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Public Utility Commission of Oregon Filing Center 201 High Street SE, Suite 100 P.O. Box 1088 Salem, Oregon 97301

RE: UP 327 - In the Matter the Application of Idaho Power Company for an Order

Authorizing Approval of the Purchase from PacifiCorp of a Longwall Mining System

Motion for Protective Order

## Attention Filing Center:

Attached for filing is an electronic copy of Idaho Power Company's Motion for Protective Order in the above-referenced matter.

Please contact this office with any questions.

Very truly yours,

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**Enclosures** 

1	BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON
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4	In the Matter of the Application of Idaho Power Company for an Order Authorizing MOTION FOR PROTECTIVE ORDER
5	Approval of the Purchase from PacifiCorp of a Longwall Mining System.
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7	Pursuant to ORCP 36(C)(7) and OAR 860-001-0080, Idaho Power Company ("Idaho
8	Power" or "Company") moves for the entry of the Public Utility Commission of Oregon's
9	("Commission") general protective order in this proceeding. Good cause exists to issue a
10	Protective Order to protect commercially sensitive and confidential business information that is
11	considered to be of a trade secret, privileged or confidential nature.
12	In support of this Motion, the Company states:
13	1. The Commission's rules authorize reasonable restrictions on discovery of trade
14	secrets and other confidential business information. See 860-001-0080; ORCP 36(C)(7)
15	(providing protection against unrestricted discovery of "trade secrets or other confidentia
16	research, development, or commercial information"). See also In re Investigation into the Cost
17	of Providing Telecommunication Service, Docket UM 351, Order No. 91-500 (1991)
18	(recognizing that protective orders are a reasonable means to protect "the rights of a party to
19	trade secrets and other confidential commercial information" and "to facilitate the
20	communication of information between litigants").
21	2. On June 19, 2015, Idaho Power filed an Application of Idaho Power Company for
22	an Order Authorizing Approval of the Purchase from PacifiCorp of a Longwall Mining System
23	Idaho Power anticipates that discovery in this proceeding will include requests for
24	commercially sensitive and confidential business information. Idaho Power and/or PacifiCorp
25	will be exposed to competitive, operational, and/or regulatory injury if it is forced to make

unrestricted disclosure of its confidential business information. "The Commission's standard

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1	blanket protective order is designed to facilitate discovery in cases involving discovery of large
2	numbers of documents." See In re Portland Extended Area Service Region, Docket UM 261,
3	Order No. 91-958 (1991). Issuance of a protective order will facilitate the production of
4	relevant information and expedite the discovery process.
5	For the foregoing reasons, Idaho Power requests entry of a standard Protective Order
6	in this docket.
7	DATED: June 29, 2015
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