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Idaho Department of Water Resources
Attn: Allen Ruberry
900 N. Skyline Drive
Idaho Falls, Idaho 83402

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Department of Water Resources
Eastern Region

RE: City of Lava Hot Springs, Water Improvement Project

Dear Mr. Ruberry:

The City of Lava Hot Springs is in the process of performing an environmental review pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act for USDA, Rural Development, in order that they may assess the environmental impacts of construction of improvements to Lava's culinary drinking water system. These planned improvements include:

- * Water Line Installation/ Replacements
- * Existing Well Upgrades/ Connections
- * Water Meter Installation
- * Telemetry /Control System Installation
- * A new 400,000 gallon reinforced concrete storage tank

All water lines will be installed within existing right-of-ways. Existing wells will be upgraded at current locations. An enlargement of the existing water right on the Church Well (#29-7346 V1) will be requested from 0.310 cfs to 0.558 cfs. Two Portneuf River crossings are planned but will only replace two existing conduits attached to existing bridges above the bottom elevations of the structures. No work associated with this project is anticipated in the River. A map showing the features of the project is attached.

We would appreciate your consideration of the proposed project and any concerns or issues which should be addressed regarding this project. Any comments should be directed to me at the address listed on this letter. If there are questions regarding the project, please feel free to contact me. We anticipate some construction work would begin this spring and so we would ask that any comments be returned to us by March 8, 2002. Thank you in advance for your timely input.

Sincerely,



L. Wayne Shepherd, P.E.
Project Manager

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