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November 10, 2008

Al and Martha Worman
6884 W Warren Spur Rd
Melba, ID 83641

Re: ~~Contested Applications for Permit No. 65-32563~~
Contested Application for Transfer No. 73901

Dear Protestant:

This office acknowledges receipt of your protest to the issuance of a permit pursuant to the above referenced application. As part of the application process, the following are options available for resolution of contested (protested) applications:

-Direct contact with the applicant to determine what is being proposed in the application and the parties attempt to resolve the protest. Sincere conversation between the parties prior to initiation of formal proceedings can often resolve protest(s).

-Formal Proceedings a Department prehearing conference, hearing through the water appropriation statute/rule process. A prehearing conference identifies the protest issues and reviews the resolution possibilities with the parties. If the issues can not be resolved, a formal hearing is scheduled.

-Mediation through a certified professional mediator. The advantages can include: reduced costs and time that are associated with formal proceedings, the ability to address non-water concerns, more influence over a final settlement, and fast track processing by the Department for parties reaching a mediated agreement. If you are interested in this option, please contact our office for further details.

Please consider with the applicant the best options for resolution of the protested application. If no option response is received, a prehearing protest conference will be held according to the attached notice.

If you would like additional information, or need to further discuss the process, feel free to contact me at the Western Regional Office, phone 334-2190.

Sincerely,

for 

JOHN WESTRA
Western Regional Manager

Cc: Jerry and Mary Lou Tlucek
Scott Campbell, Attny
Attachment: Applicant Letter