

WATER SUPPLY BANK LEASE CONTRACT NO. 640

This Lease Contract ("**Lease**") is between the Idaho Water Resource Board ("**Board**"), and

LESSOR: ABERDEEN SPRINGFIELD
CANAL CO
PO BOX 857
ABERDEEN, ID 83210

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**DEPARTMENT OF
WATER RESOURCES**

RECITALS

1. The Board is authorized under chapter 17, title 42, Idaho Code to operate a water supply bank and to contract with lessors to act as an intermediary in facilitating the rental of water.
2. The Lessor has filed a completed application to lease water rights described below into the Water Supply Bank on forms supplied by the Idaho Department of Water Resources and received by the Department on Friday, March 31, 2017.
3. The Director of the Idaho Department of Water Resources has reviewed the application for compliance with the Water Supply Bank rules and has approved the Lease subject to conditions listed below.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants and contracts herein contained, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, the parties hereto agree as follows:

1. **WATER RIGHTS:** The Lessor shall lease and the Board shall accept into the Bank the Applicant's water rights described as follows:

Summary of Water Rights or Portions Leased to the Bank

Water Right No.	Priority Date	Source	Diversion Rate (CFS)	Diversion Volume (AF)	Acres (AC)
35-2543	8/7/1958	GROUND WATER	3.20	640.0	160.0
Lease Totals			3.20	640.0	160.0

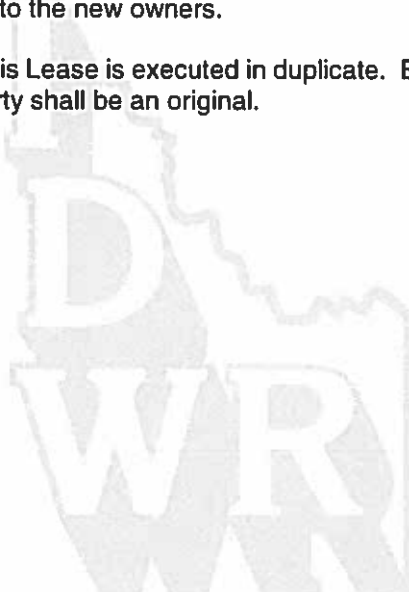
2. **COMPENSATION:** The Lessor shall accept and the Board shall pay compensation determined by the amount of water rented under the following rental rate during such times as the water is rented from the Bank over the term of this Lease.

Minimum Payment Acceptable: Current Rental Rate

3. **TERM OF LEASE:** The term of this lease shall be January 1, 2017 to December 31, 2017. This Lease shall bind the parties and take effect when both parties have signed it.
4. **WATER SUPPLY BANK CONDITIONS OF ACCEPTANCE:** The Lessor shall abide by all terms and conditions contained in the Water Supply Bank Conditions of Acceptance, attached hereto as "Attachment A" and incorporated herein by this reference.

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5. **CHANGE OF WATER RIGHT:** This lease specifies water right elements including but not limited to: diversion rates; diversion volumes; number of acres authorized to be irrigated; places of use; points of diversion; beneficial uses; and seasons of use. During the term of this lease, if a water right is administratively changed due to a water right split and renumbering, this lease may be reduced by an equal amount to reflect the water right elements as legally defined under the water right. If a lease contract cannot be reduced sufficient to reflect the legal definition of a water right as amended through a water right split and/or water right transfer, the Board may release the water right from the Water Supply Bank.
6. **ASSIGNMENT OF CONTRACT:** This lease is between the Board and the Lessor, who is the recognized owner or designated representative of the recognized owners of water rights described herein. Should ownership of any part of a water right herein described change during the term of this lease, either through a water right split, a water right transfer, sale of property to which the water right is appurtenant, or through any other recognized water right reassignment, the lease benefits and obligations to the conditions of acceptance for any such water rights will be assigned to the new owners.
7. **DUPLICATE ORIGINAL:** This Lease is executed in duplicate. Each of the documents with an original signature of each party shall be an original.



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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Contract on the date following their respective signatures.

