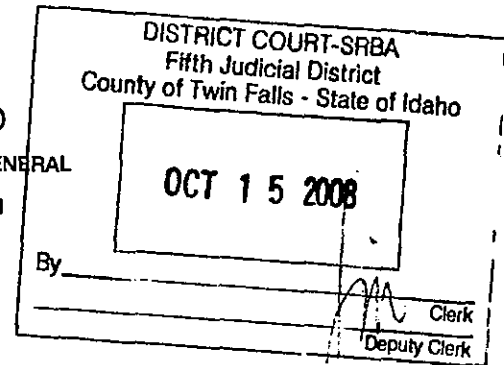




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Honorable Terrance A. Dolan
Special Master
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RE: Subcases 75-14437, 75-14438, 75-14440, 75-14162, 75-14163, 75-14269, 75-14432,
75-14434, 75-14095 and 75-14097

Dear Special Master Dolan:

The Idaho Department of Water Resources ("IDWR") is in receipt of the Court's October 8, 2008, *Order Setting Deadlines and Status Conference*, wherein a deadline of October 31, 2008, is set for the filing of Amended Director's Reports ("ADRs") in the above-referenced subcases.

IDWR adjudication agent Nate Arave has been looking closer at these claims and now realizes that they are going to be more involved and complicated than first thought. Mr. Arave now believes that he will need until the spring of 2009 to adequately complete his document review, conduct field visits and submit the necessary ADRs to the Court. I am sending this letter to you so that you are aware that IDWR will not be able to meet the October 31, 2008 deadline. I am also sending a copy of this letter to the parties so that they are aware that the Department will not be filing ADRs until the spring.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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