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January 21, 2009

Mr. David R. Tuthill, Jr., Ph.D.
Director
Idaho Department of Water Resources
PO Box 32720
Boise ID 83720-0098

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

Dear Mr. Tuthill,

The City of Boise's Department of Parks & Recreation respectfully requests that you intervene in the above-referenced matter and approve the Application for Transfer.

The Department of Parks & Recreation submitted this application in 2001. Protest issues have been resolved, other (senior) permits have been issued on the same well, and this transfer will move the water right from a warm water well to a cold water source. Yet IDWR staff has insisted on imposing costly and impossible-to-meet Conditions of Approval – in effect denying approval of the application.

The Department is finalizing the design work for a long-planned upgrade to Warm Springs Golf Course and significant taxpayer dollars are at stake; without reasonable Conditions, the Department will be forced to use an alternative water source, adding initial and ongoing costs and inefficiencies to this public park project.

The Department has submitted an email request for approval to IDWR's regional staff, requesting immediate approval of the application. IDWR staff has indicated that an internal meeting is set for January 30, 2009. It is our hope that you will provide clear direction to your staff to approve this application immediately, without the burden of the afore-proposed Conditions.

Thank you very much for your assistance. Please contact our offices at your earliest convenience if we can provide any additional information.

Sincerely,

James R. Hall, Director

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cc: Maria Minicucci, Property Administrator
Jade Riley, Mayor's Office
Steve Lester, IDWR Western Region Office



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