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May 28, 2014

Via Email

Linda Werner
Idaho Department of Water Resources,
Northern Region
7600 N. Mineral Drive, Suite 100
Coeur d'Alene, ID 83815-2819

Re: Evidence of Priority - Potlatch

Dear Linda:

On behalf of Potlatch Corporation and its affiliated entities (collectively, "Potlatch") who have filed claims in the Coeur d'Alene – Spokane River Basin Adjudication, I am enclosing with this letter seven affidavits in response to your March 25, 2014 letter requesting evidence of priority dates. Per our telephone conversation on April 17, the submission date set forth in that letter was extended to May 28, 2014.

The enclosed affidavits are submitted in support of the following water right claims: 92-10876; 92-10879; 92-10880; 92-10881; 92-10882; 92-10883; and 92-10885.

Potlatch still is compiling evidence of priority for the other claims listed in your March 25 letter: 92-10877; 92-10878; 92-10884; 92-10886; 91-7724; 91-7725; and 91-7726. It is expected that such evidence will be similar in nature to the evidence enclosed with this letter. However, gathering such evidence has been complicated because the Potlatch employee who took the lead on developing the claims has retired and many of Potlatch's historical records are no longer in its possession because they recently were donated to the University of Idaho. Potlatch will submit evidence of priority for these other claims once it has been compiled.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



Michael P. Lawrence

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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 CSRBA

Case No. 49576

Subcase No. 92-10876

**AFFIDAVIT OF
BRANT STEIGERS**

STATE OF IDAHO)
 ss.
County of Latah)

BRANT STEIGERS, being first duly sworn upon oath, deposes and says as follows:

1.) I am a Land Use Forester for Potlatch Corporation, and its subsidiary companies Potlatch Forest Holdings, Inc., Potlatch Land and Lumber, LLC, and Potlatch TRS Idaho, LLC (collectively, "Potlatch"), the claimants of water rights in the Coeur d'Alene-Spokane River Basin Adjudication.

2.) I have personal knowledge of the facts herein and make this affidavit based on such personal knowledge and the records in my possession of which I am the custodian and which are made, kept, and used in the regular course of the business and practice of Potlatch.

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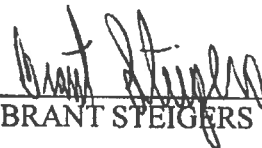
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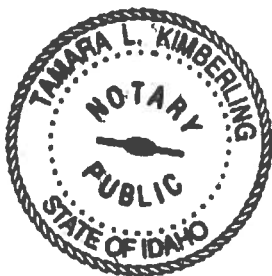
3.) Potlatch's water right claim no. 92-10876 reflects the historical use of water at Potlatch's St. Maries Complex in St. Maries, Idaho. The St. Maries Complex consists mainly of a sawmill, plywood mill, and log yard. Historical documentation and accounts show that a millsite has existed at the same location nearly continuously since the 1930s or earlier. Prior owners and operators of these millsites include The St. Maries Lumber Co. and St. Maries Plywood Co. Potlatch's records show that water pumps similar to or the same as those existing today were installed and functional in 1964, although it is reasonable to infer that water use began in connection with the commencement of milling operations at the site in the 1930s or earlier since water use is necessary for such operations.

4.) During my employment with Potlatch, I have visited the St. Maries Complex. Claim no. 92-10876 is consistent with current water use at the St. Maries Complex, using the same or similar equipment that was installed and functional in 1964. Accordingly, it is reasonable to infer that water was diverted for the claimed industrial and industrial storage purposes at least as early as 1964.

DATED this 28 day of May, 2014.


BRANT STEIGERS

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this 28 day of May, 2014.




NOTARY PUBLIC FOR IDAHO
Residing at Dary, Idaho
Commission expires: 12/10/2015