BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF IDAHO POWER COMPANY'S ANNUAL COMPLIANCE FILING TO UPDATE THE LOAD AND GAS FORECASTS IN THE INCREMENTAL COST INTEGRATED RESOUCE PLAN AVOIDED COST MODEL	)	**CASE NO. IPC-E-26-30** **NOTICE OF FILING** **NOTICE OF MODIFIED PROCEDURE** **ORDER NO. 37223**

On October 15, 2025, Idaho Power Company ("Company") submitted its annual compliance filing to update the load forecast, natural gas forecast, and long-term contract changes used in the Company's Incremental Cost Integrated Resource Plan ("ICIRP") avoided cost methodology, as well as the process for validating the Peak and Premium Peak Hours used to calculate capacity payments for energy-storage qualifying facilities ("QF"), consistent with Order Nos. 32697, 32802, and 36885 ("Filing").

The Idaho Public Utilities Commission "Commission") now issues this Notice of Filing and Notice of Modified Procedure establishing written comment deadlines.

NOTICE OF FILING

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that Order No. 32697 requires the Company to update its Integrated Resource Plan ("IRP") methodology calculation to ensure accurate avoided costs for new, eligible Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act ("PURPA") QFs. Filing at 2. The Company notes that it is generally required to update inputs to the calculation on a biennial basis (after Commission acknowledgement of its IRP) but that load and natural gas forecasts are to be updated annually. *Id.*

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Company's load forecast uses its most recent 50th-percentile forecast from September 2026. *Id.* at 3. According to the Company, compared with the September 2025 forecast, the updated forecast shows increased customer loads over the 20-year planning period, reflecting revised estimates of retail customer usage and growth and updated assessments of load and energy requirements under electric service agreements and special contracts. *Id.*

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that for the natural gas price forecast, the Company proposes using New York Mercantile Exchange (NYMEX) forward prices for the first three years, the average of NYMEX forward prices and the S&P Platts long-term forecast for the fourth year, and the Platts forecast for the fifth year and beyond. *Id.* at 4. The Company states that this approach is consistent with its extended 36-month hedging horizon under its risk management policy and prior Commission direction, including in Order No. 36885. *Id.*

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Company identifies changes to long-term power purchase and energy sale agreements, including contract additions, terminations, and expirations. *Id.* at 5–6. The Company states that new energy sale agreements, terminated or expired contracts, complete energy sale agreement applications, and Commission-approved non-PURPA power purchase agreements or resource acquisitions are incorporated into the ICIRP model on a continuous basis. *Id.* at 5.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Company also proposes to expressly identify the Peak and Premium Peak Hours used to calculate capacity payments for energy-storage QFs in its future IRPs, with the updated hours taking effect upon filing of each IRP. *Id.* at 7. Alternatively, the Company proposes to continue submitting updated hours through the annual compliance filing for Commission approval. *Id.* at 8.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Filing is available for public inspection during regular business hours at the Commission's office. The Filing is 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.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that all proceedings in this case will 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*.

NOTICE OF MODIFIED PROCEDURE

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Commission has determined that the public interest may not require a formal hearing in this matter, and that it will proceed under Modified Procedure pursuant to the Commission's Rules of Procedure 201–204, IDAPA 31.01.01.201–.204.

The Commission notes that Modified Procedure and written comments have proven to be an effective means for obtaining public input and participation.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that persons desiring to state a position on this Filing may file a written comment explaining why the person supports or opposes the Filing. Persons who would like a hearing must specifically request a hearing in their written comments and explain why written comments alone are insufficient. **Persons interested in filing written comments must do so by December 3, 2026.** Comments must be filed through the Commission's website or by e-mail unless computer access is unavailable. To comment electronically, please access the Commission's website at www.puc.idaho.gov. Click the "Case Comment Form" and complete the form using the case number as it appears on the front of this document.

To file by e-mail, persons must e-mail the comments to the Commission Secretary and all parties at the e-mail addresses listed below. Persons submitting a comment by e-mail must provide their name, address, and the Case Number under which they are commenting. Persons submitting a comment by e-mail also acknowledge that submitting a comment in an open case constitutes a public record under *Idaho Code* § 74-101(13) and that all information provided by such person is available for public and media inspection.

If computer access is unavailable, then comments may be mailed to the Commission and the Parties at the addresses below. Persons submitting a comment by mail must provide their name, address, and the Case Number under which they are commenting. Persons submitting a comment by mail also acknowledge that submitting a comment in an open case constitutes a public record under *Idaho Code* § 74-101(13) and that all information provided by such person is available for public and media inspection.

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YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that **the Company must file any reply comments by December 10, 2026.**

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that if no written comments or protests are received within the time limit set, the Commission will consider this matter on its merits and enter its final order without a formal hearing. If written comments are received within the time limit set, the Commission will consider them and, in its discretion, may set the same for formal hearing.

ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Company's Filing be processed under Modified Procedure. Persons interested in submitting written comments must do so by December 3, 2026. The Company must file any reply comments by December 10, 2026.

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 5th day of November 2026.

EDWARD LODGE, PRESIDENT

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