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February 23, 2005

Harold Busmann
4775N 1115E
Buhl, ID 83316

RE: Water Right Permit 47-7841

Dear Mr. Busmann:

Our office has recently been reviewing old un-licensed water permits in an effort to finalize matters prior to submission of reports to the Snake River Basin Adjudication Court.

In our review we find that Richard Kopp (a previous owner to property near Banbury Hot Springs that we now understand you own) filed a water right permit in 1982 for development of a hot water well. *(Please find enclosed a printout of the permit)* On 9/18/1985 Mr. Kopp filed proof that he was completed with his development and on 10/1/1986 IDWR conducted a field investigation for licensing purposes.

The field exam found 0.03 cfs was being diverted from the well into the house for domestic and heating purposes then routed to a swimming pool then discharged into the Snake River.

Since Mr. Kopp never claimed the right in the Snake River Basin Adjudication, a license for the water right has yet to be issued.

The purpose of this letter is to inform you of the status of permit 47-7841 which you may have an interest. Actions you might consider are:

-File an SRBA claim. *(This will preserve the water right of record).*

Or

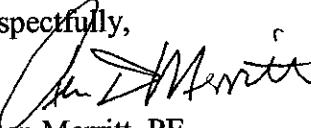
-Do nothing. *(If this option is taken the use of the well will legally be limited to 13,000 gallons per day in combination with all other domestic type uses and will not be of record.)*

We would appreciate hearing from you within the next 30 days to notify us as to what action you will be taking.

Please note that if you do nothing the license for the permit will be issued in Kopp's name; however, the SRBA court will find the right unclaimed. The result will be that the right will be lost for failure to claim it in the SRBA.

Please contact me or Doug Jones at this office or Shelley Keen (208-287-4947) if you have questions.

Respectfully,



Allen Merritt, PE
Southern Region Manager

CC: Doug Jones (SRBA)
Shelley Keen (Permits)