

The following comment was submitted via PUCWeb:

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Twin Falls , ID 83301

Name of Utility Company: Idaho power

Case ID: 69

Comment: "Another rate increase?

You do realize what kind people you provide service to, right?

The kind who can live without power.

The kind who hunt and fish, and won't tolerate being taken advantage of.

The following comment was submitted via PUCWeb:

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Kuna, ID 83634

Name of Utility Company: Idaho Power

Case ID: IPC-E-25-16

Comment: "I question the validity of the proposed rate hikes for residential and small business. It feels like the general population will foot the bill for companies such as Micron and Meta. "

The following comments were submitted via PUCWeb:

Name: Rick Bayles

Submission Time: Jun 7 2025 8:05AM

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Coeur D Alene, ID 83814

Name of Utility Company: Avista

Case ID: IPC-E-25-1

Comment: "About this increase 17.02 % is a hefty amount of increase for those of us that are retired and on a fixed income, we realize costs are not going to be the same forever but let's be realistic when you slap that big of a percentage increase on especially the fixed income families do you ever take in consideration where we are going to come up with the extra money for that or do we have to buy less food or cut ourselves short in another area to be able to find the money to pay the increase.

We love our homes and worked hard to be able to have them why don't you bother to think of a way to help us instead of having the attitude of screw them let them pay or get out!!!!

They are not our problem.

Rick Bayles

Name: Gary Hamilton

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Name of Utility Company: Idaho Power

Case ID: IPC-E-25-1

Comment: "The Treasure Valley is growing in population and industry at a rapid pace. Idaho Power wants to increase rates, supposedly because of this growth. Let's be sure the newcomers and large corporations pay for the growth they bring, and not put the load on existing residential Idahoans."

The following comment was submitted via PUCWeb:

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Name of Utility Company: Idaho power

Case ID: IPC-E-25-16

Comment: "The rate increase will be crippling to Idahoans and to our state. Idaho seems to be following California, which is sinking and why so many left. We are one of them along with many other family members. Wages in Idaho have not increased with costs. Fixed incomes don't increase with costs. The cost of living here has sky rocketed, and it's literally forcing stay at home Moms to seek employment, causing those on fixed incomes to choose between a meal or meds, food banks are in bigger demand for donations because families cannot afford groceries. This is reality, it's us, the customers, who are living here in this reality. Real people now struggling, who weren't 6 years ago. And Idaho Power wants to burden us with an unnecessary large rate increase? Their greed is literally harming people."

The following comment was submitted via PUCWeb:

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Name of Utility Company: Idaho Power Co

Case ID: IPC-W-2516

Comment: "We are a retired couple in our mid to late 70s and on a fixed income. Last year we elected to go to level pay and auto payment for our electric bills. We found it easier to budget a given amount for each month, rather than being subject to huge bills during the months that our usage is up, namely during the summer months due to air conditioning. I

contacted Idaho Power to check on any changes to our level pay amount. Although our level pay increased about \$14, I was told that a \$5 in the monthly service charge had been assessed, increasing from \$10 to \$15. I asked what that charge is for and was told that it helps to recoup costs that the company incurs regardless of the usage, such as billings, meter readings and repairs. So for any customer who uses little to no electricity, the utility still assesses that service charge. At this juncture, I had to ask myself whether this was a charge included in the company filings to the Commission for increases. I contacted the Commission office and spoke with Curtis regarding my question. He explained the situation and the request by Idaho Power to increase this service charge in 2023 to \$25, but the Commission required Idaho Power to phase it in over a two-year period.

Taking data from their one of their web sites, I have serious questions as to why Idaho Power needs this charge, let alone a whopping \$15 or \$25 assessment. Idaho Power claims to have about 620,000 customers, not all in Idaho and, probably, commercial customers in this number. Assuming all 620k customers are assessed the \$5 increase and pay this fee monthly, Idaho Power would collect \$3,100,000. Extending that to a yearly amount, it would be over \$37,000,000. What is Idaho Power doing to the power grid that needs that kind of investment by customers each year? Raising the service fee to the \$25 they asked for in 2023, Idaho Power would be collecting \$15,500,000 monthly, \$186,000,000 annually.

