BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

OF OREGON

PCN 5

In the Matter of

IDAHO POWER COMPANY,

MEMORANDUM

PETITION FOR CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY

On September 1, 2022, Idaho Power Company filed a Notice of Intent to File a Petition for Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (Notice of Intent). Idaho Power Company (Idaho Power) anticipates filing its Petition on September 30, 2022. The Oregon Public Utility Commission will conduct a prehearing conference on October 11, 2022 at 1:00 p.m. via Zoom video conference.

The purpose of the prehearing conference will be to identify parties, discuss a procedural schedule, and discuss any other procedural issues. At the prehearing conference, I will hear comments and concerns from the parties on procedural matters related to the anticipated Petition for Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity. Given the significant public interest in this matter and schedule coordination that must occur, I do not anticipate setting a procedural schedule at the prehearing conference. Instead, I will consider the parties' concerns and comments, and subsequently issue a scheduling memorandum.

While Idaho Power included a proposed schedule in its Notice of Intent, I encourage all interested parties to collaborate on a jointly proposed schedule identifying key milestones and timelines in advance of the prehearing conference. If the parties are unable to reach an agreement, I request that they submit individual proposed procedural schedules via email to <u>ellie.knoll@puc.oregon.gov</u> by Friday, October 7, 2022. At the prehearing conference, I expect Idaho Power to be prepared to discuss its request for a Commission decision by May 5, 2023.

Though not required, the Commission encourages any person seeking to participate as a party in these proceedings to file a petition to intervene before the prehearing conference. *See* OAR 860-001-0300. Petitions to intervene received before the prehearing conference may be ruled upon during the conference.

Dated this 20th day of September, 2022, at Salem, Oregon.

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John Mellgren Administrative Law Judge