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Members of the Board:

At the annual meeting of Water District No. 65, Payette River Basin, the water users voted unanimously to present the following amendments to the Water District No. 65 Rental Pool Procedures to you for your consideration:

PARA 7. PRIORITIES AMONG RENTERS:

7.3 (Repealed)

7.4 (Becomes 7.3) After July 1 of each year all remaining unrented stored water in the Rental Pool shall be available to any water user who desires to rent the water for any beneficial use.

7.5 (Becomes 7.4)

7.6 (Becomes 7.5)

7.7 (Becomes 7.6)

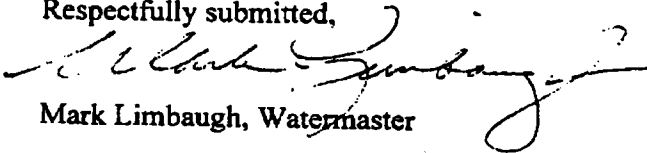
PARA 8. RENTAL FEES AND PAYMENTS TO LESSOR:

8.1 The price of stored water rented from the Rental Pool for use upstream from the mouth of the Payette River is \$2.95 per acre foot, with \$2.00 per acre foot being paid to the Lessors, a \$0.75 per acre foot administrative fee paid to the District and the \$0.20 surcharge due the Board under the Idaho Water Bank rules. The price of stored water rented from the Rental Pool for use downstream from the mouth of the Payette River is \$5.40 per acre foot, with \$4.23 per acre foot being paid to the Lessors, \$2.23 of which is intended to be used by the Lessor for improvements within the Lessor's delivery system, with emphasis given to improvements which would result in better water management, water quality and water use efficiencies, a \$0.75 per acre foot administrative fee paid to the District and the \$0.42 surcharge due the Board. In the case that another rental pool or space holder should lease water for the purpose of arbitrage and consequently seek to secure replacement water from the Rental Pool, the price shall be the amount charged by that rental pool or space holder plus an additional \$0.75 per acre foot administrative fee.

These amendments allow for the price of out of basin rental of storage water from the District to be raised from the current \$2.70 per acre foot to \$5.40 per acre foot. Rentals within the basin would be increased to \$2.95 per acre foot from the current level of \$2.70. These additional monies would allow for continued improvement in measuring devices, diversion structures and automation of facilities, thus improving the overall management of water resources in the Payette River Basin.

Your approval of the above amendments would be greatly appreciated by the water users of Water District No. 65.

Respectfully submitted,



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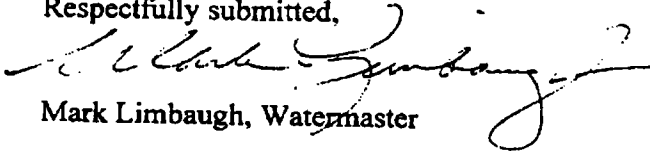
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