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**Subject:** Public Utility Commission Staff's proposal for March 5<sup>th</sup> Commissioner Workshop 503-373-7394  
Docket No. UE 426 – Idaho Power Company's 2024 General Rate Revision



### Purpose

The goal of this workshop is to improve procedural equity in Idaho Power Company's 2024 General Rate Case (Docket No. UE 426) by giving representatives of environmental justice (EJ) communities an opportunity to highlight for the Commission and participants in the rate case the high-priority issues impacting EJ communities.

Staff notes that the workshop is not a venue to advocate for party positions, which will occur through the development of the record in the docket. With this workshop, Staff seeks to test a new approach that is intended to center the perspectives of new and historically underrepresented voices and create space for rate case participants to reflect on their plans for preserving procedural equity in this process.

### Background

On January 3, 2024, letters of concern over procedural equity were posted to the record of this docket. Staff submitted a proposal to advance procedural equity in the proceeding, including a Commissioner Workshop, held early in the process, that centers high-priority issues for environmental justice communities. The procedural schedule includes such a workshop on **March 5, 2024, at 1:30 p.m. PST**, for which Staff was asked to propose an agenda.

### Proposed Agenda

1. Welcome and introduction from the Commission.
2. Staff overview of Idaho Power's General Rate Case filing.
3. Comments from representatives of environmental justice communities.
  - a. Representatives from environmental justice communities, both intervenors and non-intervenors, are invited to present the high-priority issues identified in the rate case to date. These issues may be procedural and/or substantive and could include:
    - i. Income qualified bill discount program
    - ii. Seasonal and time-based rates
    - iii. Changes to the basic charge
    - iv. Allocations between Oregon and Idaho customers
    - v. The relationship between energy efficiency offerings and other rate case issues
    - vi. Overall affordability
    - vii. Other issues
  - b. The Commission will have the opportunity to ask questions and other parties, including Staff and Idaho Power, will have a chance to engage in a dialogue about how these issues will be addressed in a manner that preserves procedural equity.
4. Final Commissioner comments, if desired.
5. Wrap up and next steps.

**If you have questions about the workshop agenda proposal, please contact Michelle Scala, [michelle.m.scala@puc.oregon.gov](mailto:michelle.m.scala@puc.oregon.gov) or 503-689-2608.**

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