

## DECISION MEMORANDUM

**TO:** COMMISSIONER KJELLANDER  
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COMMISSIONER SMITH  
COMMISSION SECRETARY  
COMMISSION STAFF

**FROM:** KRISTINE SASSER  
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**DATE:** JANUARY 10, 2012

**SUBJECT:** IDAHO POWER'S ANNUAL COMPLIANCE FILING TO UPDATE  
CHARGES AND CREDITS UNDER RULE H, CASE NO. IPC-E-12-03

On December 29, 2011, Idaho Power Company filed their 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>

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. 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. 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 eliminating the need for individual work orders each time a request is made for overhead service attachments for non-residences. Finally, the Company is proposing minor "housekeeping" edits to the tariff.

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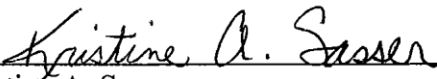
<sup>1</sup> The Company is requesting a 14-day implementation period to update computer systems and prepare new communication materials.

### **STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

Staff believes that some of the recommended changes go beyond the usual “updates” of charges and credits contemplated by Commission Order Nos. 30853 and 30955. Therefore, Staff recommends that Tariff Advice No. 11-05 be processed by Modified Procedure with a 21-day comment period.

### **COMMISSION DECISION**

Does the Commission find that this proceeding should be processed under Modified Procedure with a 21-day comment period?

  
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