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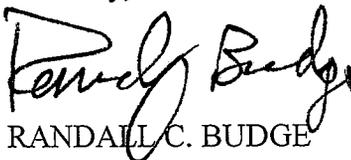
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Re: *Gooding County Case No. 2008-000551*
A&B Irrigation District v. IDWR et al

Dear Clerk:

Attached for filing please find Idaho Ground Water Appropriators, Inc.'s Notice of Appeal in the captioned matter. Filing fees were overnight mailed to you yesterday.

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**IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE
STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF GOODING**

A&B IRRIGATION DISTRICT, AMERICAN
FALLS RESERVOIR DISTRICT #2,
BURLEY IRRIGATION DISTRICT,
MILNER IRRIGATION DISTRICT,
MINIDOKA IRRIGATION DISTRICT,
NORTH SIDE CANAL COMPANY, and
TWIN FALLS CANAL COMPANY

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,
BUREAU OF RECLAMATION,

Petitioners,

vs.

IDAHO DAIRYMEN'S ASSOCIATION,
INC.,

Cross-Petitioner,

vs.

GARY SPACKMAN, in his capacity as
Interim Director of the Idaho Department of
Water Resources,¹ and THE IDAHO
DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES

Respondents,

Case No.: 2008-000551

**IDAHO GROUND WATER
APPROPRIATORS, INC.'S NOTICE OF
APPEAL**

**Fee Category: L-4
Fee Amount: \$101**

¹ Director David R. Tuthill retired as Director of Idaho Department of Water Resources effective June 30, 2009. Gary Spackman was appointed as Interim Director. I.R.C.P. 25 (d) and (e).

IN THE MATTER OF DISTRIBUTION OF
WATER TO VARIOUS WATER RIGHTS
HELD BY OR FOR THE BENEFIT OF A&B
IRRIGATION DISTRICT, AMERICAN
FALLS RESERVOIR DISTRICT #2,
BURLEY IRRIGATION DISTRICT,
MILNER IRRIGATION DISTRICT,
MINIDOKA IRRIGATION DISTRICT,
NORTH SIDE CANAL COMPANY AND
TWIN FALLS CANAL COMPANY

TO: THE ABOVE-NAMED RESPONDENTS, A&B IRRIGATION DISTRICT, AMERICAN FALLS RESERVOIR DISTRICT #2, BURLEY IRRIGATION DISTRICT, MILNER IRRIGATION DISTRICT, MINIDOKA IRRIGATION DISTRICT, NORTH SIDE CANAL COMPANY, and TWIN FALLS CANAL COMPANY, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, BUREAU OF RECLAMATION, IDAHO DAIRYMEN'S ASSOCIATION, INC., GARY SPACKMAN, IN HIS CAPACITY AS INTERIM DIRECTOR OF THE IDAHO DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES, AND THE IDAHO DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES, CITY OF POCA TELLO, AND THE PARTIES' ATTORNEYS AS IDENTIFIED ON THE CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE BELOW; AND THE CLERK OF THE ABOVE ENTITLED COURT.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT:

1. The above named Appellant, IDAHO GROUND WATER APPROPRIATORS, INC. ("IGWA" or "Ground Water Users") for and on behalf of its members, appeals against the above named respondents to the Idaho Supreme Court from the District Court's final *Amended Order on Petitions for Rehearing, Order Denying Surface Water Coalition's Motion for Clarification* ("Final Order"), entered in the above entitled action on September 9, 2010, the Honorable John M. Melanson presiding. Unless modified by the Final Order, The Final Order expressly incorporates the District Court's Order on Petition for Judicial Review, entered in the above entitled action on July 24, 2009, the Honorable John M. Melanson presiding.

2. The Appellants have a right to appeal to the Idaho Supreme Court, and the *Amended Order on Petitions for Rehearing, Order Denying Surface Water Coalition's Motion for Clarification* is appealable pursuant to Rule 11(f) of the Idaho Appellate Rules.

3. The Appellants intend to assert the following preliminary issues on appeal, provided this list of issues shall not prevent the appellant from asserting other issues on appeal:

- a. Whether the District Court erred in holding that the Director abused his discretion in determining that Twin Falls Canal Company full supply of water should be based upon 5/8 inch per acre for purpose of calculating any mitigation requirement of ground water users in the under the Conjunctive Management Rules.

