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BENNETT MOUNTAIN RANCH & FARM, LLC.
C/O RANDALL D. BURR
1216 S LAKE POINTE WAY
EAGLE, ID 83616

Re: Well Construction fee

Dear Mr. Burr,

IDWR is in the process of reviewing transfer application 81689 for water right 37-7636B. This water right transfer proposes diverting water for irrigation from two separate points of diversion in the NWNE of Section 14, Township 02 South, Range 09 East, in Elmore County. The proposed points of diversion were originally drilled as domestic wells (Tags D0070173 in April 2016 and D0071842 in May 2016) under permit numbers 878457 and 878633. Specified in section 42-235, Idaho Code, if the well is to be used for other than domestic or monitoring purposes, the charge for the permit shall be two hundred dollars (\$200). The requirement is further explained in the well construction rules:

IDAPA 37.03.09 - Rule 45.05.b. The difference between the drilling permit fee required by Section 42-235 Idaho Code as applicable, must be paid when an existing well constructed on or after July 1, 1987, for which the lower drilling permit fee was paid, is authorized by the Director for a use which would require the larger drilling permit fee.

Because the wells were originally permitted only for domestic purposes, the drilling permit fee was \$75.00 each. The transfer increases the use of each well to Irrigation, which also increases the permit fee to \$200.00 each. At this time the Department requests that the difference (\$125.00 each/\$250 total) be paid to the department to appropriately match the use.

If you have any questions, please call me at 736-3033.

Sincerely,

Clinton Barnes
Well Drilling Coordinator
Sr. Water Resource Agent
IDWR Southern Region

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