## **BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**

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## INVESTIGATION INTO VALIANT IDAHO, INC. AND TIC UTILITIES, LLC, OWNERS OF A NORTHERN IDAHO WATER SUPPLY AND DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM

CASE NO. GNR-W-24-01 ORDER NO. 36459

On September 6, 2024, the Commission issued Order No. 36312, which directed Valiant Idaho Inc. ("Valiant" or "Company") to submit the following items to the Commission:

- 1. Tariffs
- 2. Notice to Customers regarding regulation
- 3. A full legal description of Valiant's proposed service territory
- 4. A map showing the location of Valiant's utility service

Order No. 36312 also directed Commission Staff ("Staff") to open a separate docket to evaluate whether Valiant's rates are fair, just, and reasonable.

Valiant submitted the required documents on October 1, 2024, and October 4, 2024. Staff recommended the Commission accept the submission on the decision memo dated November 19, 2024.

On December 20, 2024, the Commission issued Order No. 36426 accepting the compliance filings and issuing Valiant a CPCN, which completed Valiant's obligations under Order No. 36312. At the Commission's January 14, 2025, decision meeting, Staff presented a decision memorandum that recommended the Commission open a separate docket (VID-W-25-01) to evaluate the rates of Valiant's tariffs as required by Order No. 36312.

## **COMMISSION FINDINGS AND DECISION**

The Commission has jurisdiction over the Company's Application and the issues in this case under Title 61 of the Idaho Code including *Idaho Code* §§ 61-301 through 303. The Commission is empowered to investigate rates, charges, rules, regulations, practices, and contracts of all public utilities and to determine whether they are just, reasonable, preferential, discriminatory, or in violation of any provisions of law, and to fix the same by order. *Idaho Code* §§ 61-501 through 503.

Having reviewed the record, the Commission finds it reasonable to open a new docket (Case No. VID-W-25-01) to evaluate the rates on Valiant's tariffs as required by Order No. 36312.

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## ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that a separate docket (Case No. VID-W-25-01) be opened to evaluate the rates on Valiant's tariffs as required by Order No. 36312.

THIS IS A FINAL ORDER. Any person interested in this Order may petition for reconsideration within twenty-one (21) days of the service date upon this Order regarding any matter decided in this Order. Within seven (7) days after any person has petitioned for reconsideration, any other person may cross-petition for reconsideration. *Idaho Code* § 61-626.

DONE by Order of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission at Boise, Idaho, this 7<sup>th</sup> day of February 2025.

EDWARD LODGE, PRESIDENT

JOHN R. HAMMOND JR., COMMISSIONER

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