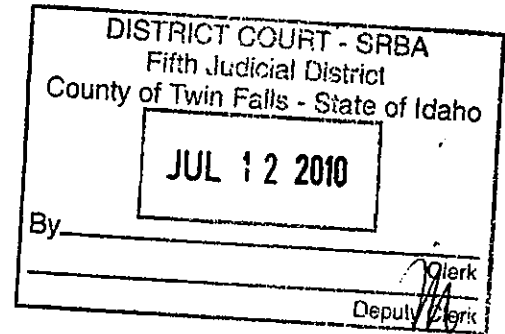


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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE
STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS

IN RE SRBA,)
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Case No. 39576)
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Water Right 37-04242 and 37-21964
AFFIDAVIT OF MILTON FIFE

STATE OF IDAHO,)
) ss.
County of Blaine.)

MILTON FIFE, being sworn upon oath, deposes and states as follows:

1. I am eighty-one (81) years old, and I make the averments contained herein of my own personal knowledge and would testify to the facts as presented herein if called upon to do so.

2. I am a long time resident of the Wood River Valley, Blaine County, Idaho. I spent most of my working years in the mining industry. In Blaine County, I worked at the Triumph Mine and Queen of the Hills or Minnie Moore Mine ("Minnie Moore"). From 1969 through 1979, I worked as a mine inspector for the State of Idaho.

3. Between 1966 and the Fall of 1969, I worked for Federal Resources as a miner and shifter at the Minnie Moore. The Minnie Moore was operating when I left in the Fall of 1969. Material was mined from the subsurface and brought to the surface for milling. The subsurface

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activities used a lot of water. I am not aware of the quantity. Water was piped from the surface to subsurface for various reasons. Water was used in the drilling process. After the drilling and blasting was done, large quantities of water were required to wet-down the shaft. On the surface, large quantities of water were used to mill the ore. Large vats of water were located at the mine. From the vats of water, various metals were processed. Water was also used in the "dryhouse" where miners would clean themselves after a day of mining. The "dryhouse" had many showers.

4. Beginning in 1945, at the age of seventeen (17) years, I worked at the Triumph Mine, a mine located out East Fork, between Ketchum and Hailey, Idaho. I worked at Triumph Mine until 1957, when the mine shutdown. Based on my work in the mining community, I knew people who worked at the Minnie Moore. One of those people was Rupert House, a long-time Blaine County Commissioner. Rupert died in 2009. Rupert left the Triumph Mine in 1957 to work at the Minnie Moore. Rupert was still at the Minnie Moore when I started work in 1966. Based on my work in the mining industry, I am aware that the Minnie Moore was operational from at least 1950. I am not aware of what mining activity occurred at the Minnie Moore before 1950 because I was too young to remember. In 1945, when I first started to work at the Triumph Mine, I was living in Hailey, and I commuted to the Triumph Mine at East Fork. At that time, I did not have the occasion to travel to Bellevue, so I did not have much awareness of what was occurring in Bellevue, or at the Minnie Moore before 1950.

5. After I left the Triumph Mine in 1957, I worked in various mining activities, but mostly I worked for Morrison Knudson building missile silos.

6. I do not know anyone older than me who worked at the Minnie Moore.

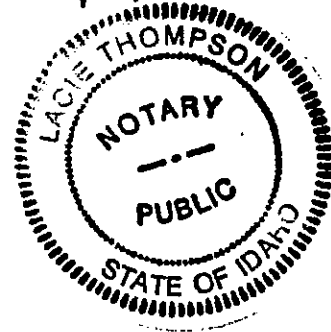
FURTHER YOUR AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.

DATED this 11th day of February, 2010.

Milton Fife
MILTON FIFE

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this 11th day of February, 2010.

Lacie Thompson
NOTARY PUBLIC FOR IDAHO
Residing at: Harley ID
Commission expires: 1/28/2014



CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

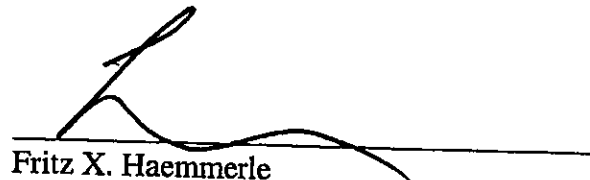
I certify that on July 7, 2010, I mailed the original and copies of this response, including all attachments, to the following persons:

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