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Public Utility Commission of Oregon  
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Re: Docket No. UM \_\_\_\_\_  
In the Matter of Idaho Power Company's Application for Deferred Accounting  
of Certain Costs Associated with the North Valmy Power Plant

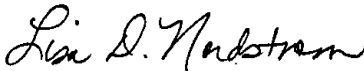
Attention Filing Center:

Attached for filing is an electronic copy of Idaho Power Company's Application for Deferred Accounting of Certain Costs Associated with the North Valmy Power Plant.

As required by OAR 860-027-0300, the Application has been served on the parties to the UE 233 service list, and the parties to the UE 316 service list, as indicated in the Certificate of Service.

Please contact me at (208) 388-5825 or Senior Regulatory Analyst Courtney Waites at (208) 388-5612 with any questions regarding this filing.

Very truly yours,



Lisa D. Nordstrom

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Enclosures

cc: Lisa Rackner

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**APPLICATION**

**I. INTRODUCTION**

Pursuant to ORS 757.210, ORS 757.259, and OAR 860-027-0300, Idaho Power Company ("Idaho Power" or "Company") hereby requests an accounting order authorizing Idaho Power to defer decommissioning revenues collected and decommissioning costs incurred pursuant to Order No. 17-235. The stipulation approved by Order No. 17-235 includes the collection of the North Valmy Power Plant ("Valmy") amounts and is an "automatic adjustment clause" ("AAC") as defined in ORS 757.210. Idaho Power seeks authorization for this deferral effective as of July 1, 2017. In support of this Application, Idaho Power states:

1. Idaho Power is a public utility in the state of Oregon and its rates, services, and accounting practices are subject to the regulation of the Public Utility Commission of Oregon ("Commission").
2. This Application is filed pursuant to ORS 757.259, which allows the Commission, upon application, to authorize the deferral of certain items for later inclusion in rates.



1 this deferral will allow Idaho Power to appropriately match the costs borne by and benefits  
2 received by customers.

3 **C. Proposed Accounting**

4 Idaho Power records revenues and expenses that would be subject to the deferral  
5 order in accordance with the Code of Federal Regulations to the Federal Energy Regulatory  
6 Commission ("FERC") Accounts 440-444 (Operating Revenues), FERC Account 557 (Other  
7 Expenses), and FERC Accounts 500-598 (Operations and Maintenance Accounts). Upon  
8 receiving approval of a deferral, Idaho Power proposes to record the deferred amounts to  
9 FERC Account 254 (Regulatory Liabilities) until decommissioning activities are concluded.  
10 After decommissioning activities are concluded, amounts in the deferral account, either  
11 positive or negative, will be recovered or refunded in customer rates through a surcharge or  
12 credit, as appropriate.

13 **D. Estimate of Amounts**

14 Order No. 17-235 approved an Oregon jurisdictional revenue requirement increase of  
15 \$1,056,800 associated with the recovery of the annual incremental return on and accelerated  
16 depreciation of existing Valmy investments, and decommissioning costs related to the Valmy  
17 shutdown. Idaho Power estimates the deferral account will contain the Oregon jurisdictional  
18 share of decommissioning costs, approximately \$1,870,000, at December 31, 2025.  
19 Because deferred amounts associated with decommissioning costs are dependent on factors  
20 that cannot be precisely forecasted, Idaho Power cannot provide a precise estimate of the  
21 total deferred amount.

22 **E. Notice**

23 A copy of the Notice of Application for Deferred Accounting of Certain Costs  
24 Associated with the North Valmy Power Plant and a list of persons served with the Notice  
25 are attached to the Application as Attachment A.

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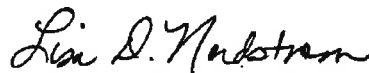
**III. CONCLUSION**

Deferred accounting treatment is an appropriate, just, and reasonable means of implementing Order No. 17-235.

For the reasons stated above, Idaho Power requests permission to defer decommissioning revenues collected and decommissioning costs incurred beginning July 1, 2017, pursuant to Order No. 17-235.

DATED: June 30, 2017

IDAHO POWER COMPANY



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**Attachment A**

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

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**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR  
DEFERRED ACCOUNTING OF  
CERTAIN COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH  
THE NORTH VALMY POWER PLANT**

On June 30, 2017, Idaho Power Company ("Idaho Power") filed an application with the Public Utility Commission of Oregon ("Commission") for an order authorizing the deferral of decommissioning revenues collected and decommissioning costs incurred pursuant to Order No. 17-235.

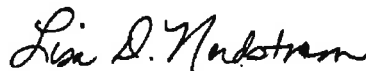
Approval of Idaho Power's Application will not authorize a change in Idaho Power's rates, but will permit the Commission to consider allowing such deferred amounts in rates in a subsequent proceeding.

Idaho Power's Application will be posted on the Commission website for persons who wish to obtain a copy or they may contact the following:

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Any person who wishes to submit written comments to the Commission on Idaho Power's Application must do so by no later than July 28, 2017.

DATED: June 30, 2017.



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