

June 14, 2012

Attention: Filing Center
Public Utility Commission of Oregon
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Re:

In the Matter of IDAHO POWER COMPANY Request for General Rate Revision

PUC Docket No.: UE 233

DOJ File No.: 860115-GB0563-11

Enclosed for filing are an original and one copy of Staff Motion to Due Date for Testimony in the above-captioned docket for filing with the PUC today.

Stephanie S. Andrus

Sincerely,

Senior Assistant Attorney General

**Business Activities Section** 

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1		CUTILITY COMMISSION OREGON
2		E 233
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4	In the Matter of	MOTION TO EXTEND DUE DATE FOR
5	IDAHO POWER COMPANY	MOTION TO EXTEND DUE DATE FOR TESTIMONY
6	Request for a General Rate Increase.	(Expedited Consideration Requested.)
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8	Pursuant to OAR 860-001-0090(1)(h) a	nd OAR 860-001-0420, Staff of the Public Utility
9	Commission of Oregon ("Staff") asks the admi	nistrative law judge to allow a two-day extension
10	(from June 18, 2012 to June 20, 2012) for Staff	f and intervenors to file testimony in the above-
11	captioned docket. Staff also asks that the adm	ninistrative law judge grant a one-day extension of
12	time (from July 17, 2012 to July 18, 2012) for 1	Idaho Power's next round of testimony.
13	Staff has contacted the Citizens' Utility	Board, Idaho Power Company, the Oregon
14	Industrial Customers of Idaho Power, and Rene	ewable Northwest Project regarding this request
15	and these parties do not oppose the motion. Co	ounsel for Staff attempted to contact Northwest
16	Energy Coalition but was not successful. 1 The	e Oregon Irrigators Pumpers Association is no
17	longer active in this docket and Staff did not at	tempt to contact them regarding this motion.
18	Staff asks for the extension of time beca	ause it needs additional time to complete and
19	finalize its testimony. At issue in this docket i	s whether Idaho Power prudently invested in
20	upgrades to Unit 3 of the Bridger coal plant tha	at it owns with PacifiCorp. The same issue is
21	presented in PacifiCorp's general rate case. Du	ue to the complexity and the overlapping nature of
22	these issues, the development and writing of ter	stimony requires a significant amount of Staff
23	resources. Staff currently has a very large case	eload, which includes general rate cases by
24	PacifiCorp and Northwest Natural Gas Compan	ny. Accordingly, Staff needs additional time in
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26	<sup>1</sup> Staff did not contact PacifiCorp about whethe in UE 233. Staff did contact counsel for Pacific 246, and PacifiCorp does not object to that mot	

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1	which to complete the testimony in this case, as well as the testimony regarding investment in
2	coal plant upgrades presented in PacifiCorp's general rate case. <sup>2</sup>
3	Staff requests expedited consideration of this motion under OAR 860-001-420(7). Staff
4	also requests that the administrative law judge shorten the time for response.
5	DATED this 14th day of June 2012.
6	Respectfully submitted,
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26	<sup>2</sup> Staff is also filing a motion to extend by two days the due date for its testimony regarding coal plant upgrades in PacifiCorp's general rate. (Docket No. UE 246).

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## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2012, I served the foregoing Staff Motion to Extend Due Date for Testimony upon the persons named on the service list below who have waived such service by mail, by serving a full, true and correct copy thereof at their e-mail address, as follows:

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