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Director

Regents of The University of Idaho
C/O Gerald Billington
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RE: Application for Permit #77-14145

Dear Mr. Billington:

In August 2002, the University filed with our Department Application for Permit #77-14145 to appropriate water from Pioneer Creek in the Salmon River drainage, copy attached. The application was protested by the Forest Service. Last written communication regarding your application came from the Forest Service on March 17, 2003. Several pending issues were discussed in the letter including approvals from FERC, NEPA, and the Forest Service.

Our office is in the process of reviewing and updating applications that have been held without action for an extended period. If you still plan to develop the project as identified, and wish the application continued to be held, please advise this office of your intentions. Also, provide information/correspondence showing due diligence and progress in obtaining the necessary approvals and resolution of the issues.

OR

Sign and return the enclosed application withdrawal if the project is going to be abandon.

Please respond by October 1, 2005. If no response is received, the Department will consider voiding the application pursuant to Idaho Code §42-204.

Should you have any questions please contact me at the Western Regional Office, 334-2190.

Sincerely,

John Westra
Western Regional Manager.

Enclosure.