I don't know what kind of justification they have to offer for this huge amount, unless it is to satisfy earnings and stockholder expectations. I think they should reset the service charge to the last amount of \$10. That would still allow them to recoup most of their costs with \$6,200,000 monthly, \$74,400,000 annually that they say cannot be absorbed in the proposed usage rate increases.

Customers in more impoverished circumstances, may have to decide whether to pay the power bill or provide food and housing for the family. I'm confident that many Idaho Power customers participate in Project Share to help these folks with their bills. However, this is not the answer for Idaho Power customers. From our perspective, there is no justification for these charges and proposed increases."

The following comment was submitted via PUCWeb:

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Name of Utility Company: Avista

Case ID: IPC-E-25-16

Comment: "I disagree with raising power rates. It disproportionately affects residential users while industrial and big corporations get off with less. This is not equal treatment so it is unconstitutional we should be affected the same % or it is the government picking winners and losers. Also, why are we moving to renewables when coal works great and doesn't shut down in extreme weather? People died in TX over multiple years due to renewables failing them. We should aim for no more than 50% renewables unless you want a winter grid collapse that kills mass amounts of our population. Learn from recent history! Blood will be on your hands! Also, wildfire mitigation blackouts is a lie. You will kill people if you turn off some people's power. So now you are going to warn them ahead of time they are going to die!? They just get extra warning the power will be cut, you can't expect me to believe you care enough to go to everyone who requires electricity to save lives and make sure they are moved or have a generator? I moved away from California to get away from communism. This is not democracy to take a utility away the people pay for and you decide when they are allowed to have it. Next we will have social scores tied to our smart meters and if you don't like our opinions we won't get electricity until we repent and bow to big brother. I won't go silently to the gulags. Infrastructure changes we have to pay for should also only be done when it 100% benefits ID customers, otherwise we are upping our rates for other state use. Tell them "No! ID consumers need the power" if you have to. It seems a ton of unnecessary changes are happening that cost money when you could just maintain what we have at a far greater benefit to the vast majority of ppl in ID. Don't pass rates higher than seniors cola's. I have seen too many lose their home because inflation and government has forced them out. Whoever is for this and made these decisions should be ashamed. God knows your greed and real agenda, may he turn you from this path or his judgement fall upon you swiftly before these wrenched changes can be implemented."

The following comment was submitted via PUCWeb:

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Shoshone , ID 83352

Name of Utility Company: Idaho Power

Case ID: IPC-E-25-1

Comment: "As an elderly, senior citizen, I believe utility rates need to be kept in check at the same inflation rate as my Social Security yearly increase (2.5% in 2025). My winter bills, since I have an all electric house, are often 25% or more of my social security. Why the tier steps of increase for using electric in my electric home, I will never understand. It is not like I can shut the heat off to trim my bill.

Therefore I oppose the increase in that exorbitant rate hike. I refuse to accept public assistance with my heat bills. I prefer to stand on my own two feet. So keep my rates affordable please. Please deny anything over the 2.5% increase."

The following comment was submitted via PUCWeb:

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Name of Utility Company: IDAHO POWER

Case ID: E-25-16

Comment: "As an elderly, senior citizen, I believe utility rates need to be kept in check at the same inflation rate as my Social Security yearly increase (2.5% in 2025). My winter bills, since I have an all electric house, are often 25% or more of my social security. Why the tier steps of increase for using electric in my electric home, I will never understand. It is not like I can shut the heat off to trim my bill.

