Office of the Secretary
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October 16, 2026

BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF IDAHO POWER COMPANY'S APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL OF MODIFICATIONS TO THE COMPANY'S INTERCONNECTION RULES FOR CUSTOMER DISTRIBUTED ENERGY RESOURCES, SCHEDULE 68	**CASE NO. IPC-E-26-27** **NOTICE OF APPLICATION** **ORDER NO. 37201**

On September 25, 2026, Idaho Power Company ("Company") applied to the Idaho Public Utilities Commission ("Commission") requesting an order approving proposed modifications to its Schedule 68, Interconnections to Customer Distributed Energy Resources ("Schedule 68") for rules and procedures governing customer-owned distributed energy resource interconnections ("Application"). The Company requests an order approving the proposed modifications by December 31, 2026.

The Commission now issues this Notice of Application.[1]

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the Company proposes modifications to Schedule 68 that would establish an optional, streamlined registration process ("ORP") for certain small distributed energy resource ("DER") systems and like-for-like inverter replacements. Application at 2.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the ORP would be available to residential and small general service customers with inverter-based DER systems that have an aggregate nameplate capacity not exceeding 400 watts, do not include energy storage, and meet applicable technical and safety requirements. *Id.* at 5–6. Like-for-like inverter replacements, wherein a customer replaces an inverter with one of the same make, model, and capacity, without making system modifications, would also qualify. *Id.* at 8–9.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that under the ORP, customers would submit registration forms identifying their systems and self-attesting to compliance with Schedule 68. *Id.*

[1] Notices of application typically contain a procedural schedule for each case that was recommended by the Commission Staff. In this case, the Commission Staff did not yet have a procedural recommendation that would have allowed for a combined notice. We therefore issue this Notice of Application as a standalone order and will issue notice of the procedural schedule at a later date.

at 7. Unlike the existing full Schedule 68 application process, ORP registrants would not be subject to a $100 application fee and the Company would not perform an onsite inspection or meter change. *Id.* at 2, 7. ORP registrants would remain on their standard service schedules and would not receive compensation for exported electricity. *Id.* at 8.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Company states that the ORP would allow it to track DER installations and address potential safety and grid-operational concerns. *Id.* at 5. The Company consulted with stakeholders including peer utilities, the Idaho State Fire Marshal, the Idaho State Electrical Code Board, and Commission Staff prior to submitting its proposal. *Id.* at 10.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Company proposes related changes to Schedule 68 addressing "disconnection equipment, system modifications, unauthorized installations and expansions, and inadvertent exports." *Id.* at 8.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Application and attachments are available for public inspection during regular business hours at the Commission's office. The Application and attached Third Amendment are also available on the Commission's website at www.puc.idaho.gov. Click on the "ELECTRIC" icon, select "Open Cases," and click on the case number as shown on the front of this document.

ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that all proceedings in this case shall be held pursuant to the Commission's jurisdiction under Title 61 of the Idaho Code, and that all proceedings in this matter will be conducted pursuant to the Commission's Rules of Procedure, IDAPA 31.01.01.000 *et seq*.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that parties comply with Order No. 35375, issued April 21, 2022. Generally, all pleadings should be filed with the Commission electronically and will be deemed timely filed when received by the Commission Secretary. Rule 14.02. Service between parties should continue to be accomplished electronically when possible. However, voluminous discovery-related documents may be filed and served on CD-ROM or a USB flash drive.

DONE by Order of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission at Boise, Idaho this 16th day of October 2026.

EDWARD LODGE, PRESIDENT

JOHN R. HAMMOND JR., COMMISSIONER

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Commission Secretary
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