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December 8, 2010

Ted Sorenson
Reno Ditch Company
5203 South 11th East
Idaho Falls, ID 83404

Re: Transfer Applications 72493 and 72494

Dear Mr. Sorenson,

On December 15, 2005, you filed two applications for transfer seeking to add points of diversion to a number of ground water rights (32-7025, 32-10127, 32-2100, and 32-10154). The new ground water wells would discharge water into Birch Creek. The water would then be conveyed through the Reno Ditch system. Shortly after the applications were filed, you asked the department to hold-off on processing the transfers to allow time to conduct pump tests to determine whether water was available at the proposed sites and the extent of impacts to local ground water wells. An initial study completed by Brockway Engineering states that local ground water wells could be impacted.

Because the transfers had been pending before the department for four years, in fall 2009 Dave Carlson asked you to withdraw the transfers and re-file them when you were prepared to move forward with the project. In a letter dated January 19, 2010, you requested one more year to complete the pump tests. It appears that the pump tests were not performed in 2010 as anticipated.

We are again asking you to consider withdrawing the transfers until you are in a position to actively pursue their approval. Because the transfers were never advertised, you are entitled to a refund of the \$820.00 filing fee. A refund will be issued upon receipt of the withdrawal forms. If we do not receive a signed withdrawal within 30 days, we will take steps to officially reject the transfers without prejudice based on the fact that the mitigation plan is incomplete. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,

James Cefalo
Water Resources Program Manager
IDWR – Eastern Region

Encl: Withdrawal of Transfer Form

WITHDRAWAL
OF
APPLICATION FOR TRANSFER OF WATER RIGHT(S)

I/We, Ted Sorenson ~~and~~ _____,
(Applicant's Printed Name) (Applicant's Printed Name)
on behalf of Birch Creek Ranches, L LaVar Newman, and Reno Ditch Company

(Applicant's Printed Name) ~~and~~ _____,
(Applicant's Printed Name) (Applicant's Printed Name)
hereby withdraw our Application for Transfer No. 72493 and 72494 of Water Right
No(s). 32-7025, 32-10127, 32-2100, and 32-10154.

Signed this _____ day of _____, 20 _____.

(Signature/Title of Applicant)

(Signature/Title of Applicant)

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(Signature/Title of Applicant)

★ Request refund on
receipt E031500