



## State of Idaho

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January 7, 2010

LORI GRAVES  
SPF WATER ENGINEERING LLC  
300 E MALLARD DR STE 350  
BOISE ID 83706

Re: Application 63-32238 Refund Request

Dear Lori:

The request to refund \$550 for this application was received today. The fee for the original application was applied to statewide advertising and related work required for the 30 cfs proposal (five newspapers in this case). Sections 42-202(8) and 42-221, Idaho Code, discuss fees for applications based on the amount of water identified in an application. The department is directed to apply the fees to advertising expenses and related costs of processing described in Title 42, Chapter 2 of the code. This includes the protest process and so forth. In other words, fees are not only based on legal notice expenses.

The department can consider refunds for applications that have not been advertised. The department cannot issue refunds for applications that have been advertised. In this case, department expenses for this application have exceeded the original fee paid. A refund is not warranted.

Unfortunately, the refund request cannot be approved.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Steve Lester". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Steve" and last name "Lester" clearly distinguishable.

Steve Lester  
Water Rights Supervisor