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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: 55-13667
	)	
Case No. 39576	)	ORDER OF REFERENCE APPOINTING
	)	THEODORE R. BOOTH SPECIAL MASTER

On June 29, 1998, the Idaho Department of Water Resources filed an abstract of the above-listed federal-based water right. No objections were filed to this abstract and the time period for filing objections has expired. Because this water right claim is based upon a federal reservation, the Idaho Department of Water Resources did not conduct an independent review of this notice of claim. Pursuant to I.C. § 42-1411A(12), the claimant has the burden of persuasion for each element of the water right.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that Theodore R. Booth is appointed as special master for subcase 55-13667 and shall proceed under *SRBA Administrative Order 1*.

The special master shall preside over subcases and issue reports as set forth in *SRBA Administrative Order 1* and shall have the authority to: fix the time and conditions for the filing of supplemental pleadings and amendments to pleadings; schedule and hear dispositive and nondispositive motions of any party; schedule and conduct all pretrial matters, including pretrial, status and scheduling conferences; issue pretrial orders; schedule and limit the scope of discovery; order the discovery of facts known and opinions held by experts; issue protective orders; issue orders compelling discovery; sanction failure to comply with pretrial, trial-related or post-trial orders; summon witnesses and issue subpoenas; take such evidence as may be introduced or deemed necessary by her; rule on the admissibility of evidence; call witnesses on behalf of the court; and appoint expert witnesses for the court.

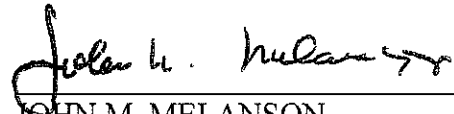
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SPECIAL MASTER

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Special Master Booth shall set proceedings in conformity with *SRBA Administrative Order I*, section 9, notwithstanding the provisions of I.R.C.P. 53(d)(1), and exercise the power to regulate all proceedings in every hearing and to do all acts and take all measures necessary or proper for the efficient performance of his duties under this Order.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

DATED March 17, 2005.

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JOHN M. MELANSON
Presiding Judge
Snake River Basin Adjudication

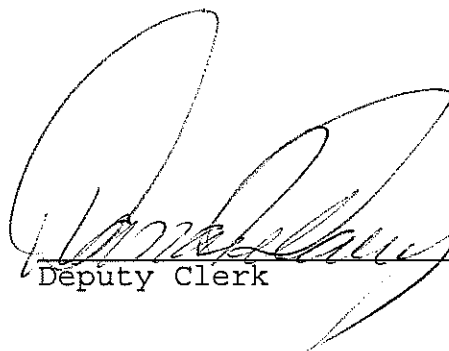
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