LESSOR: ABERDEEN SPRINGFIELD CANAL
CO
PO BOX 857
ABERDEEN, ID 83210

By [Signature]
Title General Manager
Date 7/11/2017

IDAHO WATER RESOURCE BOARD
322 East Front Street
P.O. Box 83720
Boise, ID 83720-0098

By [Signature]
Brian Patton, Acting Administrator
Idaho Water Resource Board

Date 7/18/2017

Lease approved by IDWR [Signature]

Date 7-18-2017

**ATTACHMENT A
WATER SUPPLY BANK CONDITIONS OF ACCEPTANCE
FOR LEASE CONTRACT NO. 640**

The water rights or portions thereof leased to the bank are described as follows:

Source and Location of Point(s) of Diversion for Water Right No: 35-2543

GROUND WATER NWNESW Sec. 11 Twp 05S Rge 31E BINGHAM County

Water Right	Beneficial Use	Season of Use			Diversion Rate (CFS)	Volume (AF)
		From		To		
35-2543	IRRIGATION	04/01	to	10/31	3.2 cfs	640.0AF
Totals:					3.2 cfs	640.0 AF

PLACES OF USE TO BE IDLED UNDER THIS LEASE: IRRIGATION

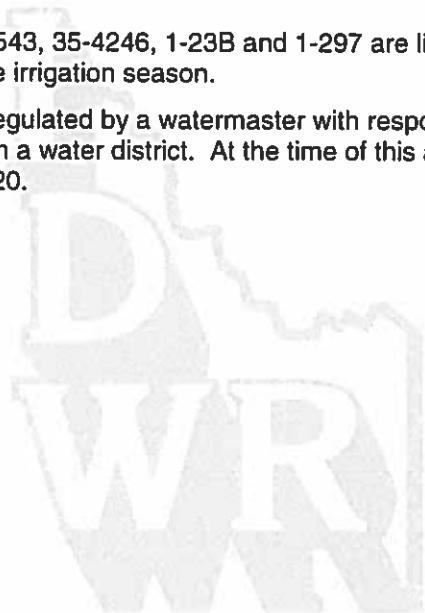
Within the boundary of Aberdeen – Springfield Canal Company pursuant to section 42-219 Idaho Code.
Total Acres: 160

ADDITIONAL CONDITIONS OF ACCEPTANCE

1. The water rights referenced above will be rented from the bank at the current rental rate.
2. There is no rental payment to the lessor of the water right if the right or a part thereof is not rented from the bank.
3. While a right is in the bank, the lessor may not use the right without approval of the Department even if the right is not rented from the bank. Any violation of the terms of this lease may result in enforcement procedures pursuant to Idaho Code § 42-351 for illegal diversion and use of water and may include civil penalties pursuant to Idaho Code § 42-1701B.
4. A right accepted into the bank stays in the bank until the Board releases it, or the lease term expires. A right may be released from the bank upon request, provided the Board approves the release. Unless approved by the Department, leased rights may not be immediately available for release.
5. While a water right is in the bank, forfeiture provisions are stayed pursuant to Idaho Code § 42-223(5).
6. Rental of water under this right is subject to the limitations and conditions of approval of the water right.
7. Failure of the right holder to comply with the conditions of acceptance is cause for the Director to rescind acceptance of the lease.
8. Acceptance of a right into the bank does not, in itself, confirm the validity of the right or any elements of the water right, or improve the status of the right including the notion of resumption of use. It does not preclude the opportunity for review of the validity of this water right in any other Department application process.
9. In accordance with Idaho Code § 42-248 and § 42-1409(6), all owners of water rights are required to notify the Department of any changes in mailing address or change in ownership of all or part of a water right. Notice must be provided within 120 days of the change.

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10. If a water right leased into the Water Supply Bank is sold or conveyed during the lease term, and if the leased right was rented, the rental proceeds will be disbursed in the following manner regardless of any arrangements between the buyer(s) and seller(s) to the contrary:
 - a. Rental payments will go to the lessor(s) of record at the beginning of the rental season, even if the Department processes a Notice of Change in Water Right Ownership during the rental season.
 - b. New lessor(s) of record will receive payment for any subsequent rental seasons.
11. The water right(s) is leased to the bank subject to all prior water rights and shall be administered in accordance with Idaho law and applicable rules of the Department of Water Resources.
12. Place of use is within the area served by Aberdeen-Springfield Canal Company.
13. Unleased portions of right 35-2543 are limited to irrigation of a combined total of 61,612.6 acres in a single irrigation season, a total combined diversion rate of 2.80 cfs and a total combined annual diversion volume of 1907.0 af.
14. Unleased portions of rights 35-2543, 35-4246, 1-23B and 1-297 are limited to irrigation of a combined total of 61,612.6 acres in a single irrigation season.
15. Use of water under this right is regulated by a watermaster with responsibility for the distribution of water among appropriators within a water district. At the time of this approval, this water right is within State Water District No. 120.



