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900 N. Skyline Dr., Ste A
Idaho Falls, ID 83402

Re: Proposed change of water rights

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing in protest of the proposed change in water rights referenced in the Feb 2 issue of the News Examiner. I believe the change will be a great benefit to those that sprinkle and unbeneficial to those that flood irrigate. I have had less water for irrigation since the reservoir was built than I had before. Water has been changed from "on turns" to "come and ask for it when you want it". This can and has been a loss of water. Under the early decree over 100 years ago, there was 5614 acres in the company. In more recent years, there have been shares of stock bought from prior shareholders and more acres have been added, for instance, the ground above the North Hill Ditch, because it could not be irrigated before the sprinklers were used. I feel that the stockholders within this area of the mentioned acres should be taken care of before we go outside the area as has always been "first in time-first in right". We need to work for the benefit of all and not just a few. Therefore, I protest the change.

Thank you,



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