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RE: Notice of Change in Water Right Ownership

Dear Mr. & Mrs. True:

This letter is being sent to you to let you know the current status of the Notice of Change of Water Right Ownership which you submitted to the department on May 17, 2011. I was able to update the ownership for water rights 65-3338 and 65-3339 and have enclosed water right reports for your convenience.

Also enclosed is my response to the Notice of Abandonment of Water Right submitted by Larry Sawyer for water rights 65-3336 and 65-3337. Since there are still some questions as to what the Sawyers really intended, I am not able to move forward with the ownership change.

If the Sawyers want to keep their portion of the water right, you will need to submit the additional fee of \$150 to divide the water rights. I have given the Sawyers 30 days to respond to my query. Therefore, I will hold your Notice of Change in Water Right Ownership for 60 days.

Updating the ownership record for a water right does not reconfirm the validity of the right. When processing an ownership change notice, the department does not review the history of water use to determine if the right has been forfeited through five years or more of non-use. To read more about water right forfeiture, including how to protect a water right from forfeiture, please see Sections 42-222 and 42-223, Idaho Code.

Section 42-248, Idaho Code, requires you or the owner of this water right to maintain current ownership and address records on file with the department. Forms to file a change of ownership of a water right and/or a change in the address of the water right owner are available from any department office, or at the department's website at: www.idwr.idaho.gov.

Please feel free to contact this office if you have any questions regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

Emalee Rushing
Office Services Supervisor

Enclosures