# PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON INTEROFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

**DATE:** December 20, 2021

**TO:** Caroline Moore

**FROM:** Madison Bolton

**SUBJECT:** Idaho Power: 2022 Tariff has been updated under the OPUC Order No. 21-414

without formal advice filing

#### **Background:**

Docket No. UM 779 typically requires utilities to submit a compliance filing with updated tariff sheets to reflect rate revisions for late payment charges and interest on customer deposits each year. The rates set forth by the Commission are intended as upper and lower bounds, respectively. As such, it is within the utilities' authority to charge a late payment rate less than the Commission determined rate as well as provide an interest rate on customer deposits greater than contained in the Order.

Some utilities have also implemented rule language to accommodate annual changes by the Commission that avoids the need for an update to the utility's rules or tariffs regarding interest paid on customer deposits.

For 2022 rates, Idaho Power fell under both such exemptions to a formal advice filing. Specifically:

- The rate charged by Idaho Power for late payments is 1.0%; which is less than the Commission determined rate of 2.0% and thus does not require a revision to comply with Order 21-414 for service effective January 1, 2022.
- Idaho Power's PUC ORE. No. E-27 Rule L states, in part, "Interest on deposits held by the Company shall be accrued at the rate established by the Commission specified in OAR 860-021-0210." The language in Rule L is such that it references the annual rate established by the Commission and the relevant statute to Docket UM 779 thereby obliging the Company to the most current rate without a direct reference to a specific order.

In Staff correspondences with Idaho Power, Regulatory Analyst Riley Maloney provided the following statements to the same effect.

- 1. "The Commission sets the Company's interest rate on customer deposits under OAR 860-021-0210, and;
- 2. Our monthly late payment rate (1% pursuant to Schedule 66 of the Company's Tariff) is lower than what was set in the Commission's Order No. 21-414."

## **Staff's recommendations:**

Staff concludes, after identifying and reviewing Idaho Power's 2022 interest rate and late payment charge, that OPUC's Order 21-414 has been reasonably followed by Idaho Power. The 2022 Tariff has been updated without formal advice filing.

Cc: Diane Davis

#### Late Payment of 1%

#### IDAHO POWER COMPANY

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#### ORIGINAL SHEET NO. 66-1

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## SCHEDULE 66 MISCELLANEOUS CHARGES

#### **PURPOSE**

The purpose of this schedule is to accumulate all miscellaneous charges that are included in the Company's Rules, Regulations, and Rates.

## **APPLICABILITY**

This schedule applies to all Customers taking service under the Company's Oregon Tariff except as expressly limited by a Rule or a Schedule.

#### CHARGES

#### RULE D

#### Instrument Transformer Metering

#### Current Transformer

Single Phase 120/240 Volt 240/480 Volt 120/208 Volt Network	\$214.00 \$247.00 \$275.00
Polyphase 120/240 Volt Delta 240/480 Volt Delta	\$437.00 \$438.00
120/208 Volt Wye 277/480 Volt Wye	\$467.00 \$471.00
Voltage Transformer (secondary voltages only) Additional cost per voltage transformer	\$160.00

## Off-Site Meter Reading Service

Work Order costs are applicable

Primary Metering

Single-Phase, Non-Demand Metering Class 200 R300 Register (standard metering) Class 320 R300 Register (standard metering) Class 10 R 300 Register (instrument transformer metering)	\$ \$ 9) \$	3.65 per month 4.40 per month 4.40 per month
Installation Fee (payable with first monthly payment) Removal Fee (if removed within 90 days of installation)		25.00 25.00

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#### ORIGINAL SHEET NO. 66-2

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## CHARGES (Continued)

#### RULE D (Continued)

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Pulse Output Service With an existing Electronic Demand Meter Without an existing Electronic Demand Meter	\$ 5.00 per month 13.00 per month
Installation Fee (payable with first monthly payment) Removal Fee (if removed within 90 days of installation)	 70.00 60.00
Load Profile Recording Service  With an existing Electronic Demand Meter  Without an existing Electronic Demand Meter	17.50 per month 25.50 per month
Installation Fee (payable with first monthly payment) Removal Fee (if removed within 90 days of installation)	\$ 80.00 60.00

4.	Special Meter Test	
	Non-Residential	Actual Labor & Mileage Rates
	Residential	Not to Exceed \$30.00

5.	Surge Protection Device Services	
	Surge Protection Device Installation or Removal Charge Surge Protection Device Customer Visit Charge	\$ 43.00 \$ 25.00

#### RULE F (all times are stated in Mountain Time)

1.	Field Visit Charge	\$	20.00
2.	Service Connection Charge Schedules 1, 7, 9 Monday through Friday		
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	7:30 am to 6:00 pm	ą.	20.00
	6:01 pm to 9:00 pm	\$	45.00
	9:01 pm to 7:29 am	\$	80.00
	Company Holidays and Weekends		
	7:30 am to 9:00 pm	\$	45.00
	9:01 pm to 7:29 am	\$	80.00

#### FOURTH REVISED SHEET NO. 66-3 CANCELS THIRD REVISED SHEET NO. 66-3

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#### SCHEDULE 66 MISCELLANEOUS CHARGES (Continued)

#### RULE F (Continued)

#### Service Connection Charge (Continued)

Schedules 15, 19, 24, 40, 41, 42 Monday through Friday 7:30 am to 6:00 pm \$ 40.00 6:01 pm to 9:00 pm \$ 65.00 9:01 pm to 7:29 am \$100.00

> Company Holidays and Weekends 7:30 am to 9:00 pm \$ 65.00 9:01 pm to 7:29 am \$100.00

3. Remote Service Connection Charge All schedules, all days, all times

\$ 20.00

\$ 3.00

\$ 3.00

\$ 1.50

The following is a list of company-recognized holidays and the dates they are observed: New Year's Day (January 1), Martin Luther King Jr. Day (third Monday in January), President's Day (third Monday in February), Memorial Day (last Monday in May), Independence Day (July 4), Labor Day (first Monday in September), Thanksgiving Day (fourth Thursday in November), and Christmas Day (December 25). When a holiday falls on Saturday the previous Friday will be observed, when a holiday falls on a Sunday, the following Monday will be observed.

Unauthorized Reconnection Charge \$ 50.00 (T)

#### RULE G

\$ 20.00 Returned Check Charge 1. Late Payment Charge (beginning August 31, 2013) 2. 12 percent per annum, Or one percent per month. 3. Fractional Period Minimum Billings \$ 3.00 Schedules 1 and 7 Schedules 9 and 19 Secondary \$ 5.00 Schedules 9 and 19 Primary & Transmission \$ 10.00

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Schedule 24

Schedule 15

Schedule 40

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