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RE: APPLICATION TO LEASE PART OF WATER RIGHT NOS. 61-7253B AND 61-7420 TO THE WATER SUPPLY BANK

Dear Mr. Van Grouw:

The department has completed its review of the Applications to Sell or Lease Water Rights to the Water Supply Bank ("bank") that you submitted to this office. Please consider that a portion of irrigation use under both rights, and all of the stockwater and commercial uses under water right no. 61-7253B are accepted into the bank.

Several items to keep in mind in connection with the lease of a water right to the bank are as follows:

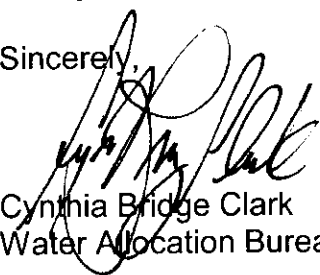
1. There is no rental payment to the owner of the water right if the right or a part thereof is not rented from the bank.
2. While a right is in the bank, the owner of the right may not use the right even if the right is not rented.
3. The owner must comply with the conditions of the water rights with regard to the portion of the rights withheld from the bank.
4. A right accepted into the bank stays in the bank until the Board releases it or until the lease term expires.
5. While a water right is in the bank, forfeiture provisions are stayed.
6. Acceptance of a right into the bank does not, in itself, confirm the validity of the right or any elements of the water right.
7. The lessor may be required to provide evidence of availability of the surface water source prior to rental of the right.

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If you have questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,



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