- b. Whether the District Court erred in rejecting the Director's determination that any reasonable carry-over obligation should be provided in the season in which the water can be put to beneficial use, not the season before.
- c. Whether the District Court erred in holding that the Director exceeded his authority by refusing to curtail junior ground water users to provide for more than one year of reasonable carry-over storage.
- d. Whether the Court erred in incorporating the *Memorandum Decision and Order on Petition for Judicial Review* issued by Judge Wildman in Minidoka County Case No. CV 2009-647 on May 4, 2010.
- e. Whether the District Court erred by requiring the Director to presume a senior is injured anytime the senior receives less than his maximum authorized rate of diversion, unless and until the junior users proves otherwise by "clear and convincing" evidence.
- f. Whether the curtailment orders comply with the requirements of the Ground Water Act.

4. No order has been entered sealing any portion of the record.

5. The Appellant requests that the transcript of the administrative proceedings held before the Idaho Department of Water Resources be made a part of the record on appeal. The Appellant currently possesses a copy of the transcript, as it was previously prepared in conjunction with the District Court's judicial review of this action. A copy of the transcript may be obtained from Idaho Department of Water Resources. In addition, Appellant requests that a copy of the transcripts from the following hearings held before the district court also be included:

- a. Hearing on Oral Argument, May 26, 2009.
- b. Any additional transcripts that may be required will be requested pursuant to Idaho Appellate Rule 19.

6. The Appellant requests that all pleadings, briefs, and attachments filed in this case plus all other documents in the clerk's record automatically included under Rule 28 of the Idaho Appellate Rules be made part of the record. Appellants also request, to the extent that the following pleadings are not found in the district court docket of the above-captioned matter, the following pleadings be made part of the record:

- a. Pocatello's Notice of Appeal and Petition for Judicial Review of Agency Action (Final Methodology Order), July 21, 2010, originally filed in case no. 2008-000551, renumbered and re-filed by the Gooding County district clerk as case no. 2010-0000388.
- b. Notice of Appeal and Petition for Judicial Review of Final Agency Action (Methodology for Determining Material Injury) filed by A&B Irrigation District, Burley Irrigation District, Milner Irrigation District, North Side Canal

Company, Twin Falls Canal Company, July 21, 2010, originally filed in case no. 2008-000551, renumbered and re-filed by the Gooding County district clerk as case no. 2010-384.

- c. IGWA's Petition for Judicial Review (Second Amended Order Re: Methodology dated June 23, 2010), July 20, 2010, originally filed in case no. 2008-000551, renumbered and re-filed by the Gooding County district clerk as case no. CV-2010-383.
- d. IGWA's Petition for Judicial Review (Final Order Re: April 2010 Forecast Supply dated June 24, 2010), July 21, 2010 originally filed in case no. 2008-00551, renumbered and re-filed by the Gooding County district clerk as case no. CV-2010-382.
- e. IGWA and Pocatello's Motion for Consolidation, July 21, 2010, case no. CV-2010-382.
- f. Motion to Renumber Appeals and to File Appeals in Gooding County Case No. CV-2008-551, July 23, 2010, case nos. CV-2010-383, CV-2010-384, CV-2010-388.
- g. Surface Water Coalition's Joint Response to IGWA and Pocatello's Motion for Stay and Consolidation and Motion to Renumber Appeals and to File Appeals in Gooding County Case No. CV-2008-551, July 28, 2010, case no. CV-2010-382.
- h. Order Denying Motion to Renumber; Order Consolidating Proceedings Involving Petitions for Judicial Review of "Methodology Order" and "As-Applied Order", Hon. Eric J. Wildman presiding, July 29, 2010, case no. CV-2010-382, County of Gooding, (consolidated Gooding County cases CV-2010-382, CV2010-383; CV-2010-384, CV-2010-387, CV-2010-388, and Twin Falls County Case CV-2010-3403).
- i. Any additional documents that may be required will be requested pursuant to Idaho Appellate Rule 19.

7. The Appellant requests that all of the exhibits included in the agency record be copied and sent to the Supreme Court.

8. I certify:

- a. That a copy of this notice of appeal has been served on the reporter.
- b. That the fee required for the preparation of the reporter's transcript was paid in conjunction with the District Court's judicial review of this action.
- c. That the estimated fee for preparation of the clerk's record has been paid.

- d. That service has been made upon all parties required to be served pursuant to Rule 20.

DATED, this 21st day of October, 2010.

RACINE, OLSON, NYE, BUDGE &
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By: 
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