Therefore I oppose the increase in that exorbitant rate hike. I refuse to accept public assistance with my heat bills. I prefer to stand on my own two feet. So keep my rates affordable please. Please deny anything over the 2.5% "

The following comment was submitted via PUCWeb:

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Name of Utility Company: Idaho Power

Case ID: IPC-E-25-1

Comment: "Case IPC-E-25-16

Idaho families deserve transparency, fairness, and a utility that works for them, not just for corporate growth. — Idaho Sen. Christy Zito

Idaho Power is about to slap customers with a huge rate increase. This MUST NOT happen!

Idaho Power's proposed 2026 rate hike (Case No. IPC-E-25-16), seeks a 17.02% increase in residential base rates, a 67% rise in monthly service charges, and higher per-kWh rates, disproportionately impacting families, farmers, and small businesses compared to large industrial users like Meta and Micron.

We oppose this hike, which unfairly shifts the cost of Idaho's growth and infrastructure investments, including coal plant transitions and regional energy market participation, onto everyday ratepayers.

We oppose:

- Rate Increases: 17.02% increase in residential base rates. Monthly service charge rises from \$15 to \$25 (67% increase). Higher per-kWh rates for all usage levels.
- Time-of-Use Pricing: Optional plan to shift usage to off-peak hours.

- Cost Shift: \$46.8 million in power costs moved from Power Cost Adjustment to permanent base rates.
- Infrastructure Investments: Funds coal plant closures, renewable energy, and regional market infrastructure. Includes smart meters, transmission lines, and corporate facilities.
- Uneven burden: Residential and small business customers face over double the percentage rate increase of large commercial/industrial users. Families, seniors, and farmers bear the brunt, while big corporations benefit.
- Regional Energy Market Investments vs Idaho Interests: Investments support Western Energy Imbalance Market, potentially serving out-of-state demand. Why should Idaho ratepayers fund non-local benefits?
- Wildfire Mitigation Cost Shift: \$25 million for wildfire mitigation included in rate hike. This bypasses accountability under Idaho's Wildfire Standard of Care Act (S1183).
- Risky Precedent: Similar policies in California led to massive rate hikes and blackouts. New York's climate legislation adds \$3 billion annually to resident costs. Europe's lesson: Spain, France, England, and Germany no longer can meet energy needs due to "Green Energy / Climate Change Hoax" policies like those Idaho Power intends to implement.

Please DO NOT approve this rate hike!"

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Name of Utility Company: Idaho Power

Case ID: IPC-E-25-16

Comment: "The proposed Idaho Power rate increase unfairly burdens residential customers and favors large corporations. The increase is inequitably distributed such that

the families of Idaho incur larger percentage billing increases, and subsidize the heavy industrial corporate users of electrical power. It is the Metas and Microns who are causing heavy increases in power demand, and they should bear the larger percentage billing increase. Idaho families should not have to subsidize the ever-increasing electricity demand of large corporations. To do otherwise is unfair to everyday Idahoans. "

The following comment was submitted via PUCWeb:

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Name of Utility Company: Idaho Power
Case ID: IPC-E-25-16

Comment: "It is completely unfair that residential customers and small businesses are facing a 17% rate hike while big businesses are only facing a 5% to 10 % increase. Big businesses use 3 times the power than residential do."

The following comments were submitted via PUCWeb:

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Name of Utility Company: Idaho Power
Case ID: IPC-E-25-16

Comment: "I have a mailer in my hand that says: Idaho Power Requests Rate DECREASE in Annual PCA Filing" "... All Idaho customers will see a price decrease."

Filed March 14th and to take effect June 1. What changed?"

