BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF IDAHO POWER'S)PETITION FOR APPROVAL OR DENIAL OF)AN ENERGY SALES AGREEMENT WITH)LITTLE WOOD IRRIGATION DISTRICT)FOR THE SALE AND PURCHASE OF)ELECTRIC ENERGY FROM THE LITTLE)WOOD RIVER RESERVOIR HYDRO)PROJECT)

CASE NO. IPC-E-19-35 NOTICE OF APPLICATION NOTICE OF MODIFIED PROCEDURE ORDER NO. 34511

On November 8, 2019, Idaho Power Company ("Idaho Power" or "Company") filed an Application requesting consideration of an Energy Sales Agreement ("ESA" or "Agreement") with Little Wood Irrigation District ("Little Wood") for energy generated by the Little Wood River Reservoir Hydro project ("Facility"). The Facility is a 2.85 megawatt ("MW") nameplate capacity hydro facility near Carey, Idaho. The Facility is a qualifying facility ("QF") under the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978. The Facility has a scheduled First Energy Date under the ESA of March 1, 2020. The Company requests its Application be processed by Modified Procedure and the Commission make its determination before February 29, 2020.

The Commission now issues this Notice of Application and Notice of Modified Procedure setting comment and reply deadlines.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that under the proposed ESA, Little Wood would sell and Idaho Power would purchase electric energy generated by the Facility. The Facility is a 2.85 MW nameplate capacity hydro facility near Carey, Idaho.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Company states the Agreement contains published non-seasonal, non-levelized hydro avoided cost rates for a 20-year term.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the ESA would replace an existing power sales agreement dated August 17, 1984, which expires February 29, 2020.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Company requests the Commission declare all payments for purchases under the ESA be allowed as prudently incurred expenses for ratemaking purposes.

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YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that all proceedings in this case will be held pursuant to the Commission's jurisdiction under Title 61 of the Idaho Code and specifically *Idaho Code* §§ 61-501, -502, and -503.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that all proceedings in this matter will be conducted pursuant to the Commission's Rules of Procedure, IDAPA 31.01.01.000 *et seq.*

NOTICE OF MODIFIED PROCEDURE

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Commission has determined that the public interest may not require a formal hearing in this matter, and that it will proceed under Modified Procedure pursuant to Rules 201 through 204 of the Commission's Rules of Procedure, IDAPA 31.01.01.201 through .204. The Commission notes that Modified Procedure and written comments have proven to be an effective means for obtaining public input and participation.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that any person desiring to state a position on this Application **must file a written comment in support or opposition with the Commission within 21 days of the service date on this Order.** The comment must contain a statement of reasons supporting the comment. Persons desiring a hearing must specifically request a hearing in their written comments. Written comments concerning this Application shall be mailed to the Commission and the Company at the addresses reflected below:

For the Idaho Public Utilities Commission Commission Secretary Idaho Public Utilities Commission P.O. Box 83720 Boise, ID 83720-0074

Street Address for Express Mail: 11331 W. Chinden Blvd. Building 8, Suite 201-A Boise, ID 83714

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These comments should contain the case caption and case number shown on the first page of this document. Persons desiring to submit comments via e-mail may do so by accessing the Commission's home page located at <u>www.puc.idaho.gov</u>. Click the "Consumers" tab then click the "Case Comment or Question Form" and complete the comment form using the case number as it appears on the front of this document.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Company must file any reply comments within 28 days of the service date on this Order.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that if no written comments or protests are received within the time limit set, the Commission will consider this matter on its merits and enter its Order without a formal hearing. If written comments are received within the time limit set, the Commission will consider them and, in its discretion, may set the same for formal hearing.

ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Application of the Company be processed by Modified Procedure, Rule 201-204 (IDAPA 31.01.01.201-.204). Persons interested in submitting written comments must do so within 21 days of the service date on this Order. The Company must file any reply comments within 28 days of the service date on this Order.

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION NOTICE OF MODIFIED PROCEDURE ORDER NO. 34511 DONE by Order of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission at Boise, Idaho this $\partial 3 \vec{r} d$ day of December 2019.

PAUL KJELLANDER, PRESIDENT

KRISTINE RAPER, COMMISSIONER

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