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Mahogany Ridge Dairy Farm, LLC
c/o Garth Boehme
PO Box 14
799 Thomas Fork Lane
Geneva, ID 83238

RE: Notice of Change in Water Right Ownership for Rights 11-124, 11-129, 11-142, and 11-143

Dear Mr. Boehme:

In September of this year, I sent a letter updating you on the status of an ownership change filed in 2009 for four water rights on the Thomas Fork. The letter stated that the ownership change for water right 11-124 had been completed. 11-124 is now listed in the name of Mahogany Ridge Dairy Farm. The other three water rights (11-129, 11-142 and 11-143) would need to be split, because Mahogany did not own all of the acres under the water rights.

The fee for updating a water right that must be split into two or more pieces is \$100 per right. Splitting water rights 11-129, 11-142, and 11-143 equates to a filing fee of \$300. Your original ownership change only included a filing fee of \$100. \$25 of this was dedicated to updating the ownership of right 11-124, leaving \$75 for the other three rights. The September 2011 letter asked you to provide an additional \$225 to cover the remaining fees associated with the water right splits.

We discovered that Derek and Shawnee Boehme were entitled to the other portion of rights 11-142 and 11-143. I suggested dividing the cost of the ownership split equally, meaning they would cover \$50 per split right and you would cover the other \$50 per split right. In September, Derek and Shawnee Boehme filed an ownership change for their portion of rights 11-142 and 11-143. They included a check covering \$50 towards the split of these two rights.

At this point, I have decided to dedicate your remaining \$75 to finalizing the ownership changes on water rights 11-142 and 11-143. Updated water right reports listing Mahogany as the current owner are enclosed. **The ownership of right 11-129 has not been updated.** Feel free to file an ownership change for 11-129 when you are able to cover the \$100 filing fee associated with splitting that right. Please contact me with any questions.

Sincerely,

James Cefalo
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