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C. L. "BUTCH" OTTER Governor DAVID R. TUTHILL, JR. Interim Director

PATRICK D. FUREY 301 E. BROOKHOLLOW DR. BOISE, ID 83706

RE: Plans for measuring devices and controlling works on diversions from Goat Creek and Meadow Creek in the Stanley Basin

Dear Mr. Furey:

The Idaho Department of Water Resources received your letter dated May 31, 2007 describing plans for complying with the February 20, 2007 IDWR order requiring controlling works and measuring devices in Water District No. 170 (the Order). I have reviewed the plans and found that additional information is necessary for approval.

The Order lists five locations from which water rights owned by Mr. Furey and the late Mr. Racine may be diverted. It appears from your letter and attached plans that two of these diversions (GC8 and GC9) are proposed to be consolidated. The letter also suggests that similar controlling works and fish screen structures will be constructed at both of the Meadow Creek diversions (MC2B and MC3). However, it is unclear whether similar structures are proposed to be installed at the third Goat Creek Diversion (GC7B) or if the proposed new consolidated diversion is intended to replace GC7B as well as GC8 and GC9. Additional clarification on the proposed plans for each of the five diversion locations would be helpful.

The plans describe a proposed controlling works and fish screen structure, but do not appear to propose any type of measuring device. The proposed controlling works is acceptable to the Department for the new diversion replacing GC8 and GC9, and a similar structure is acceptable at the remaining diversions. However, in order to comply with the Order, a measuring device must also be installed at each diversion.

Please contact me at your earliest convenience to discuss the status and proposed plans for measuring and controlling these diversions. I would be glad to discuss measurement options with you and assist you in finding the best way to comply with the Order.

Sincerely,

Nick Miller, P.E.

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