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IDAHO DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES

IN THE MATTER OF THE DISTRI-
BUTION OF WATER TO WATER
RIGHTS HELD BY AQUARIUS AQ-
UACULTURE, WATER RIGHT
NOS. 36-07092B, 36-07159, AND
36-07160

Docket No. CM-DC-2014-001

IGWA'S Petition To Intervene

Idaho Ground Water Appropriators, Inc. (IGWA), acting for and on behalf of its members, hereby petitions to intervene in this matter pursuant to Idaho Department of Water Resources (IDWR) Rules of Procedure 156 and 350 through 354.¹

Rule 156 defines "Intervenors" as "[p]ersons, not applicants or claimants, appellants, complainants, respondents or protestants to a proceeding, who are permitted to participate as parties pursuant to Rule 350 through 354" Rule 350 states: "Persons not applicants or claimants or appellants, petitioners, complainants, protestants, or respondents to a proceeding who claim a direct and substantial interest in the proceeding may petition for an order from the presiding officer granting intervention to become a party, if a formal hearing is required by statute to be held in the proceeding." A petition to intervene shall be granted if the petition "shows direct and substantial interest in any part of the subject matter of a proceeding

¹ IDAPA 37.01.01 *et seq.* (For ease of citation, IDAPA 37.01.01 will be omitted and citation to the Department's Rules of Procedure will simply be by "Rule".)

and does not unduly broaden the issues, . . . unless the applicant's interest is adequately represented by existing parties.”²

On February 14, 2014, Aquarius Aquaculture, filed a Petition for Delivery Call (“Petition”) before the Department alleging that Aquarius Aquaculture’s decreed water rights have suffered and will continue to suffer material injury as a result of junior-priority ground water rights in the Eastern Snake Plain Aquifer Area. The Petition asks the Director to order curtailment of diversions under water rights junior to Aquarius Aquaculture’s water right nos. 36-07092B, 36-07159, and 36-07160.

IGWA represents Ground Water Districts whose members include hundreds of irrigators, municipalities, and commercial and industrial entities who own water rights that divert from the Eastern Snake Plain Aquifer (ESPA) that are exposed to curtailment under the Petition. As such, IGWA and its members have a direct and substantial interest the Petition. Therefore, IGWA requests an order granting it intervention in this matter.

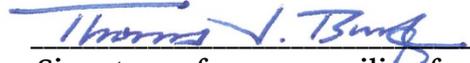
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² Rule 353.

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I certify that on this 17th day of July, 2014, the foregoing document was served on the following persons in the manner indicated.



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