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RE: APPLICATION FOR TRANSFER FOR CITY OF CAMBRIDGE

Dear Mr. Duncan:

Enclosed is a copy of the water right file you requested for water right 67-2306. I have highlighted the portion of the Proof of Beneficial Use report that states that the well drilled for water right 67-2306 replaced the well used by City of Cambridge from 1935 to 1967 when the proof was filed.

Water right 67-10970 is a beneficial use claim in the Snake River Basin Adjudication, and is associated with the current transfer the City of Cambridge has on file in my office. It looks as though you could prove a priority date of 1935 for water right 67-10970 from the statement on Proof of Beneficial Use report on water right 67-2306. However, from this statement, it does appear that any flow rate you can prove was used under 67-10970 would need to be removed from 67-2306, which is an already existing water right license. The Proof report suggests that the well drilled under 67-2306 replaced the well for 67-10970, which subsequently abandoned. It looks as though 3.00 cfs is all that has ever been diverted by the City of Cambridge for Municipal use.

We will need to attain all of the information needed to verify the flow rate and priority date for 67-10970 for an adjudication review of the right, so the transfer on file can properly reflect the City of Cambridge's water rights. If 67-2306 needs to be reduced, it will need to be done in the adjudication recommendation process, since it has already undergone the transfer review. Either way, the City of Cambridge will need to get their adjudication claims rectified before we can continue with this transfer.

The Department will hold further processing of your application for 30 days to allow submittal of the required information. Additional time may be granted by the Department upon receipt of a written request and sufficient justification for an extension. After that time, if adequate information is not received, the Department will issue a preliminary order to reject or deny the application.

If you have any questions or concerns please contact me at the above address.

Respectfully,

Daniel A. Nelson
Sr. Water Right Agent