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Re: Docket No. PCN-5 – In the Matter of Idaho Power Company’s Petition for Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity.

Dear ALJ Mellgren:

In response to the Prehearing Conference Memorandum issued by Administrative Law Judge (“ALJ”) John Mellgren on October 17, 2022, Idaho Power Company (“Idaho Power” or “Company”) submits this request for clarification of the procedural schedule. At the Prehearing Conference on October 11, 2022, Idaho Power and Staff jointly proposed a schedule that included expediting data request responses after Reply Testimony is filed on February 13, 2023, such that the turnaround time of 14 calendar days¹ for responses to data requests would be shortened to a turnaround of five business days (best efforts). In the Prehearing Conference Memorandum, it appears that the schedule indicates that discovery responses should be submitted by February 17, 2023, and does not reflect the proposal to expedite discovery after Reply Testimony. To avoid confusion, Idaho Power seeks to clarify whether the ALJ intended to impose a discovery deadline on February 17, 2023, or to provide that discovery is available immediately with responses due on a 14-calendar-day turnaround and following the filing of Reply Testimony on February 13, 2023, the turnaround for discovery responses will be shortened to five business days (best efforts).

For the foregoing reasons, Idaho Power requests that the ALJ clarify the discovery deadline in the procedural schedule.

¹ While not stated explicitly in the proposed schedule, Idaho Power and Staff understood that discovery is currently available and that responses are due within 14 days in accordance with OAR 860-001-0540(1).

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Jocelyn Pease".

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