

DECISION MEMORANDUM

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SUBJECT: SUSPENDING INTERMOUNTAIN GAS COMPANY'S PROPOSED CHANGES, AS SUBMITTED IN THE COMMISSION'S INVESTIGATION INTO THE IMPACT OF FEDERAL TAX CODE REVISIONS ON UTILITY COSTS AND RATEMAKING – CASE NO. GNR-U-18-01.

On March 23, 2018, Intermountain Gas Company applied to decrease rates, effective April 1, 2018, to reflect the impact of the federal tax code revisions. Because the Company filed its Application less than 30 days before the new rates were to take effect, Idaho Code § 61-307 precludes the Company from making the proposed changes until 30 days after the Application was filed; i.e., until April 23, 2018. See *Idaho Code* § 61-307 and Rule 123 of the Commission's Rules of Procedure, IDAPA 31.01.01.123. This case will likely extend beyond April 23, 2018. Staff thus recommends the Commission suspend the Company's April 1, 2018 proposed effective date for 30 days and five months (i.e., until October 1, 2018), or until the Commission otherwise accepts, rejects, or modifies the proposed changes. See *Idaho Code* §§ 61-622 and -623. The Company concurs with Staff's suspension recommendation.

COMMISSION DECISION

Does the Commission wish to suspend the Company's April 1, 2018 proposed effective date for 30 days plus five months (i.e., until October 1, 2018), or until the Commission otherwise accepts, rejects, or modifies the proposed changes?



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