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August 26, 2008

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Re: Application for Transfer No. 69327, Water Right No. 63-9276

Dear Maria:

The transfer application proposes to change the above referenced water right from the Gamble Well to the Warm Springs Golf Course Well for continued municipal use. The Gamble Well is a low temperature geothermal well, while the other well involves a cold water source.

The two ground water sources are considered separate unless a hydraulic connection can be shown between them. It might be possible to demonstrate that connection since the Gamble Well involves 86 degree Fahrenheit ground water, slightly over the 85 degree minimum definition for a low temperature geothermal source. The application can be approved based on reasonable documentation of communication between the two sources of water.

Please submit the requested information for application processing to continue. You may seek additional time to provide the information by making a written request to delay processing. Your written response including the requested information, or a request for more time to seek the information, must be received within ninety (90) days.

Without a timely reply, IDWR will issue a preliminary order to deny the application. A denied application cannot generally be re-filed for substantially the same proposal.

An alternative approach is to consider filing an Application for Permit for a new water right from the cold water source. This would be a viable option if the golf course well does not involve water shallower than 200 feet (water bearing zone 200 feet or deeper). Ground water shallower than 200 feet and upstream from Star is considered tributary to the fully appropriated reach of the Boise River. A new consumptive use water right from that tributary ground water would need to be based on mitigation for the consumptive use or on

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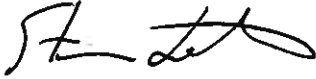
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credible information showing the new use would not affect the river water supply.

Please let me know if you need more information. Thank you for your attention to these matters.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Steve Lester', with a stylized, cursive script.

Steve Lester

Water Rights Supervisor