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***RE: APPLICATION FOR PERMIT AND TANSFER FOR PIONEER
MOBILE HOME PARK***

Dear Mr. and Ms. Johnson:

On Friday, 1/27/2006, you requested an update on the water right transfer and application for permit that you submitted on behalf of the Pioneer Mobile Home Park. These applications are still being processed as a package. This means that we will hold both applications until they are ready to advertise.

The transfer is the application that is currently causing the delay. Our office has submitted the application to our State Office staff to review the conditions placed on the water right to ensure they meet with statewide standards. Your transfer is currently 4th in line of applications from our region, and there are 4 other regions. We cannot give a definite timetable until the applications have been sent to advertising due to the schedules and backlogs of various staff.

Once the transfer application is released for advertising, it should take approximately 8 weeks to advertise the application. This can vary by a few weeks depending on newspaper schedules and the return of affidavits of advertising. If the transfer and application for permit are not protested, then the application is sent to the State Office for approval/denial. Once sent to the State Office, they usually send out the approval/ denial letters within a couple of days. If the application is protested, then the time frame for these two applications will skewed, and it is impossible to tell how long it will take to settle the matter. Protests are generally settled within a few months up to a few years depending on the issues involved.

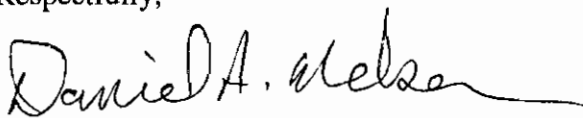
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I cannot determine if your applications will be protested or not at this point. There is nothing to indicate that the applications will be protested, however, I don't have intimate knowledge of the local issues or politics for your area. It does appear as though our agency intends to approve the applications with basic water right conditions if it isn't protested.

I hope that this letter suits your needs. Determining a timeline or guaranteeing an approval of any application before the process is complete is very difficult and not recommended. Unfortunately, I cannot give you more information than is state above at this point. More will be known once the protest period for the application is complete.

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

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Daniel A. Nelson". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal line extending from the end of the name.

Daniel A. Nelson
Sr. Water Right Agent