

May 15, 2012

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Re: UE 233 --

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Enclosed for filing in UE 233 are an original and five copies of:
Petition to Intervene of the NW Energy Coalition

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "W Gerlitz".

Wendy Gerlitz
Senior Policy Associate

Enclosures
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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON

UE 233

In the Matter of)
IDAHO POWER COMPANY)
Request for a General Rate Revision) **Petition to Intervene**
) of the
) **NW Energy Coalition**

The NW Energy Coalition (NWECC) hereby petitions to intervene in the above-referenced proceedings. In support of this Petition to Intervene, the following is provided:

1. NWECC's business address is:
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NWECC will be represented by Sr. Policy Associate Wendy Gerlitz who is designated for service of all documents at the following address:

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2a. The Petitioner will not be represented by Council in this proceeding.

3. If the Petitioner is an organization, the number of members in and the purposes of the organization.

NWECC is a private, non-profit alliance of more than 100 consumer groups, low-income action agencies and advocacy organizations, good-government groups, environmental organizations and progressive utilities. For the past 27 years, NWECC has promoted equity in ratemaking and advocated for cost-effective conservation, accounting for environmental costs in resource choices, and engagement of the public in energy decision-making.

4. On July 29, 2011, Idaho Power Company ("Idaho Power") filed for an Oregon rate increase. On February 23, 2012, the Oregon Public Utility Commission (the "Commission") issued an order indicating that a second phase of the proceeding would be required to address certain coal plant pollution control investments regarding the Company's Jim Bridger Plant. On March 6, 2012, the Commission issued a prehearing conference order opening Phase II of this docket. On April 19, 2012, PacifiCorp intervened in Phase II, arguing that it is directly affected by the Commission's decision regarding the prudence of the Bridger investments. On May 1, 2012, the Commission granted PacifiCorp's intervention over the objections of other parties in the case.

5. The Coalition has a substantial interest in PacifiCorp's participation in this docket, as the issues PacifiCorp has intervened to address in the Idaho Power proceeding will also be addressed in PacifiCorp's 2012 general rate case, Docket No. UE 246, in which the Coalition has intervened with full party status. Thus, the Coalition's interests in Phase II

are essentially similar to those of PacifiCorp. The Coalition requests that the Commission grant the Coalition's participation in this proceeding, limited to briefing the legal issues.

6. The Coalition has extensive experience with regulatory proceedings involving integrated resource planning, renewable portfolio standard implementation, procurement of renewable and demand side management resources, and other issues.

7. Based on the information provided above in accordance with the Commission's rules of procedure, I request to participate in this proceeding as an intervenor. I, or the organization I represent, will not unreasonably broaden the issues, burden the record, or unreasonably delay the proceeding. OR 860-001-0300.

Dated this fifteenth day of May, 2012

Respectfully submitted,



Wendy Gerlitz
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this day caused **the Petition to Intervene of NW Energy Coalition** to be served by electronic mail to those parties whose email addresses appear on the attached service list, and by First Class Mail, postage prepaid and properly addressed, to those parties on the service list who have not waived paper service from OPUC Docket No. UE 233.

DATED this 15th day of May, 2012.

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Summary Report

UE 233 IDAHO POWER COMPANY

Category: Electric Rate Case

Filed By: IDAHO POWER COMPANY

This filing requests a general rate revision.

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See also: 12-05

Final Order: **Signed:** 7/29/2011

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