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NEWS RELEASE: Commission issues decision on Idaho Power application to make changes to flex peak program.

BOISE (May 16, 2024) – The Idaho Public Utilities Commission has issued a decision regarding an application from Idaho Power to make changes to its Schedule 82 – Flex Peak Program.

This voluntary demand response program offers industrial and large commercial customers an opportunity to reduce their electrical loads for short periods during the summer. The flex peak program reduces generation and transmission requirements to serve customers on days when the utility’s system’s capacity could be constrained. Industrial and commercial customers that participate are offered incentive payments.

Idaho Power submitted an application to modify certain payment structures, add a waiver provision covering participating customers whose load control device fails, revise the definition of “day of” load adjustment, establish an option to extend the four-hour notification limit for certain customers and add definitions for certain terms along with other minor updates related to the other proposed changes.

In early April, the commission approved the utility’s application with certain modifications. The commission directed Idaho Power to submit a compliance filing for Schedule 82 to include language for the advanced notification option as a pilot program as recommended by commission staff, additional language on the “day of load” adjustment and correcting the inadvertent change to Sheet No. 82-5 that allows participants to change load nominations during a program week.

In mid-April Idaho Power submitted the required filing, and the commission approved it in May.

Additional information on the utility’s application and the commission’s approval is available at puc.idaho.gov/case/Details/7170.