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Water Supply Bank Lease Contract No. 640

35-2543

Effective until December 31, 2017

This map depicts the point of diversion pursuant to the lease contract and is attached to the contract solely for illustrative purposes.



● Approved Lease Point of Diversion

▬ Townships

▬ PLS Sections

▬ Quarter Quarters



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DEPARTMENT OF
WATER RESOURCESAPPLICATION TO SELL OR LEASE A WATER RIGHT
TO THE WATER SUPPLY BANKDesignated Applicant Aberdeen-Springfield Canal Company
(Select one owner - see item 1A on the application)Water Right No. 35-2543
(One water right per application)

Is this application being submitted with a rental application as a lease/rental package?

Yes ☒ No ☐

This application must be prepared in accordance with the minimum requirement checklist below. Use this checklist to ensure all necessary documentation has been provided. This checklist is part of the lease application and must be included with the lease application. Applications that do not meet the minimum requirements will not be processed and may be returned or denied.

MINIMUM REQUIREMENT CHECKLIST

All items must be checked as either *Attached (Yes)* or *Not Applicable (N/A)*

Yes

- ☒ Completed *Application to Sell or Lease a Water Right to the Water Supply Bank*.
- ☒ Application filing fee of \$250.00 per water right. If you are submitting more than one lease application and the water rights have an overlapping, common place of use, or a common diversion rate or volume, the total fee for all water rights is \$500.00. For places of use, multiple water rights must be used to irrigate the same lands in order to qualify for the joint filing fee. Individual filing fees are required for water rights that share a common permissible place of use but which cover separate acres within the permissible place of use.
- ☒ Confirmation this form has been printed single sided, per requirement of the Water Supply Bank.

Attachment N/A Yes

- 1A ☐ ☒ Signatures and contact information for *all owners* of the water right to be leased or sold on this application.
- 1B ☒ ☐ An Internal Revenue Service (IRS) Form W-9 for the Designated Applicant.
- 1C ☒ ☐ *Notice of Change in Water Right Ownership* form (accessible from www.idwr.idaho.gov).
- 1D ☐ ☒ Contact information for an authorized representative and documentary proof they are authorized to represent the Designated Applicant on this application. If the Designated Applicant is a business, partnership, municipality, organization or association, include documents identifying officers authorized to sign or act on behalf of the entity.
- 2 ☐ ☒ Description of a water right portion offered to the Water Supply Bank.
- 3 ☒ ☐ A map that clearly outlines the specific location where irrigated acres will be dried up, or where a beneficial use of water will be suspended. You have the option of printing a map using the map tool on IDWR's website at: www.idwr.idaho.gov.
- 4A ☒ ☐ Written consent from irrigation district or water delivery company.
- 4G ☐ ☒ Evidence demonstrating the water right has not been forfeited pursuant to [Section 42-222\(2\), Idaho Code](#).

Department Use Only

Fee Amount \$ <u>250</u>	Received By: <u>gmk</u>	Date Received: <u>3-31-17</u>	Receipt # <u>C103296</u>
W-9 received? Yes ☐ No ☒ (Route W-9 to Fiscal)		Name on W-9:	

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WATER RESOURCE BOARD

APPLICATION TO SELL OR LEASE A WATER RIGHT
(Continued)

1. CONTACT INFORMATION

- A. This application must be completed by a Designated Applicant who is a current owner of the water right being sold or leased to the Water Supply Bank. If there are additional current owners, those individuals must authorize the Designated Applicant to represent them on this application by completing and signing Attachment 1A of this application package.

Designated Applicant Aberdeen-Springfield Canal Company

Mailing Address P.O. Box 857, Aberdeen, Idaho 83210-0857

Street

City

State

Zip Code

Email Address steveh@ascanal.org

Phone Number 208-397-4192

☒ The Designated Applicant is the sole owner of the water right being sold or leased to the Water Supply Bank.

OR

☐ The Designated Applicant is representing additional water right holders who have completed Attachment 1A.

- B. Has the Designated Applicant submitted an IRS Form W-9 to this Department within the last 2 years? Yes ☒ No ☐
If no, complete the form and attach to this application (Attachment 1B).