Name: John Wydick

Submission Time: Jun 8 2025 6:17AM

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Nampa, ID 83686

Name of Utility Company: Idaho Power

Case ID: IPC-E-25-16

Comment: "With this current rate increase of 17.35 % on residential customers and a increase in the service charge to \$25.00 (solar customers should be paying this service charge increase not regular residential users) it is going to place a burden upon residential users. With the increase of large power users like Micron and Meta these companies and other classes of users need to start sharing more of these costs instead of placing so much on the residential user. When considering this rate increase please remember that each residential customer represents a family and families in Idaho are stressed to the breaking point with what they are dealing with the high cost of inflation. Every time Idaho Power requests a rate increase it appears that it has become automatic for the Idaho PUC to grant their requests. If a line is not drawn on these rate increases Idaho is going to go the way of other states whose power has become a burden upon it's users. "

The following comment was submitted via PUCWeb:

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Name of Utility Company: Idaho power

Case ID: IPC-E-25-16

Comment: "Idaho power should not be l creating prices on Idahoans who are already struggling to make ends meet. We are getting squeezed by increasing prices everywhere. Seems as though California will benefit more from this. They need to be footing the bill. The

increase in Idaho population also means more revenue for Idaho power. They need to be more fiscally responsible like Idaho families have to be just to put food in the table. "

The following comment was submitted via PUCWeb:

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Eagle, ID 83616

Name of Utility Company: Idaho Power

Case ID: IPC-E-25-16

Comment: "I would like to express my opinion in strong opposition to Idaho Power's proposal to increase the residential service charge from \$15 to \$25. Not to long ago, I remember it being \$5, then \$10. Now, they are seeking another \$120/year from residential customers. They claim on their website that this higher service charge yields a larger portion of the customers' monthly bill be collected through the fixed fee charge. What a load of crap to the customer! This completely undermines the customer who is trying to be energy efficient, trying to use alternate energy sources to keep their bill low. Now, even if a home (like mine is often in the summer), is completely energy efficient through the summer and barely imports any power from the grid because I invested in solar - - I'm being punished for it. It sure seems that all the recent "moves" Idaho Power is making recently goes against everyone who is trying to be efficient of their resources. I invested in solar to NOT HAVE A BILL!!!! And this big monopolized entity is just sticking it to people like us and saying - - too bad, we are going to get your money one way or another. I'll tell you guys this - if this goes much further you're going to have people disconnecting from the grid all together. I have solar and a battery backup plan - - I know I sure can sustain myself without Idaho Power at all. Please reconsider what this surcharge is doing to the customers. Even fixed income folks. The extra \$120/year - no matter WHAT THEY IMPORT FROM THE GRID - - is asking a lot! Honestly, I'd rather Idaho Power keep their fixed fee connection fee at \$5, and increase power rates. Have people PAY FOR WHAT THEY USE - not be punished regardless of their use!! This is ridiculous. "

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Name of Utility Company: Idaho power

Case ID: IPC-E-25-16

Comment: "The majority of the rising costs should be paid for by the impact fees being charged on new residential buildings. The real problem, however, are the sweetheart deals being given to large corporations like Meta for data centers that consume as much electricity -and water-as many Idaho cities yet are not required to pay the associated costs and impact fees.

Idaho power should stop trying to pass off these fees to taxpayers already burdened by our-of-control property values and associated taxes and instead ask for the imposition of graduated and increasing electricity costs on the commercial users driving up demand."

Name: Brian Tish

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Name of Utility Company: Idaho power

Case ID: IPC-E-25-16

Comment: "I understand a company such as Idaho power is in the business of making money. My problem with the rate increases is with the fixed cost increase. No matter how hard I try or what i do to decress my use of electric Idaho power still wants more money from me. And also in almost every bill I get something about conserving power usage. So what is it they want me to use less but still pay more? Doesn't seem right to me"

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Name of Utility Company: Idaho Power
Case ID: IPC-E-25-16

Comment: "Hi, I'm opposed to any rate hikes from Idaho Power Company! I don't agree with Idaho Power shutting down the Boardman coal plant in Oregon and exiting the Jim Bridger facility in Wyoming by 2026 and the North Valmy Generating Station in Nevada by 2031. These plants have historically provided about 40% of Idaho Power's electricity supply. The company says it's on a path to 100% clean energy by 2045, and is investing heavily in transmission lines, smart grid systems, and renewable sources like wind and solar to get there. We already know wind and solar power generation is not always practical for demand and wind generation doesn't have a great payback! I'm on a fixed income that doesn't keep up with electricity costs! thanks"

