

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF OREGON**

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In the Matter of)	
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IDAHO POWER COMPANY)	PREHEARING
)	CONFERENCE
Application for general rate increase in the)	REPORT
company's Oregon annual revenues of)	
\$4,418,908, or 17.52 percent overall.)	

On November 18, 2004, a prehearing conference and public comment hearing/open house meeting was held in Ontario, Oregon. From 6:30 to 7:30 p.m., approximately 20 customers attended the public comment hearing to gather information, submit written comments, and talk with representatives of Staff and Idaho Power Company (the Company). The prehearing conference began at 7:45 p.m. The Company and Staff appeared in person; Citizens' Utility Board of Oregon (CUB) appeared by telephone.

At the prehearing conference, CUB's notice of intervention was acknowledged. The order granting the protective order, Order No. 04-665, was distributed. The parties agreed to the following procedural schedule, which I adopted during the conference:

Settlement Conference on Cost of Capital	December 16, 2004
Petitions to Intervene Due	January 15, 2005
Staff and Intervenors publish Settlement Proposals	February 2, 2005
Settlement Conferences	February 14 & 15, 2005
Staff & Intervenor Testimony Due	March 15, 2005
Company's Rebuttal Testimony Due	April 8, 2005
Staff & Intervenors Surrebuttal Testimony Due	April 29, 2005
Company's Sursurrebuttal Testimony Due	May 13, 2005
Evidentiary Hearing	May 23 & 24, 2005
Opening Briefs	June 13, 2005
Reply Briefs	June 27, 2005
Oral Arguments	July 6, 2005
Commission Decision Due	July 20, 2005.

The dates for filing are considered "in-hand" dates.

Finally, I refer the parties to the Administrative Hearings Procedures for contested case proceedings, located at www.puc.state.or.us under the heading "Commission Overview."

Dated this 22nd day of November, 2004, at Salem, Oregon.

Christina M. Smith
Administrative Law Judge