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James Cefalo
Idaho Department of Water Resources (IDWR)
Eastern Regional Office
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Idaho Falls, Idaho 83402-1718

Dear Mr. Cefalo:

**RE: Withdrawal of Protest
Application for Permit #29-14117 f/b Tatar**

By this letter, I state that I have the authority to act on behalf of the United States Department of Interior, Bureau of Land Management (USDI/BLM), with myself as its agent, to the matters discussed herein. BLM protested because the Application for Permit ("Application") described a water source that exists on federal public land for which there was no authorization for access.

IDWR prepared a Draft Permit to Appropriate Water dated 05/06/2015 that makes several changes that taken together resolve BLM's protest: (1) Changing the source description from "Temporary Spring" (which is a water source on BLM land) to "Unnamed Stream" (which is intended on privately owned land); (2) the imposition of several conditions (i.e. condition #6, 7 and 8) making it clear that developing of the permit will only involve and affect lands owned privately by the applicant; and (3) the new map moving the dot for the location of the Point of Diversion (POD) off of the trespass ditch.

Provided that IDWR issues an Approved Permit consistent with the 05/06/2015 Draft Permit prepared by IDWR, then BLM hereby withdraws its protest of the Application so that the permitting process may continue. If there are questions regarding any statements above, please do not hesitate to contact me at (208) 373-3828 or at the address provided above.

Sincerely,

Fredric W. Price
Water Rights Specialist (ID-933b)

cc:
Stephen Anderson (protestant)
T. J. Budge (attorney for applicant)