- C. Are all applicants on this form listed in IDWR's records as the current owners of the water right? Yes ☒ No ☐
If no, attach a *Notice of Change in Water Right Ownership* form along with the required documentation and fee (Attachment 1C).

- D. Is this application being completed by an authorized representative of the Designated Applicant? Yes ☒ No ☐
If yes, representatives (includes employees of Designated Applicant companies) must complete this section and submit documentary proof of their authority to represent the Designated Applicant (Attachment 1D).

Name of Representative Steven T. Howser Organization Aberdeen-Springfield Canal Company

Professional Title General Manager Email Address steveh@ascanal.org

Mailing Address P.O. Box 857, Aberdeen, ID 83210-0857 Phone Number 208-397-4192

☐ Send all correspondence for this application to the representative and not to the Designated Applicant.

OR

☒ Send original correspondence to the Designated Applicant and copies to the representative.

2. DESCRIPTION OF WATER RIGHT OFFERED TO THE BANK

☐ The full water right is being offered to the Bank.

OR

☒ A part of the water right is being offered to the Bank.

If a portion of the water right is being offered, complete Attachment 2.

3. MAP

Attach a map of the point(s) of diversion and place(s) of use proposed to be idled by this lease application. Make sure the idled place of use is outlined and annotated with legal land descriptions (Township, Range, Section and Quarter-Quarters) or with GPS coordinates. For irrigation purposes, mark the number of acres you desire to idle. If the water right proposed for lease is located within a permissible place of use (PPU) and portions of the PPU will continue to receive water from non-leased water rights, clearly outline on a map the acres within the PPU that will continue to be irrigated, as well as acres that will be idled during the lease term. Label the map Attachment 3.

No. C 6957		Due no later than May 31, 2015 Annual Report Form		2. Registered Agent and Address (NO PO BOX)	
Return to: SECRETARY OF STATE 700 WEST JEFFERSON PO BOX 83720 BOISE, ID 83720-0080 NO FILING FEE IF RECEIVED BY DUE DATE		1. Mailing Address: Correct in this box if needed. ABERDEEN-SPRINGFIELD CANAL COMPANY STEVEN T HOWSER PO BOX 857 144 SOUTH MAIN STREET ABERDEEN ID 83210-0857		STEVE HOWSER 144 S MAIN ABERDEEN 83210	
				3. <u>New</u> Registered Agent Signature:*	
4. Corporations: Enter Names and Business Addresses of President, Secretary, and Directors. Treasurer (optional).					
Office Held	Name	Street or PO Address	City	State	Country Postal Code
PRESIDENT	VAL WAHLEN	2700 W 1352 S	ABERDEEN	ID	USA 83210
DIRECTOR	CHARLES SHACKELFORD	PO BOX 310	ABERDEEN	ID	USA 83210
DIRECTOR	CLARENCE SCHROEDER	2308 MOSER RD	AMERICAN FALLS	ID	USA 83211
DIRECTOR	THAYNE DRISCOLL	PO BOX 334	AMERICAN FALLS	ID	USA 83211
DIRECTOR	RAY DUFFIN	3182 W 2000 S	ABERDEEN	ID	USA 83210
TREASURER	MELVIN CHAPPELL	2727 W 1500 S	ABERDEEN	ID	USA 83210
DIRECTOR	JOHN HOUGHLAND	PO BOX 97	SPRINGFIELD	ID	USA 83277
SECRETARY	STEVEN T HOWSER	408 SKYLINE DR.	POCATELLO	ID	USA 83204
DIRECTOR	ROBERT KNUDSEN JR	2700 W 2100 S	ABERDEEN	ID	USA 83210
VICE PRESIDENT	RON THOMPSON	4045 SOUTH 900 WEST	BLACKFOOT	ID	USA 83221
5. Organized Under the Laws of: ID C 6957		6. Annual Report must be signed.* Signature: Annette K. Johnson Name (type or print): Annette K. Johnson Date: 03/23/2015 Title: Office Manager			
Processed 03/23/2015		* Electronically provided signatures are accepted as original signatures.			

Attachment: Documentary Proof of Authority



IDAHO SECRETARY OF STATE

BUSINESS ENTITY ONLINE ANNUAL REPORTING Lawrence Denney, Secretary of State

Your Annual Report has now been recorded with the Idaho Secretary of State's Office.

