

ORDER NO. 25-486

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**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF OREGON**

UM 2005

In the Matter of

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF
OREGON,

Investigation Into Distribution System
Planning.

ORDER

DISPOSITION: STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION ADOPTED

At its public meeting on December 9, 2025, the Public Utility Commission of Oregon adopted Staff's recommendation in this matter. The Staff Report with the recommendation is attached as Appendix A.

BY THE COMMISSION:



Alison Lackey

Chief Administrative Law Judge



A party may request rehearing or reconsideration of this order under ORS 756.561. A request for rehearing or reconsideration must be filed with the Commission within 60 days of the date of service of this order. The request must comply with the requirements in OAR 860-001-0720. A copy of the request must also be served on each party to the proceedings as provided in OAR 860-001-0180(2). A party may appeal this order by filing a petition for review with the Circuit Court for Marion County in compliance with ORS 183.484.

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**PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON
STAFF REPORT
PUBLIC MEETING DATE: December 9, 2025**

REGULAR _____ **CONSENT** X **EFFECTIVE DATE** _____ **N/A** _____

DATE: December 2, 2025

TO: Public Utility Commission

FROM: Nick Sayen

THROUGH: Sarah Hall **SIGNED**

SUBJECT: OREGON PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION STAFF:
(Docket No. UM 2005)
Revise the filing date for Idaho Power Company's next Distribution System Plan.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Revise the filing date for Idaho Power Company's next Distribution System Plan to on or before July 31, 2026.

DISCUSSION:

Issue

Whether the Oregon Public Utility Commission (Commission) should revise the filing date for Idaho Power Company's (Idaho Power or the Company) next Distribution System Plan (DSP or Plan) from on or before March 6, 2026, to on or before July 31, 2026.

Applicable Rule or Law

ORS 756.040 describes the general powers of the Commission to supervise and regulate every public utility, and to do all things necessary and convenient in the exercise of that authority.

Under ORS 756.105(1), "Every public utility or telecommunications utility shall furnish to the Public Utility Commission all information required by the commission to carry into effect the provisions of ORS chapters 756, 757, 758 and 759."

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In Order No. 19-104, the Commission opened Docket No. UM 2005 to "develop a transparent, robust, holistic regulatory planning process for electric utility distribution system operations and investments."

Order No. 20-485 established procedural and substantive DSP planning requirements, as well as the process for Commission review of the Plans.

Order No. 24-421 revised DSP planning requirements and established dates for utilities to file their next DSPs.

Analysis

Background

Idaho Power was initially scheduled to file its DSP on March 21, 2025.¹ Since the establishment of this date, Staff led a process to revise DSP Guidelines in 2024² and invited utilities to propose a new filing date, to be no later than March 31, 2026. Idaho Power proposed March 6, 2026, for its next DSP. Pacific Power selected March 31, 2026, for its next DSP filing through the same process.

Staff believes all parties would benefit from increased spacing between utility filings to allow for more thoughtful review of the Company's Plan. Staff engaged Idaho Power in September to inquire about an alternative filing date. Through that discussion, Staff and the Company identified July 31, 2026, as an acceptable alternative. This would increase the space between filings from approximately three weeks to four months.

Conclusion

Staff believes that revising the filing date for Idaho Power's next DSP to July 31, 2026, will allow more thoughtful review of the Company's Plan by Staff and stakeholders.

PROPOSED COMMISSION MOTION:

Revise the filing date for Idaho Power Company's next Distribution System Plan to on or before July 31, 2026.

¹ Idaho Power filed Part Two of its inaugural plan on August 15, 2022, which the Commission accepted on March 21, 2023. The Guidelines at that time called for utilities to file their next Plans within two years of the Commission Order for Part 2. Idaho Power's next DSP would be due March 21, 2025.

² Order No. 24-421, in Docket No. UM 2005,
<https://apps.puc.state.or.us/edockets/orders.asp?OrderNumber=24-421>.