

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON  
STAFF REPORT  
PUBLIC MEETING DATE: February 23, 2016

REGULAR \_\_\_\_\_ CONSENT X EFFECTIVE DATE March 15, 2016

DATE: January 25, 2016

TO: Public Utility Commission

FROM: Judy Johnson *JJ*

THROUGH: Jason Eisdorfer *E* and Marc Hellman *MH*

SUBJECT: IDAHO POWER COMPANY: (Docket No. ADV 203/Advice No. 16-01)  
Requests an update to charges and credits under Rule H, New Service Attachments and Distribution Line Installations or Alterations.

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends that the Commission approve Idaho Power Company's (Idaho Power or Company) Advice No. 16-01 requesting an update to charges and credits under Rule H, New Service Attachments and Distribution Line Installations or Alterations, effective on and after March 15, 2016.

**ISSUE:**

The purpose of this filing is to update certain charges and credits associated with new service attachments and distribution line installations or alterations to keep the charges and credits current with variations in actual costs.

**APPLICABLE RULES AND LAWS:**

Under ORS 757.205, et seq., public utilities must file proposed changes to rates, schedules, rules, or regulations with the Commission. OAR 860-022-0025 specifies that such filings shall plainly indicate the proposed change, the number of customers affected by the proposed change and the resulting change in revenue, including a detailed statement setting forth the reasons or grounds relied upon in support of the proposed charge.

**ANALYSIS:**

Idaho Power proposes to update its Rule H to keep all charges and credits associated with new service attachments and distribution line installations or alterations current with variations in actual costs.

A 6.75 percent decrease in the general overhead rate used to calculate the charges and credits coupled with moderate decreases in material costs primarily resulted in changes to the charges varying from a 12 percent decrease to no change. The proposed updates to Company-funded allowance amounts only changed slightly.

Staff's Recommendation

Staff reviewed Idaho Power's filing and workpapers. Staff is satisfied that the Company has made the appropriate changes to Rule H and that its filing satisfies the Commission's requirements.

**PROPOSED COMMISSION MOTION:**

The Commission approve Idaho Power's Advice No. 16-01 to be effective on and after March 15, 2016.