PLEASE PRINT AND KEEP A COPY OF YOUR ANNUAL REPORT FOR YOUR RECORDS.

DO NOT MAIL YOUR ANNUAL REPORT TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE'S OFFICE!

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				3. New Registered Agent Signature:*			
4. Corporations: Enter Names and Business Addresses of President, Secretary, and Directors. Treasurer (optional).							
Office Held	Name	Street or PO Address	City	State	Country	Postal Code	
DIRECTOR	WILL A ROWE	3025 CEDAR LANE	AMERICAN FALLS	ID	USA	83211	
DIRECTOR	VAL WAHLEN	2700 W 1352 S	ABERDEEN	ID	USA	83210	
DIRECTOR	CHARLES SHACKELFORD	PO BOX 310	ABERDEEN	ID	USA	83210	
DIRECTOR	THAYNE DRISCOLL	PO BOX 334	AMERICAN FALLS	ID	USA	83211	
DIRECTOR	RAY DUFFIN	3182 W 2000 S	ABERDEEN	ID	USA	83210	
TREASURER	MELVIN CHAPPELL	2727 W 1500 S	ABERDEEN	ID	USA	83210	
VICE PRESIDENT	JOHN HOUGHLAND	PO BOX 97	SPRINGFIELD	ID	USA	83277	
SECRETARY	STEVEN T. HOWSER	408 SKYLINE DR.	POCATELLO	ID	USA	83204	
DIRECTOR	ROBERT KNUDSEN JR	2700 W 2100 S	ABERDEEN	ID	USA	83210	
PRESIDENT	RON THOMPSON	4045 SOUTH 900 WEST	BLACKFOOT	ID	USA	83221	
5. Organized Under the Laws of: ID C 6957		6. Annual Report must be signed.* Signature: Annette K. Johnson Date: 03/21/2017 Name (type or print): Annette K. Johnson Title: Office Manager					
Processed 03/21/2017		* Electronically provided signatures are accepted as original signatures.					

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Your "Annual Report" is now complete. Thank you! See you next year!

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3/21/2017

 3.1.1 Corporation
 Submitted 3/21/2017

STATE OF IDAHO
WATER RESOURCE BOARD

APPLICATION TO SELL OR LEASE A WATER RIGHT
(Continued)

4. GENERAL INFORMATION

- A. Is the diversion works or system owned or managed by an irrigation district or water delivery company? Yes ☒ No ☐
If yes, provide written consent from the company, corporation or irrigation district authorizing the proposed sale or lease (Attachment 4A).

If your water right is delivered through a canal, lateral or ditch operated by a canal company, irrigation district, or similar delivery entity, your lease request must include written consent from the company, district, or similar entity for your removal of water from its system pursuant to Section 42-108, Idaho Code and IDAPA WSB Rule 37.02.03.25.02e.

- B. Please provide a description of the current water diversion and delivery system.

Well located in NWNESW of Sec. 11, Twnshp 05S, Range 31 E.B.M., Bingham County, Idaho. Discharges
directly to canal

- C. Describe any other water rights used for the same purpose at the same place of use as the water right being offered to the Bank. 35-4246, 1-23B, 1-297

- D. Are any of the water rights identified in Section 4C stacked with the water right proposed for lease? Yes ☒ No ☐

Stacked water rights are used together to achieve a common beneficial use, such as irrigation of the same lands. Stacked water rights cannot be separated and must be jointly leased to the Water Supply Bank. Stacked water rights qualify for the multiple fee payment of \$500.

- E. Will the present place of use continue to receive water from any other source? Yes ☒ No ☐

If yes, explain the relationship between the different water sources and how enlargement of the authorized use will not occur if this water right is leased. This right is appurtenant to the entire place of use of Aberdeen-Springfield. A portion of this right will be leased to another Company owned well, so will continue to be used on lands within its POU.

- F. Identify annual volumes and/or rates of water diverted in the last 5 years to accomplish the beneficial use authorized by this water right. Well is used to supplement canal flow at 5 cfs. Annual average volume is less than 2,000 AF/year

- G. Has any portion of this water right undergone a period of five or more consecutive years of non-use? Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, describe the circumstances and attach evidence to demonstrate how the water right has not been lost through forfeiture (Attachment 4G). See Section 42-223, Idaho Code for exceptions to forfeiture. Your application may be denied if forfeiture concerns are not addressed.

