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VIA HAND DELIVERY

Director Gary Spackman
Idaho Water Center
322 East Front Street
Boise, ID 83702

Re: Inquiry Regarding Groundwater Moratorium – Basin 15
Pending Application for Permit No. 15-7394

Dear Director Spackman:

It is my understanding that the Idaho Department of Water Resources may be contemplating issuing a moratorium order relative to groundwater appropriation in Administrative Basin 15. My clients, Mr. and Mrs. Keetch, have a pending Application for Permit number 15-7394 ("Application") which is scheduled for a hearing at the end of August, 2015.

In order to advise my client and to fully evaluate their interests, I am requesting that you provide a written response regarding what process you anticipate will occur prior to issuing any moratorium order that would impact my client's pending Application. I am also requesting that you confirm in writing whether or not any publication of notice has occurred regarding the issuance of any moratorium order pertaining to Administrative Basin 15. Finally, I would request that if any such order is issued that Application 15-7394 be exempted from its provisions.

I appreciate your time and attention to this matter.

Sincerely,



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cc: James Cefalo, Hearing Officer – via email to sharla.cox@idwr.idaho.gov
File in Contested Case Permit 15-7394 – via email to sharla.cox@idwr.idaho.gov
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