an off-cycle filing if an adjustment to the forecast rate is warranted.


ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Application is approved. The new PCA rate shall be effective June 1, 2025. The Company’s proposed Schedule 55 is approved as filed.

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 and 62-619.

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DONE by Order of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission at Boise, Idaho this 30th day of May 2025.



EDWARD LODGE, PRESIDENT



JOHN R. HAMMOND JR., COMMISSIONER



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ATTEST:



Monica Barrios-Sanchez
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