- H. Is this water right involved in any other IDWR process, such as an application for transfer or a mitigation plan?

If yes, describe.

Yes ☐ No ☒

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APPLICATION TO SELL OR LEASE A WATER RIGHT
(Continued)

5. SALE/LEASE AGREEMENT

- A. Is the water right, or portion thereof, offered to the Idaho Water Resource Board (IWRB) for sale ☐ or lease ☐?

If lease, specify the years when the use of water will be suspended: 2017 to 2017 (maximum lease period 5 calendar years).
(Year) (Year)

- B. Show the minimum payment acceptable to the seller/lessor. The minimum payment may be shown as the "current rental rate" as established by the IWRB. Include the method of determining the minimum payment if other than the current rental rate.

No cost as Company will continue to use this right at a different p.o.d.

I hereby assert that the information contained in this application is true to the best of my knowledge, and that I have the authorities necessary to offer this water right for sale or lease to the Idaho Water Resource Board.

The Designated Applicant acknowledges the following:

1. Payment to the Designated Applicant is contingent upon the sale or rental of the water right from the Bank.
2. While a water right is in the Bank, the seller/lessor of the water right may not use the water right, even if the water right is not rented from the Bank.
3. A water right accepted into the Bank stays in the Bank until the Designated Applicant receives written confirmation from the Board or Water Supply Bank that the water right has been released from the Bank.
4. While a water right is in the Bank, forfeiture is stayed.
5. Acceptance of a water right into the Bank does not, in itself, confirm the validity of the water right or any element of the water right.

Signature of Designated Applicant

Printed Name

Date

Signature of Authorized Representative

Steven T. Howser

Printed Name

3/24/2017

Date

Mail to:
Idaho Department of Water Resources
P.O. Box 83720
Boise, ID 83720-0098

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Complete Attachment 2 if only a portion of the water right is offered to the Bank.

ATTACHMENT 2

DESCRIPTION OF A WATER RIGHT PORTION OFFERED TO THE WATER SUPPLY BANK

<u>1. Water Right Number</u>	<u>Nature of Use</u>	<u>Leased Rate</u> (cfs)	<u>Leased Volume</u> (af)	<u>Leased Acres</u> (ac)
35-2543	Irrigation	3.2	640	160
Total Amounts:		3.2	640	160

2. Source of water Ground Water tributary to

3. Point(s) of diversion:

Twp	Rge	Sec	Lot	¼	¼	¼	County
05S	31E	11		NW	NE	SW	Bingham

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Water Management Information System

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1999			0.00	
1998			0.00	
1997			0.00	



State of Idaho

DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES

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C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER
Governor

GARY SPACKMAN
Director

July 19, 2017

ABERDEEN SPRINGFIELD CANAL CO
PO BOX 857
ABERDEEN ID 83210

RE: WATER SUPPLY BANK LEASE CONTRACT FOR WATER RIGHT 35-2543

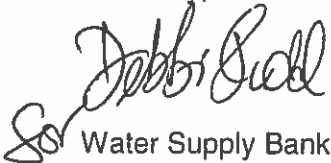
Dear Lessor:

Water right 35-2543 was leased into the Water Supply Bank (Bank) as of March 31, 2017, in accordance with the enclosed executed lease contract. **Your water right, as described on the lease contract, is considered leased into the Bank and should remain unused until it is formally released from the Bank.** More information and further restrictions placed on your water right while leased can be found in conditions of acceptance of the lease contract. Read the conditions of acceptance carefully.

The right will automatically be released from the Bank on **December 31, 2017**, unless the right is released earlier by the Water Resource Board (Board). On behalf of the Board, the Department of Water Resources (Department) can evaluate an early release of the lease contract upon your request. To release the water right from the Bank prior to the release date, submit a written request on the *Request to Release a Water Right from the Bank* form. This form is available on our public website at www.idwr.idaho.gov. **Please note your water right may not be available for immediate release if it has been rented or is being considered for a future rental. Furthermore, it is at the discretion of the Department whether or not a water right can be released early from a lease contract.**

If you have questions regarding this matter, please contact this office at 287-4800.

Sincerely,


Debby Sudd
Water Supply Bank

Enclosure: Executed Lease Contract

c: James Cefalo - IDWR Eastern Region/Water District 120
Aberdeen American Falls GWD