

BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF COMMISSION) **CASE NO. PAC-E-25-06**
STAFF’S APPLICATION TO UPDATE)
INPUTS TO THE SURROGATE AVOIDED) **NOTICE OF APPLICATION**
RESOURCE (“SAR”) MODEL AND SAR-)
BASED AVOIDED COST RATES.) **NOTICE OF MODIFIED**
) **PROCEDURE**
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) **ORDER NO. 36543**
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On April 9, 2025, Commission Staff (“Staff”) applied to the Idaho Public Utilities Commission (“Commission”) requesting the Commission issue an order updating inputs to the Surrogate Avoided Resource (“SAR”) Model and approving the SAR-based avoided cost rates submitted with the Application.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that Staff represents that it updated the SAR Model and its avoided cost rates based on the proposed natural gas price forecast and PacifiCorp d/b/a Rocky Mountain Power (“Company”)’s overall rate of return (“ROR”) of 7.25 percent, which was approved in Case No. PAC-E-24-04. Application at 2. Specifically, Staff stated that the updates to the natural gas price forecast use the same method approved in Case No. GNR-E-24-01, which calculates the average of AECO Hub prices, Stanfield Hub prices, Sumas Hub prices, and Opal Hub prices from the 2025 natural gas price forecast published by the Northwest Power and Conservation Council. *Id.*

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that Staff represents that it used the capital structure and the component costs from Case No. PAC-E-10-07, except for the return on equity (“ROE”). *Id.* at 3. Staff stated that it used these assumptions to impute a ROE of 8.51 percent to achieve the ROR of 7.25 percent approved in Commission Order No. 36452. *Id.*

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Application and supporting documents are available for public inspection during regular business hours at the Commission’s office. The Application 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 HEREBY 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 Application may file a written comment explaining why the person supports or opposes the Application. 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, including the Company, must do so within twenty-one (21) days of the service date of this Order.** 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 <http://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 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

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YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that Commission Staff must file any reply comments **within twenty-eight (28) days of the service date of this Order.**

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.

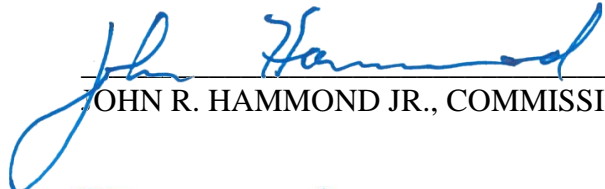
ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that this Application be processed by Modified Procedure. Persons interested in submitting written comments, including the Company, must do so within twenty-one (21) days of the service date of this Order. Commission Staff must file any reply comments within twenty-eight (28) days of the service date of this Order.

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. *See* 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.

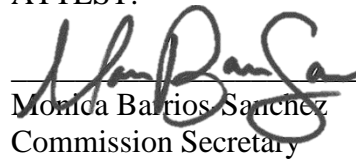
DONE by Order of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission at Boise, Idaho this 15th day of April 2025.


EDWARD LODGE, PRESIDENT


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