

ISSUED: March 31, 2009

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION**

**OF OREGON**

LC 41

In the Matter of

IDAHO POWER COMPANY

Application for Acknowledgement of February  
2009 Addendum to its 2006 Integrated Resource  
Plan.

RULING

**DISPOSITION: PARTY STATUS CONFIRMED WITHOUT  
CONDITIONS**

At the prehearing conference held in this docket on March 16, 2009, Stop Idaho Power (SIP) was granted party status. The participation of SIP as a party to the proceeding was not opposed; however, in its Comments on the SIP Petition to Intervene, Idaho Power asked the Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) to rule on the scope of the issues to be included in the proceeding as requested by SIP. The ALJ ruled that SIP could file a response to the Idaho Power Comments no later than March 23, 2009.

In its Response to Idaho Power Company's Answer to Petition to Intervene (Response), SIP stated that it had "no intention of broadening the issues beyond the statutory and regulatory limitations,"<sup>1</sup> and that it intended to address the following issues:

1. The need for the transmission line and the validity of Idaho Power Company's demand projections.
2. Availability of alternative transmission resources from other utilities.
3. The effect on the project of a change in the location or failure to construct the Boardman terminus.

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<sup>1</sup> Response, at 1.

4. Whether the Commission should consider the transmission line project in conjunction with more recent data to be submitted by Idaho Power in its 2009 Integrated Resource Plan.<sup>2</sup>

### RULING

I find that Stop Idaho Power's proposed issues are within the scope of this proceeding and that its participation will not unduly burden the record or delay the proceedings. Accordingly, Stop Idaho Power's party status is confirmed without conditions.

Dated at Salem, Oregon, this 31st day of March, 2009.



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Allan J. Arlow  
Administrative Law Judge

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<sup>2</sup> *Id.*, at 2-3.