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DEPARTMENT OF
WATER RESOURCES**WATER SUPPLY BANK LEASE CONTRACT**

This Lease Contract ("Lease") is effective January 1, 2015, between the Idaho Water Resource Board ("Board"), and

Lessor: ABERDEEN SPRINGFIELD CANAL COMPANY
PO BOX 857
ABERDEEN ID 83210
(208) 397-4192

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.
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

<u>Water Right</u>	<u>Lease Rate</u>	<u>Lease Volume</u>	<u>Total Lease Acres</u>
35-2543	3.00 CFS	1273.5 AF	318.4 AC
Combined Lease Totals:	3.00 CFS	1273.5 AF	318.4 AC

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:** This Lease shall take effect when both parties have signed it and shall continue in effect until December 31, 2015.
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.
5. **DUPLICATE ORIGINAL:** This Lease is executed in duplicate. Each of the documents with an original signature of each party shall be an original.

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

signatures.

ABERDEEN SPRINGFIELD CANAL COMPANY
PO BOX 857
ABERDEEN ID 83210

By 
Printed Name Steven T. Howser

Date 7/9/2015
Title General Manager / Secretary

IDAHO WATER RESOURCE BOARD
322 East Front Street
P.O. Box 83720
Boise, ID 83720-9098

By 
Brian Patton, Acting Administrator
Idaho Water Resource Board

Date July 17, 2015

Lease approved by IDWR 

Date 7/17/2015

The water right or portion thereof leased to the bank is described as follows:

Priority Date: 8/7/1958

<u>BENEFICIAL USE</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Diversion Rate</u>	<u>Volume</u>
IRRIGATION	04/01	to 10/31	3.00 CFS	1273.5 AF
		Total:	3.00 CFS	1273.5 AF

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

Aberdeen Springfield Canal Company Service Area (See Condition #13)

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, the lease term expires, or upon request from the lessor to change the term of the lease, 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.
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.
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.
 - b. If a change in ownership is processed by the Department during a rental season, rental payment will be made to the person or entity who is the lessor of record at the beginning of that rental season.
 - c. New lessor(s) of record will receive payment after the following rental season.
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. Use of water under this right will be 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.
13. Through execution of this lease, the remaining use of water right 35-2543 is reduced by 1273.5 AF, 318.4 acres and 3.0 cfs. The remaining portion of water right 35-2543 not lease to the Bank is limited to a diversion rate of 3.0 cfs and 1273.5 AF for the irrigation of 318.4 acres within the boundaries of Aberdeen Springfield Canal Company, pursuant to Section 42-219 Idaho Code.
14. The unleased portions of the rights listed below are limited to the irrigation of a combined total of 61,454.2 acres in a single irrigation season. Combined Right Nos: 1-23B, 1-297, 35-2543, and 35-4246.

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DEPARTMENT OF
WATER RESOURCES

APPLICATION TO SELL OR LEASE A WATER RIGHT TO THE WATER SUPPLY BANK

An application to lease or sell a water right into the Water Supply Bank must be prepared in accordance with the minimum requirements listed below to be acceptable for processing by the Department. 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. **Incomplete applications will be returned to applicants for completion.**

Designated Applicant Aberdeen-Springfield Canal Company
(Select one owner – see item 1A on the application)

Water Right No. 35-2543
(One water right per application)

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

YES

- ☒ Completed *Water Supply Bank Lease or Sale Application Checklist* (this form).
- ☒ Completed *Application to Sell or Lease a Water Right to the Water Supply Bank* (pages 2-3).
- ☒ 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.

Attachment N/A YES

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| 1A | ☐ | ☒ | Contact information for all owners of the water right that is being leased or sold on this application. |
| 1B | | ☒ | An <u>Internal Revenue Service (IRS) Form W-9</u> for the Designated Applicant. |
| 1C | ☒ | ☐ | <i>Notice of Change in Water Right Ownership</i> form (accessible from www.idwr.idaho.gov). |
| 1D | ☒ | ☐ | Written consent from irrigation district or water delivery company. |
| 1E | ☒ | ☐ | 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. |
| 3E | ☐ | ☒ | Evidence demonstrating that a water right has not been lost through abandonment or forfeiture pursuant to <u>Section 42-222(2), Idaho Code</u> . |
| 4 | N/A | ☐ | 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 . |

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Fee Amount \$ <u>250.00</u>	Received By: <u>di</u>	Date Received: <u>6-23-15</u>	Receipt # <u>C100663</u>
W-9 received? Yes ☒ No ☐ (Route W-9 to Fiscal)		Name on W-9 <u>Aberdeen-Springfield Canal Company</u>	

APPLICATION TO SELL OR LEASE A WATER RIGHT TO THE WATER SUPPLY BANK

1. CONTACT INFORMATION

- A. An application to sell or lease a water right to the Water Supply Bank must be completed by a Designated Applicant who is a recognized owner of the water right being sold or leased to the Water Supply Bank. If there are additional owners recorded for the property to which the water right is appurtenant, 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 Compar Email Address steveh@ascanal.org

Mailing Address P.O. Box 857, Aberdeen, ID 83210 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 completed an IRS Form W-9 (Attachment 1B)? Yes ☐ No ☐

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 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 1D).

