

CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY

Under state law, the Idaho Public Utilities Commission’s (“Commission” or “IPUC”) supervises and regulates Idaho’s investor-owned utilities – electric, gas, telecommunications, and water – assuring adequate service and affixing just, reasonable, and sufficient rates. Its jurisdiction and authority is very broad but as the approval to authorize a public utility a service area, rates and charges, accounting and reporting requirements, service quality, and customer relations and information rules. Title 61 of the Idaho Code and the Commission’s Rules of Procedure—including *Idaho Code* § 61-526 and Procedural Rules 112, IDAPA 31.01.01.112.

This is a guideline to help water entities put together a CPCN Application and to request a determination if Company falls under the Commission’s regulatory jurisdiction. Additional information about the Commission’s authority and rules can be found on the IPUC home page; puc.idaho.gov, Laws & Rules, then IPUC Rules.

The Application must include a cover letter addressed to the Commission, and the Company’s information:

Commission Secretary
Idaho Public Utilities Commission
PO Box 83720
Boise, Idaho 83720-0074
secretary@puc.idaho.gov

Name of water company
Primary contact person or owner
Mailing address
City, State Zip
Telephone number
Email address

The body of the letter should include at least the following: request for a determination if the company falls under the Commission’s regulatory jurisdiction; a certificated area to operate as a public utility; a brief description of the water system and the geographical service territory; and an explanation of information included, either as appendices or as attachments.

Once complete email to secretary@puc.idaho.gov, or send by mail.

If the information in the checklist is not provided, it will be requested.