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RE: APPLICATION FOR PERMIT NO. 45-07745

Gentlemen::

Enclosed are copies of protests filed against the above referenced application. The Department suggests you contact the protestant(s) directly to determine the exact nature of the protest(s) and, if possible, to resolve the matter without action by the Department.

Please note that your application is considered a contested case and subject to the Rules of Procedure adopted by the Department.

If you need a copy of these rules, please contact this office. The Rules of Procedure are also available on the Internet by using the IDWR Homepage at the following electronic address:

<http://www.idwr.state.id.us/apa/idapa37/0101.htm>

The attachment to this letter describes the issues which the Department must consider in taking action on an application. It also gives a brief description of the conference and hearing procedure followed by the Department in resolving protested applications.

If you wish to proceed with a Pre-hearing Conference &/or formal Hearing, please notify this office. If you have any questions or if this office can be of further assistance, please feel free to contact us.

Very truly yours,

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Enclosure(s)