

DECISION MEMORANDUM

**TO: COMMISSIONER LODGE
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 COMMISSION SECRETARY
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FROM: TAYLOR THOMAS

DATE: MAY 26, 2026

**SUBJECT: NEGOTIATED RULEMAKING: RULES OF PROCEDURE OF THE
 IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**

In accordance with Idaho Code Section 67-5292, the Commission is reviewing IDAPA 31.01.01 – Rules of Procedure of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission to assess whether the content of the rule chapter is still necessary. As part of negotiated rulemaking process, Commission Staff (“Staff”) will explore updating the Commission’s Rules of Procedure to reflect modern practices, including the transition to online filing systems and other necessary cleanup. The Staff is reviewing these rules to simplify and streamline them while ensuring they remain practical and straightforward to apply. Potential revisions include updating outdated statutory references, aligning hearing procedures with current administrative-hearing processes, modernizing filing and service requirements, updating contact information, and removing obsolete provisions. These updates are intended to maintain clarity and support existing Commission processes without expanding the rules’ scope or altering their underlying structure.

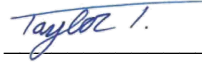
Staff has already submitted the necessary paperwork to DFM to issue a Notice of Negotiated Rulemaking, which will be held on June 11, 2026.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the Commission direct Staff to open a new docket designated as RUL-U-26-01 for purposes of rulemaking.

COMMISSION DECISION

Does the Commission wish to approve Staff's recommendations? Anything else?

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Taylor Thomas
Administrator