E. 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 1E).

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 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

Water Right Number 35-2543 ☐ 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 a water right is being offered, complete Attachment 2)

3. GENERAL INFORMATION

- A. Please provide a description of the current water diversion system.

Well

- B. 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.
1-23B, 1-297, 35-4246

- C. Are any of the water rights identified in question 3B stacked with the water right proposed for lease? Yes ☒ No ☐

Stacked water rights are water rights that are utilized 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.

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

If yes, describe. The present place of use will continue to receive water from Aberdeen-Springfield Canal Company's other surface and ground water rights.

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

If yes, describe and attach Watermaster records or other evidence to demonstrate that the water right has not been lost through abandonment or forfeiture pursuant to Section 42-222(2), Idaho Code.

F. Is this water right involved in any other IDWR process such as an application for transfer or a mitigation plan? Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, describe. _____

4. MAP

Plat map, survey map, or aerial photograph clearly showing the specific acres proposed to be idled by this lease application.

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: 2015 to 2015 (maximum lease period 5 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.

This water will be provided to the lessee at no cost.

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 provisions are stayed.
5. Acceptance of a water right into the Bank does not, in itself, confirm the validity of the water right or any elements of the water right.



Signature of Designated Applicant

Steven T. Howser, General Manager 6/18/2015

Printed Name

Date

Signature of Authorized Representative

Printed Name

Date

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

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

2. Source of water ground water tributary to _____
3. Point(s) of diversion: _____

[illegible]

- [illegible]

Attachment 2



State of Idaho

DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES

322 East Front Street • P.O. Box 83720 • Boise, Idaho 83720-0098

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GARY SPACKMAN
Director

C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER
Governor

July 20, 2015

ABERDEEN SPRINGFIELD CANAL CO

PO BOX 857

ABERDEEN ID 83210-0857

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

Dear Lessor:

Water Right **35-2543** was leased into the Water Supply Bank on January 1, 2015 in accordance with the executed original Lease Contract enclosed. **Your water rights as described on the Lease Contract are considered leased into the Bank and should remain unused until they are formally released from the Bank.**

The rights will automatically be released from the Bank on **December 31, 2015**, unless the rights are released earlier by the Board, or upon your request. **Please note your rights may not be available for immediate release if they have been rented.** To release the 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 from our public website at www.idwr.idaho.gov.

Please review the conditions of acceptance listed on the Lease Contract, including #3 which says:

"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."

If you have questions regarding this matter, please contact me at 287-4918.

Sincerely,

James Cefalo - Remington Buyer

Water Supply Bank Coordinator

Enclosure: Executed Lease Contract
Receipt # C100663

c: James Cefalo – IDWR Eastern Region / Water District #120

MEMORANDUM

To: Water Right No(s). 35-2543
From: Remington Buyer
Date: June 29, 2015
Re: Review of Applications to Lease Water Rights to the State Water Supply Bank

PURPOSE/NARRATIVE: The Department received applications to water right 35-2543 into the Water Supply Bank so that it could be rented back out by the lessor (Aberdeen Springfield Canal Company) in order to add a point of diversion to their water right, in order to make water available for use by a canal company share holder, Mr. Jeff Duffin.

AUTHORITY TO FILE: This application is signed by Steve Howser, General Manager of ASCC. No concerns about authority to file this application.

WATER RIGHT VALIDITY: Water right 35-2543 has been leased to Bank numerous times during the past few years, no concerns about forfeiture or abandonment.

INJURY TO OTHER WATER RIGHTS: No injury is apparent through the lease, proper review of the rental request will guard against injury.

ENLARGEMENT OF USE: No enlargement is evident through the lease alone however there is a discrepancy between the decreed elements of the water right (flow rate and volume) and the proportionate balance of elements proposed for lease into the Bank. The partial decree for this right authorizes 6 cfs and 2547 AF of water. The lessor has proposed to lease exactly half the flow into the Bank but slightly more than half (50.1%) of the acre foot volume. To avoid enlargement of the right, proportionate elements of the right will be maintained and exactly half of the water right will be leased into the Bank.

LOCAL PUBLIC INTEREST: Review staff has no information to suggest this application is inconsistent with the local public interest.

BENEFICIAL USE/CONSERVATION OF WATER RESOURCES: The lease appears consistent with the conservation of water resources in Idaho.

DEPARTMENT STAFF OR WATERMASTER COMMENTS: The Watermaster for Water District 120, IDWR Eastern Region staff member James Cefalo is aware of and approves of the lease of this water right into the Water Supply Bank.