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Governor

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Director

March 10, 2016

LOUANN THOMAS
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MALAD, ID 85252

RE: Application for Transfer No(s). 80275

Dear Applicant(s):

Enclosed is a copy of a protest(s) filed against the approval of Transfer No(s). 80275. As part of the application process, the following options are available for the resolution of contested (protested) applications:

- Direct contact with the protestant(s) to determine the nature of the protest(s) and to attempt to resolve the protest. Sincere conversation between the parties prior to initiation of formal proceedings can often resolve protest(s).

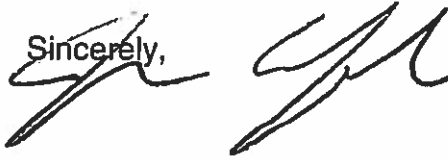
- Formal proceedings administered by the department pursuant to the transfer of a water right. A pre-hearing conference identifies the protestant's concerns and reviews the resolution possibilities with the parties. If the concerns cannot be resolved, a formal hearing will be scheduled.

- Mediation through a certified professional mediator can reduce costs and time that are associated with formal proceedings, present the opportunity to address non-water concerns, provide influence over a final settlement, and fast track the processing of the application if a mediated agreement is reached. If you are interested in this option, please contact our office for details.

A pre-hearing protest conference has been scheduled – see enclosed Notice of Pre-hearing Conference.

You may contact this office if you have any questions regarding the procedure discussed in this letter or additional information about water rights and other matters administered by this agency is available on the Internet at www.idwr.idaho.gov.

Sincerely,

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James Cefalo
Water Resources Program Manager

Enclosure(s) - Pre-Hearing Conference Notice
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