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

In Re SRBA

) Subcase Numbers: 55-02414, 55-07319,
) 55-07383, 55-07410, 55-07413, 55-07420,
) 55-11890, and 55-13450

Case No. 39576

)
) **JOINT MOTION TO CONSOLIDATE**
) **SUBCASES**

Pursuant to Idaho R. Civ. P. 42(a) and Administrative Order 1, 11, the United States of America, by and through the United States Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management (hereinafter "BLM) and LU Ranching Co., by and through their respective undersigned counsel, respectfully move this Court for an Order for joint proceedings and joint trial of all issues in the above-captioned subcases.

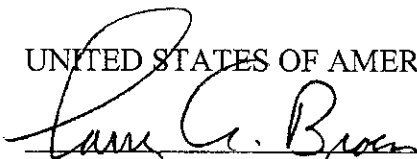
LU Ranching Co. filed Water Right Number 55-13450 which describes points of diversion and places of use on federal public land. The purpose of use is to provide water to livestock using public land for grazing. The BLM filed an objection to this claim.

The BLM filed Water Right Numbers 55-02414, 55-07319, 55-07383, 55-07410, 55-07413, 55-07420, and 55-11890 which describe points of diversion and places of use on federal public land that are in common with Water Right Number 55-13450. The purpose of use is to provide water to livestock using public land for grazing. LU Ranching filed objections to BLM's claims.

All of the above-captioned subcases were referred to Special Master Dolan. For reasons of judicial economy, joint proceedings and joint trial of the above-captioned subcases are appropriate so the Special Master may determine adverse claims to the use of water from the same sources in one proceeding or one trial. There appearing to be good cause, this Court should Order that all of the above-captioned be consolidated for joint proceedings and joint trial.

Respectfully submitted,

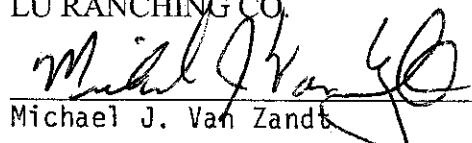
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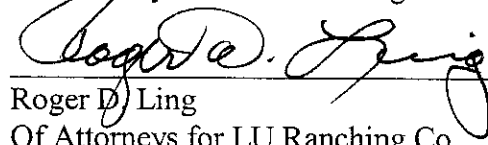
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this 4th day of February, 2003, I served a true and correct copy of the foregoing **JOINT MOTION TO CONSOLIDATE SUBCASES**, by depositing a copy thereof in the U.S. mail, postage prepaid, or via hand delivery or facsimile where indicated, upon the following:

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