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RE: Application for Permit # 77-14145

Dear Mr Spackman

I received your letter dated March 4, 2003 regarding the above referenced application. Based on my recent conversations with USFS staff, and our recognition of the complexity of the issues raised for the USFS, the University of Idaho is requesting that IDWR grant the University and USFS an additional six months to work through the issues that are of concern to that agency. The University is hopeful that with this additional time, USFS concerns can be addressed and the University can proceed with its application to IDWR without protest from the USFS.

I will continue to update your Senior Water Right Agent, Dan Nelson regarding our progress and will notify both of you once we have reached an understanding with the USFS.

If you have any questions or need additional information, you can reach me at the address above, phone me at 208-885-6468, or email me at gerardb@uidaho.edu.

Sincerely,



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Real Estate Officer

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