The following comment was submitted via PUCWeb:

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Name of Utility Company: Idaho Power
Case ID: IPC-E-25-16

Comment: "I, like a lot of the people I know, am retired and on a fixed income. These continuous raises to our utility bills gives us less money for life's necessities. I am sure none of this matters to Idaho Power or to the commission that ultimately decides yes or no on rate hikes, but it matters to thousands of Idahoans who are struggling just to live. We vote for our legislators who ultimately set the parameters for commissions that effect our lives; but our legislators often fail to stand for the little guy and bow down to big business.

In this case, a lot of the money being asked for is not even for the benefit of Idahoans. Do not be surprised when people bad-mouth your company and ask for legislators to do all they can to slow down this ever increasing spiral of rising costs. "

The following comment was submitted via PUCWeb:

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Name of Utility Company: Idaho Power

Case ID: IPC-E-25-16

Comment: "I have lived in the Treasure Valley in Idaho for over 65 years. I have been a customer of Idaho power the entire time. I am tired of paying for the growth when I had nothing to do with those wanting to come here and enjoy the great area I have called home my entire life. I feel that Growth should be paying for its on way. If big business wants to enjoy our inexpensive way of life they should have to pay for their impact on those that live here. I people want to move here and enjoy our way of life they should not cause me to have to pay more for where I live. Those that are coming here need to be paying larger percent than those how have been here and have not impacted the needs that cause Idaho Power to have to grow there foot print. Please find a way to protect those that are here for the long term. Do not drive us out of the area because we can no longer afford to live here. Do Not Turn the Treasure Valley and Southern Idaho into California. Please make the power hunger businesses pay their own way."

The following comment was submitted via PUCWeb:

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Name of Utility Company: Idaho Power

Case ID: IPC-E-25-16

Comment: "I would like to state my displeasure with the proposed 17% increase in rates. No one can keep up with the rising cost of living and raising power rates will significantly affect the already struggling working class in the area. Many may be able to stomach the increase, but far too many simply won't be able to. I've not seen a 17% bonus on my paycheck nor anyone else within my social circle, so I don't see how people will be able to absorb these costs when so many Idahoans both young and old are living paycheck to paycheck. How will the fixed income elderly continue to survive the cost of living crisis if things keep up like this?

If I may make a suggestion, welcome bitcoin miners to Idaho to bolster both the grid itself and the monetization of the grid. Look no further than Texas, another Red state, as a good example. We could potentially save money if we welcomed bitcoin miners to Idaho and we have some of the most abundant hydroelectric availability in the entire country. Why are we not welcoming bitcoin miners?! Why are we charging them a premium on electricity when it is a verifiable fact that doing so renders mining wholly unprofitable and thus impossible to take root and flower here.

Idaho Power and the PUC cannot remain logically consistent if they wish to modernize the grid while simultaneously making it all but impossible for bitcoin mining to operate here. Arguments against bitcoin and bitcoin mining may have made sense even a year ago, but we can a very different landscape in front of us today. Please give bitcoin some serious consideration and squash the luddites' antiquated and debunked arguments. Please seek alternatives to raising rates and think on how this will negatively impact your customers.

Thank you.

06/04/25

Public Utilities

P.O. Box 83720

Boise, Id. 83720-0074

To Whom It May Concern,

I am totally against Idaho
Power getting another raise.

They just got one on January
1st, and our power bills are high
enough.

I hope this raise can be stopped?
Hope many people will write in
and stop this.

Many thanks for your attention
and concern.

We are seniors we need to
watch every penny and dollar.

Sincerely,

Karon Good

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Sharon Moon

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