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## Commission issues decision on requests for reconsideration in Idaho Power Net Metering case

**BOISE** (Feb. 6, 2020) - The Idaho Public Utilities Commission issued its decision on Wednesday regarding petitions for reconsideration in an Idaho Power Net Metering case.

The commission had received eight petitions for reconsideration and/or clarification on an order it issued on Dec. 20, 2019. That order involved how current and future Idaho Power customers who install solar panel systems would be compensated for surplus energy their systems give back to Idaho Power's electric grid.

In its decision issued Wednesday, the commission largely followed the order it released on Dec. 20, with a few exceptions.

The commission determined it would be more appropriate to grandfather customers by system site, as opposed to by customer. Because the grandfathered status now goes with the system, when a customer sells their house with a grandfathered system, the new homeowner and all future owners of the home will continue to receive 1:1 monthly netting until Dec. 20, 2045. After that, they will be eligible to participate in Idaho Power's net-metering program in place at that time.

The commission also clarified that a customer who has a grandfathered system can put an additional system on their property without losing the grandfathered status of the first system, as long as the energy from those systems is separately measured. The additional system would not have a grandfathered status.

To view the commission's order on the petitions for reconsideration, please visit <a href="https://puc.idaho.gov/PublicDocs/Orders">https://puc.idaho.gov/PublicDocs/Orders</a> and click on Reconsideration Order NO 34546.PDF.