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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. 77-11657
	)	
Case Number: 39576	)	AFFIDAVIT OF A. SHANE JEFFRIES
_____	)	

State of: IDAHO
County of: VALLEY

A. Shane Jeffries, being first duly sworn upon oath, deposes and says:

1. I am currently employed by United States Department of Agriculture, Forest Service (Forest Service), as District Ranger on the McCall Ranger District of the Payette

National Forest. I have been employed by the Forest Service for 19 years.

2. As part of my assigned duties and responsibilities as District Ranger on the McCall Ranger District I am familiar with and use Warren Guard Station.

3. I have reviewed the reserved water right claim, attached as Exhibit 1, submitted by the Forest Service for Warren 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 Warren 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 Warren Guard Station, an Administrative Site located in a remote area of the Payette National Forest. The administrative site includes a dwelling, a workcenter/administration building, a bunkhouse, a wash house, two garages, a gas house, a barn, a corral and other capital improvements. It is used every year for administration of National Forest resource management programs. Personnel utilize water at this site for administrative purposes. Fire personnel housed at this site include an engine crew and a hand crew. Other personnel also use the site as needed in the normal course of their duties. Occupation and use of Warren Guard Station is essential to the overall

administration of Forest Service programs on this part of the Payette National Forest to protect timber and watersheds from fire and other depredations thereby ensuring continuing viability of the resources on surrounding federally reserved National Forest System land to maintain and improve watershed conditions, timber production and 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 Warren Guard Station in quantities up to and including 0.04 c.f.s. during the period of May 1 through October 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:

Warren Creek

c. The location is:

1) point of diversion:

B.M., T. 22 N, R. 6 E, S. 11 SENE.

2) place of use:

B.M., T. 22 N, R. 6 E, S. 11 SENE.

- d. The quantity of water is:
0.04 c.f.s.
- e. The period of use is:
May 1 through October 31
- f. The purpose of use is:
Administrative purposes at Warren Guard Station.

Dated this 9th day of February 2007.

A. Shane Jeffries
A. Shane Jeffries

SUBSCRIBED and SWORN to before me this 9th day of February 2007.



Kathryn Nash

NOTARY PUBLIC FOR:

Residing at: Valley County, Idaho

My Commission Expires: 3/13/07

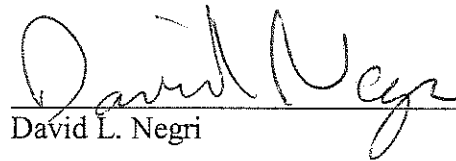
CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I certify that on February 14, 2007, I mailed a true and correct copy of the foregoing Affidavit of A. Shane Jeffries to the following by First Class United States Mail, prepaid:

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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: 06/03/1905
3. Source of water: WARREN CREEK Tributary: SALMON RIVER
4. Location Meridian BOISE
Description of Diversion Works: Pump From: Stream
Location of Point of Diversion
T: 22 N R 06 E S: 11 SENE
Location of Place of Use
T: 22 N R 06 E S: 11 SENE
5. Quantity claimed: Period Quantity For
5 / 01 -- 10 / 31 0.04 CFS Administrative
6. Total Consumptive Use Claimed for Present and Future Use is:
0.04 CFS
7. Present and future uses to which the water is or will be used:
Administrative
8. Remarks:
State Basin: 77
National Forest: Payette
Forest Service Record ID: 4 12 17060207 31 0 0406