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Re:

United Water Idaho - Municipal Water Rights

GPH No. 30-74

Dear Karl:

I am writing to thank you for your letter of May 22, 1998 concerning the status of the moratorium in the Boise River Drainage.

UWID is pleased that you have confirmed that the basis for the administrative hold on the processing of new permit applications in Basin 63 has been largely satisfied. We are hopeful that the hold will be lifted in short order.

UWID is supportive of the Department's efforts with respect to developing sound management strategies for Basin 63. Obviously, these strategies have the potential to impact UWID in a number of ways. We wish to make our resources and experience available to the Department in the course of developing these strategies, and hope that you will call upon us for input as early as possible.

We appreciate your guidance with respect to removal of the "domestic only" conditions on existing permits. Removal of these conditions remains a high priority for UWID. We want to work with you on this, and are prepared to make our case to the Department in the administrative forum that you deem appropriate.

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Again, I wish to thank you for addressing the Department's position on these questions. UWID and its staff and counsel look forward to working with you, Norm, and the rest of your staff on these and other important issues.

Very truly yours,

Christopher H. Meyer

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