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Pam Skaggs
Attn: Cherie Palmer
Water Supply Bank
Idaho Department of Water Resources
Idaho Water Supply Bank
P.O. Box 83720
Boise, ID 83720-0098

Re: Lance Funk Rentals

Dear Mrs. Skaggs:

Attached to this letter is a lease application for 35-2824 signed by Kip and Brandi Hunter. The lease application proposes to lease all 121.0 acres of 35-2824 to the Water Supply Bank for one year.

The previous owner of this farm utilized 35-2824 as the primary water source for the 121.0 acres of low managed pasture grass. The partial decree of water right 35-2824 states, "*Use of this water right is combined with water from the Aberdeen Springfield Canal Co.*". The previous owner stopped diverting Aberdeen Springfield Canal share at some point in time before 2001 due to the high quantity of weed seeds in the canal water and the inability of the canal system to provide an adequate water supply for irrigation due canal maintenance issues. The canal diversion was closed and very little if any canal water was applied to the 121.0 acres. However, the previous owner always paid his annual fees for canal shares for the 121.0 acres.

The previous owner planted the farm into pasture grass or grain and flood irrigated the 121.0 acres. The pasture area was irrigated by groundwater when natural precipitation was insufficient to provide adequate irrigation to sustain the grazing need for the cattle or low water demanding crops. The well operated at a design flow of 900 gpm and discharge into pond. The water was then gravity delivered through a series of ditches through out the farm.

In the winter of 2009 the farm and water right was sold to Kip and Brandi Hunter. The new owners disconnected the ground water pump and made drastic improvements to the water distribution system. The Aberdeen Spring Field diversion structure was updated and canal water was diverted into a newly constructed pond in 2010. The new pond is located near the center tower of the new wiper pivot and is visible in a 2011 aerial photograph. A

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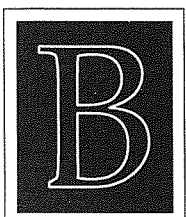
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new booster pump was installed in the pond, a wiper pivot, main lines and wheel lines were installed to deliver water to the 121.0 acres (See Rain for Rent Invoice).

Aberdeen Springfield Canal water was now a reliable and clean source of water, Kip and Brandi Hunter decided to utilize the resources of the farm and sell or lease 35-2824 as a primary water right. Water right 35-2824 was leased to the Idaho Water Supply Bank and rented as primary ground water during the 2012 irrigation season.

A lease and rental for the entire 121.0 acres was submitted to IDWR for the 2013 irrigation season but was denied by IDWR because it was determined that 35-2824 was supplemental to Aberdeen Springfield Canal water.

Idaho Department of Water Resources Transfer Processing Memo No. 24 states *"to determine the historic consumptive use under a supplemental right, the average annual historic consumptive use, over an appropriately representative time period not less than five years but that may require greater than five years, will be the basis for the volume available for transfer."* The IDWR recommendation for the average consumptive use analysis for 35-2824 is from 2001 through 2011.

Based on the power records and characteristics of the well, an average of 164.06 acre feet of ground water was pumped annually between 2001 and 2011. The volume of 164.06 acre feet is sufficient to provide primary ground water to 41.0 acres at 4 acre feet per acre.

A new rental is being submitted to the Idaho Water Supply Bank for Lance and Lisa Funk. The rental is for the primary 41.0 acres of 35-2824. The proposed rental of 41.0 acres will be for the 2013 irrigation season. There is an existing POD at the proposed place of use. The ESPA model analysis indicated that no mitigation is required for the one year rental.

The precipitation deficit for cold pack potatoes at the Aberdeen AgriMet – ABEI station is 577 mm or 1.89 feet of water per acre per year. With an irrigation efficiency of 75%, the required volume of water required to grow cold pack potatoes is 2.52 feet of water per acre per year. The rental of 164.0 acre feet will be sufficient to irrigate 41.0 acres of potatoes.

A copy of the signature page for the rental application is being submitted with this letter. The original signed signature page will be submitted to the Water Supply Bank when Brockway Engineering receives it.

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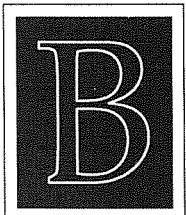
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Please contact me regarding any questions that you may have for the submitted lease application, rental application or volume pumped analysis.

Sincerely,



Greg Sullivan, M.S.

Cc: Lance Funk, Kip Hunter

Enc: Lease Application, Rental Application, Aerial Maps, ESPA Model Analysis, Rain for Rent Invoice, Rental Analysis Spreadsheet, Hydro Online Data, Pump Plate Picture, Pump Curve, Friction Loss Tables, Well Log, Brockway Engineering Check # 11462 for \$250.00

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