



Idaho Public Utilities Commission

P.O. Box 83720, Boise, ID 83720-0074

Brad Little, Governor

Eric Anderson, President

John R. Hammond, Jr., Commissioner

Edward Lodge, Commissioner

Case No. IPC-E-23-09
Order No. 35799
Case No. IPC-E-23-12
Order No. 35804
Contact: Adam Rush
Office: (208) 334-0339
E-mail: adam.rush@puc.idaho.gov

NEWS RELEASE: Commission approves Idaho Power applications that will change rates

BOISE (June 2, 2023) – The Idaho Public Utilities Commission has approved two Idaho Power applications that will change customer rates.

The utility received approval for its power cost adjustment (PCA) rates and fixed cost adjustment (FCA) rates.

The PCA allows Idaho Power to increase or decrease the PCA rates to reflect the utility's annual costs of supplying power. Because of a diverse generation portfolio, Idaho Power's actual costs of providing electricity varies annually depending on factors such as river streamflow, the amount of purchased power, fuel costs, and the market price of power, among other factors. The annual PCA is combined with Idaho Power's base rates to create a customer's overall energy rate. The PCA can only be used to pay power supply expenses. Neither Idaho Power or its shareholders receive a financial return from the PCA.

To assist customers, this year's PCA will be spread equally over two years to mitigate impacts on customers. For the average residential customer using 950 kilowatt-hours per month, the expected increase is approximately \$6.68 per month.

The FCA annually adjusts rates up or down to recover the difference between the fixed costs authorized by the commission and the actual fixed costs Idaho Power recovers from customers for the sale of electricity during the previous year. Fixed costs are a utility's costs to provide service that do not vary with fluctuations in energy consumption. Variable costs change based on the energy generated and consumed. The FCA applies to residential and small commercial customers.

A typical residential customer using 950 kilowatt-hours per month will see an approximate \$1.66 decrease in their monthly bill from June 1, 2023, through May 31, 2024. This represents a 1.56 percent decrease. This decrease also will apply to small general service customers for the same timeframe.

Accounting for the PCA and FCA, residential customers will see an increase of 4.69 percent, small general service customers will see an increase of 3.48 percent, large general service customers will see an increase of 8.50 percent, large power customers will see an increase of 10.63 percent and irrigation customers will see an increase of 7.88 percent. A typical residential customer will see an overall monthly increase of \$5.02 between the two filings.

Additional information is available at puc.idaho.gov/case/Details/7002 and puc.idaho.gov/case/Details/7028.