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DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES

State of Idaho
Department of Water Resources
P.O. Box 83720
Boise ID 83720-0098

RE: Water Right Permit No. 96-9785

Dear Sir,

I, George Agar, water right applicant for the above reference permit no., write this cover letter to help clear up potential misunderstandings concerning the attached proof of beneficial form.

Specifically, whereas the form 217 (statement of completion and proof of beneficial use) appears to be a 'one size fits all possible water users', I want to make sure you understand my specific usage (past, current and future):

- My diversion system was installed 18 yrs. ago (hence, this serves as notice that construction has been completed) for the purpose of pumping water from Lake Pend Oreille to irrigate my lawn and garden on approximately ½ of my 2 acre lot which I, at least, would consider to be a beneficial use. I doubt that the installer of my system was aware that a water right permit was needed. Upon hearing of the State of Idaho's renewed emphasis on establishing legal right to divert for all users, I began the application process to make that happen.
- Form 217 inquires: is a measuring device required? Not knowing the answer to that, I offer a description my diversion device for you to decide: it is a 1 hp submersible pump whose maximum output under the working head limits it's output to an flow rate less than listed as maximum for my permit.
- Form 217 inquires: is a lockable device required to control the diversion? The operation of my pump is controlled by an electronic, programable sprinkler controller which turns the system on and off in accordance with pre-set times. This controller is located in my garage and can be locked if necessary but past experience does not support the need.
- Form 217 inquires: is a fish screen required? The intake manifold, which is made of 4" diam. schedule 80 PVC, sucks lake water through a 2 ft. long tube with 1/8" slits. I would judge that to be sufficient to prevent ingesting tiny fish.

Enclosed, find a check for the \$50 license examination fee.

Sincerely,

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