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August 20, 2001

Mr. Norm Young
Idaho Department of Water Resources
1301 North Orchard Street
Boise, ID 83706

Re: Picabo Livestock (Nick Purdy) transfer application fees
Project No. 160-04-2000

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Dear Norm:

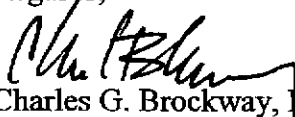
When the above-referenced application was submitted in December 2000, Chuck Sr. spoke with you about what appeared to be rather exorbitant application fees (\$2,400) given the nature of the application. The applicant is seeking only to modify the outline of the permissible place of use to include land recently purchased by Mr. Purdy. No other changes were requested. The analysis to sort out the 33 water rights, determine historical and current irrigated acres, and create the PPU was completed in conjunction with the transfers that were approved in 1998.

I did not anticipate additional analysis being necessary, but the regional office has required a GIS workup since none was done for the 1998 transfers. Our office has performed this service utilizing current (2000) aerial photos and has reached consensus with Jim Stanton as to the location of the PPU boundary. We provided the ArcView files to Mr. Stanton, and he was able to import them into the IDWR system. To date, Mr. Purdy has incurred approximately \$2,900 of engineering charges, about half of which is attributable to the GIS workup.

Mr. Stanton informed me last week that IDWR failed to modify the SRBA claims to reflect the approved 1998 transfer, and that a significant amount of work is now required to clean them up. This is work that should have been done four years ago in conjunction with the previous transfer.

Could you review the fees for this application, and let me know if an adjustment can be made given the circumstances? If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call.

Regards,


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cc: Nick Purdy

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