

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION  
OF OREGON**

UE 425

In the Matter of

IDAHO POWER COMPANY,

2024 Annual Power Cost Update.

MEMORANDUM

On October 31, 2023, Idaho Power Company, filed its 2024 Annual Power Cost Update (APCU). On November 1, 2023, I asked the parties to attempt to develop a proposed procedural schedule in this matter and to determine whether a prehearing conference is necessary. On November 17, 2023, Idaho Power submitted a proposed procedural schedule on behalf of Commission Staff and the Oregon Citizens’ Utility Board (CUB). Idaho Power’s filing states that Commission Staff, CUB, and Idaho Power agree that there are no outstanding issues to be addressed at a prehearing conference.


After reviewing the proposed procedural schedule, the procedural schedule is adopted as set forth below:

<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>
December 5, 2023	Workshop
January 4, 2024	Settlement Conference
January 31, 2024, 3:00 p.m.	Staff and Intervenor Opening Testimony Due
February 14, 2024	Settlement Conference
February 28, 2024, 3:00 p.m.	All Parties’ Reply and Cross-Answering Testimony Due
March 25, 2024, 3:00 p.m.	Idaho Power’s March Forecast Due
April 2, 2024	Settlement Conference
April 11, 2024, 3:00 p.m.	Staff and Intervenor Testimony on March Forecast
April 17, 2024	Settlement Conference
April 25, 2024, 3:00 p.m.	All Party Reply Testimony Due
May 1, 2024	Settlement Conference
May 6, 2024, 3:00 p.m.	Settlement Stipulation Due

No prehearing conference will be held in this docket. If needed, parties may request a conference during this proceeding. Settlement conferences and the workshop are included in the above procedural schedule but may be rescheduled, without seeking leave from the Commission.

**All filings in this proceeding are due by 3:00 p.m. on the due date via electronic submission to the Filing Center. Filings submitted after 3:00 p.m. will be considered filed on the next business day.**

Dated this 21st day of November, 2023, at Salem, Oregon.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "John Mellgren", written over a horizontal line.

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John Mellgren  
Administrative Law Judge

Attachment: Notice of Contested Case Rights and Procedures

## NOTICE OF CONTESTED CASE RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES

Oregon law requires state agencies to provide parties written notice of contested case rights and procedures. Under ORS 183.413, you are entitled to be informed of the following:

**Hearing:** The time and place of any hearing held in these proceedings will be noticed separately. The Commission will hold the hearing under its general authority set forth in ORS 756.040 and use procedures set forth in ORS 756.518 through 756.610 and OAR Chapter 860, Division 001. Copies of these statutes and rules may be accessed via the Commission's website at <https://www.oregon.gov/puc/Pages/default.aspx>. The Commission will hear issues as identified by the parties.

**Right to Attorney:** As a party to these proceedings, you may be represented by counsel. Should you desire counsel but cannot afford one, legal aid may be able to assist you; parties are ordinarily represented by counsel. The Commission Staff, if participating as a party in the case, will be represented by the Department of Justice. Generally, once a hearing has begun, you will not be allowed to postpone the hearing to obtain counsel.

**Notice to Active Duty Servicemembers:** Active Duty Servicemembers have a right to stay these proceedings under the federal Servicemembers Civil Relief Act. For more information contact the Oregon State Bar at 800-452-8260, the Oregon Military Department at 503-584-3571 or the nearest United States Armed Forces Legal Assistance Office through <http://legalassistance.law.af.mil>. The Oregon Military Department does not have a toll free telephone number.

**Administrative Law Judge:** The Commission has delegated the authority to preside over hearings to Administrative Law Judges (ALJs). The scope of an ALJ's authority is defined in OAR 860-001-0090. The ALJs make evidentiary and other procedural rulings, analyze the contested issues, and present legal and policy recommendations to the Commission.

**Hearing Rights:** You have the right to respond to all issues identified and present evidence and witnesses on those issues. *See* OAR 860-001-0450 through OAR 860-001-0490. You may obtain discovery from other parties through depositions, subpoenas, and data requests. *See* ORS 756.538 and 756.543; OAR 860-001-0500 through 860-001-0540.

**Evidence:** Evidence is generally admissible if it is of a type relied upon by reasonable persons in the conduct of their serious affairs. *See* OAR 860-001-0450. Objections to the admissibility of evidence must be made at the time the evidence is offered. Objections are generally made on grounds that the evidence is unreliable, irrelevant, repetitious, or because its probative value is outweighed by the danger of unfair prejudice, confusion of the issues, or undue delay. The order of presenting evidence is determined by the ALJ. The burden of presenting evidence to support an allegation rests with the person raising the allegation. Generally, once a hearing is completed, the ALJ will not allow the introduction of additional evidence without good cause.

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**Record:** The hearing will be recorded, either by a court reporter or by audio digital recording, to preserve the testimony and other evidence presented. Parties may contact the court reporter about ordering a transcript or request, if available, a copy of the audio recording from the Commission for a fee set forth in OAR 860-001-0060. The hearing record will be made part of the evidentiary record that serves as the basis for the Commission's decision and, if necessary, the record on any judicial appeal.

**Final Order and Appeal:** After the hearing, the ALJ will prepare a draft order resolving all issues and present it to the Commission. The draft order is not open to party comment. The Commission will make the final decision in the case and may adopt, modify, or reject the ALJ's recommendation. If you disagree with the Commission's decision, you may request reconsideration of the final order within 60 days from the date of service of the order. *See* ORS 756.561 and OAR 860-001-0720. You may also file a petition for review with the Court of Appeals within 60 days from the date of service of the order. *See* ORS 756.610.