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NEWS RELEASE: Commission issues decision on electric utility's application to update export credit rate for on-site generation customers.

BOISE (Oct. 2, 2025) – The Idaho Public Utilities Commission has issued a decision on an Idaho Power application to change the export credit rate (ECR) given to customers who have on-site generation systems that export excess energy to the utility's grid.

The ECR change applies to non-legacy customers who were not grandfathered under a previous credit structure. Non-legacy customers are those who submitted an application to Idaho Power to install an on-site generation system after Dec. 20, 2020. Idaho Power had sought Commission approval to credit customers 14.0598 cents per kilowatt-hour (kWh) for summer on-peak, 1.7682 cents per kWh for summer off-peak and 0.9540 cents per kWh for all hours during the non-summer season. The utility proposed those credit rates from June 1, 2025, through May 31, 2026.

In its order issued Sept. 30, 2025, the Commission recognized that all customers have faced increases to their average monthly bills over the past 18 months, and the proposed update to the ECR would further affect customers in Schedules 6, 8 and 84. To reduce the impact of the recent changes, the Commission determined that some mitigation for the updated ECR is reasonable.

The Commission decided to limit the change in the avoided energy value to a 40 percent decrease from the current ECR's avoided energy value. The 2025-2026 ECR will be approximately 15.68 cents per kWh for summer on-peak, 3.39 cents per kWh for summer off-peak and 2.90 cents per kWh for all hours during the non-summer season. These values are approximate values until a compliance filing is approved.

The Commission also determined that annual updates to the ECR that are required by a previous Commission order are difficult for non-legacy customers to adjust to and complicate investment decisions for potential future on-site generation customers. The Commission suspended the requirement to update the ECR until 2028.

Idaho Power has been directed to file its next ECR update on April 1, 2028.

Additional information is available at: puc.idaho.gov/case/Details/7526.