

**BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**

**IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION )  
OF IDAHO POWER COMPANY FOR ) CASE NO. IPC-E-12-03  
AUTHORITY TO MODIFY ITS RULE H )  
TARIFF RELATED TO THE GENERAL ) NOTICE OF APPLICATION  
OVERHEAD RATE. )  
)  
) NOTICE OF  
) MODIFIED PROCEDURE  
)  
) ORDER NO. 32439**

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On December 29, 2011, Idaho Power Company filed its annual compliance filing to update charges and credits under Rule H, New Service Attachments and Distribution Line Installations or Alterations. The Company filed this as Tariff Advice No. 11-05 and requested approval by March 1, 2012, so the updates could be effective March 15, 2012.<sup>1</sup> After reviewing the filing, Staff recommended that the Commission process the tariff advice through the use of Modified Procedure because it appeared that some of the changes go beyond the usual “updates” of charges and credits contemplated by Commission Order Nos. 30853 and 30955.

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION**

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the Company proposes cost updates to the charges and credits outlined in Rule H, New Service Attachments and Distribution Line Installations or Alterations. This is the annual compliance filing to update Rule H charges and credits as required by Commission Order Nos. 30853 and 30955.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that, in addition, the Company is proposing to remove metering costs from the calculation of single-phase and three-phase allowances. The Company claims that metering costs are not charged on Rule H work orders and, therefore, such costs are not appropriate when calculating Company-funded allowances.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Company is also proposing to add a new charge to the Other Charges section of Rule H. The Company claims that the new, flat charge (Overhead Service Attachment Charge for Non-Residence) would reduce overhead costs by

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<sup>1</sup> The Company is requesting a 14-day implementation period to update computer systems and prepare new communication materials.

eliminating the need for individual work orders each time a request is made for overhead service attachments for non-residences.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Company is proposing minor “housekeeping” edits to the tariff as contemplated by Commission Order Nos. 30853 and 30955.

**NOTICE OF MODIFIED PROCEDURE**

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that, while the public interest may not require a formal hearing in this matter, the Commission has determined that the public interest is best served by proceeding under Modified Procedure pursuant to Rules 201 through 204 of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission’s Rules of Procedure, IDAPA 31.01.01.201-204. The Commission notes that Modified Procedure and written comments have proven to be an effective means for obtaining public input and participation.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that any person desiring to state a position on this Application may file a written comment in support or in opposition with the Commission **no later than twenty-one (21) days from the date of this Order**. The comment must contain a statement of reasons supporting the comment. Persons desiring a hearing must specifically request a hearing in their written comments. Written comments concerning this Application may be mailed to the Commission and Idaho Power at the addresses reflected below:

Commission Secretary  
Idaho Public Utilities Commission  
PO Box 83720  
Boise, ID 83720-0074

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Idaho Power Company  
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These comments should contain the case caption and case number shown on the first page of this document. Persons desiring to submit comments via e-mail may do so by accessing the Commission’s home page located at [www.puc.idaho.gov](http://www.puc.idaho.gov). Click the “Comments and Questions” icon, and complete the comment form, using the case number as it appears on the front of this

document. These comments must also be sent to Idaho Power at the e-mail addresses listed above.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that if no written comments or protests are received within the deadline, the Commission may consider the matter on its merits and may enter its Order without a formal hearing. If comments or protests are filed within the deadline, the Commission will consider them and in its discretion may set the matter for hearing or may decide the matter and issue its Order based on the written positions before it. IDAPA 31.01.01.204.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Application and supporting workpapers have been filed with the Commission and are available for public inspection during regular business hours at the Commission offices or on the Commission's web site at [www.puc.idaho.gov](http://www.puc.idaho.gov) by clicking on "File Room" and then "Electric Cases."

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that all proceedings in this case will be held pursuant to the Commission's jurisdiction under Title 61 of the Idaho Code and that the Commission may enter any final order consistent with its authority under Title 61.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that all proceedings in this matter will be conducted pursuant to the Commission's Rules of Procedure, IDAPA 31.01.01.000, *et seq.*

### **ORDER**

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Idaho Power's Tariff Advice No. 11-05 regarding updated charges and credits under Rule H be processed by Modified Procedure. Persons interested in submitting written comments in this matter must do so no later than twenty-one (21) days from the date of this Order.


DONE by Order of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission at Boise, Idaho this 18<sup>th</sup>  
day of January 2012.

  
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PAUL KJELLANDER, PRESIDENT

  
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MACK A. REDFORD, COMMISSIONER

  
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MARSHA H. SMITH, COMMISSIONER

ATTEST:

  
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Jean D. Jewell  
Commission Secretary

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