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Director

February 13, 2009

Gary Barten  
975 Water Tower Rd  
St Maries, ID 83861

Dear Mr. Barten:

We have reviewed two of your Notice of Claims. The date of priority is listed as July 18, 1988. When a new diversion of surface water is started after May 20, 1971, an appropriation permit had to be obtained first. The date of priority is the date the water was first used regardless of who owned the property. If the priority date of your claim is incorrect then you can correct the date and return them to our office.

If there are no changes to the claim we will recommend to the court that it be disallowed.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Kenneth Knoblock', written in a cursive style.

Kenneth Knoblock  
Water Right Supervisor

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