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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 No. 81-02181
	)	
Case Number: 39576	)	AFFIDAVIT OF DAVID M. CAMPBELL
_____	)	

State of: MONTANA
County of: RAVALLI

David M. Campbell, being first duly sworn upon oath, deposes and says:

1. I am currently employed by the United States Department of Agriculture, Forest Service ("Forest Service"), as the District Ranger on the West Fork Ranger District of the Bitterroot National Forest. I have been employed by the Forest Service for 30 years.

2. As part of my assigned duties and responsibilities as the District Ranger, I am familiar with the use of Lantz Bar Guard Station.

3. I have reviewed the reserved water right claim, attached as Exhibit 1, submitted by the Forest Service for Lantz Bar Guard Station ("Claim").

4. The Claim was prepared by Forest Service personnel as part of their normal duties. I verified the legal locations as set forth and described in Exhibit 1 and have personal knowledge that the location of the point of diversion and place of use and source of the water supply are true and correct as described in Exhibit 1.

5. The Claim is situated wholly within National Forest System lands. It is currently utilized by the Forest Service at Lantz Bar Guard Station to manage National Forest System lands.

6. The Claim is necessary for the administration of the National Forest pursuant to the Organic Administration Act of 1897, 16 U.S.C. § 475 *et seq.*, for the purposes of securing favorable conditions of water flow and to furnish a continuous supply of timber.

7. The United States filed this Claim for use in association with Lantz Bar Guard Station, an administrative site located in a remote part of the Bitterroot National Forest surrounded by the Frank Church River Of No Return Wilderness and on the Salmon River within the congressionally designated National Wild and Scenic River corridor. The administrative site includes a residence and other capital improvements. The primary use is by personnel administering commercial outfitter and guide permits, and by trail crews and weed

control crews. It is also an important location for staging fire crews when there are fires in the wilderness and for structure protection at Lantz Bar because it is often threatened by wild fire. Normal access is by pack trail, jet boat and helicopter. It is used every year for administration of National Forest resource management programs. Employee presence at Lantz Bar contributes to the prevention of fire and other depredations that may destroy natural resources in this area. Fire Crews work to suppress fires in the wilderness. Personnel utilize water at this site for administrative purposes. The work performed by Forest Service personnel contributes directly to prevention of depredations, maintaining watersheds, timber production and assuring favorable conditions of water flow.

8. Based upon personal experience and knowledge, discussions with Forest Service personnel and review of relevant Forest Service records, including but not limited to on-site inspection records, water has been historically, and is presently utilized at Lantz Bar Guard Station in quantities up to and including 0.25 c.f.s. during the period of January 1 through December 31, as described in Exhibit 1.

9. Based upon the forgoing, I have personal knowledge of the following elements of the reserved water right claim:

a. The name and address of the claimant is:

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA acting on behalf of the U.S.D.A. Forest Service, 550 W. Fort Street, MSC033, Boise, ID 83724.

b. The source of water is:

Little Squaw Creek, tributary to the Salmon River.

c. The location is:

1) point of diversion:

B.M., T. 24 N, R. 13 E, S. 16 SENESW.

2) place of use:

B.M., T. 24 N, R. 13 E, S. 16 SENESW.

d. The quantity of water is:

0.25 c.f.s.

e. The period of use is:

January 1 through December 31

f. The purpose of use is:

Administrative purposes at Lantz Bar Guard Station.

Dated this 3rd day of May, 2005.

David M. Campbell
David M. Campbell

SUBSCRIBED and SWORN to before me this 3rd day of May, 2005.

Roylene Gaul



ROYLENE W. GAUL
NOTARY PUBLIC-MONTANA

Residing at Victor, Montana

My Comm. Expires August 12, 2008

NOTARY PUBLIC FOR:

Residing at: Victor, MT

My Commission Expires: 8/12/2008

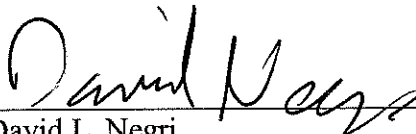
CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I certify that on May 9, 2005, I mailed a true and correct copy of the foregoing Affidavit of David M. Campbell upon the following by First Class United States Mail, prepaid:

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Department of Water Resources

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

IN RE THE GENERAL ADJUDICATION
OF RIGHTS TO THE USE OF WATER FROM
THE SNAKE RIVER BASIN WATER SYSTEM

CIVIL CASE NUMBER: 39576

Ident. Number: 81-02181

RESERVED UNDER FEDERAL LAW

1. Name of Claimant: UNITED STATES OF AMERICA on behalf of the U.S.D.A. Forest Service
Address: 550 W. Fort Street MSC033
Boise ID 83724
2. Date of Priority: 02/22/1897
3. Source of water: LITTLE SQUAW CREEK Tributary: SALMON RIVER
4. Location Meridian BOISE
Description of Diversion Works: Diversion Dam From: Stream
Location of Point of Diversion
T: 24 N R 13 E S: 16 SENESW
Location of Place of Use
T: 24 N R 13 E S: 16 SENESW
5. Quantity claimed: Period Quantity For
1 / 01 - 12 / 31 0.25 CFS Administrative
6. Total Consumptive Use Claimed for Present and Future Use is:
0.25 CFS
7. Present and future uses to which the water is or will be used:
Administrative
8. Remarks:
State Basin: 81
National Forest: Bitterroot
Forest Service Record ID: 1 3 17060207 76 0 A001
Lantz Bar Guard Station

I verify to the best of my knowledge the statements contained in this document are true and correct.

Steven M. Spencer
STEVEN M. SPENCER
Consumptive Use Water Specialist

Subscribed and sworn to before me on:

11-17-04
Gloria Baimbridge
Notary Republic

Residing at:

Boise, Idaho - Ada County

My Commission Expires:

10-7-08

