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Gem Valley Farms  
C/o Chad Neibaur  
1550 Bancroft Rd  
Bancroft, ID 83217

Re: Transfer 5545 – Severance of Mainline Between Wells

Dear Mr. Niebaur,

Burke Scholer visited you last month and looked at some of your diversions relative to the recent changes made pursuant to approved or pending water right transfers. One of the items that he discussed with you was the severance of the Hanson Wells from the mainline that is connected to the Deep Well and your pivot in the NW1/4 of Section 20. I also sent correspondence to you dated May 15, 2000 and April 5, 2000 requesting confirmation of the severance in accordance with a condition of approval for Transfer No. 5545.

It is my understanding from talking with both Mr. Scholer and Craig Shuler that the severance work can not be viewed because the mainlines are buried. It is my further understanding that you were to forward photographs to the Department of the work completed along with a signed statement or affidavit, and a sketch from a Dale Peterson of Golden West who completed the severance work.

This is a reminder that we still need confirmation of the work completed. We would appreciate your forwarding this information to the Department as soon as you can. If the information can not be sent and/or it is not conclusive, the Department and Water District may ask that you uncover or expose the mainline for physical inspection.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Tim Luke'.

Tim Luke  
Water Distribution

Cc: Craig Shuler, Watermaster  
Harold Jones, Eastern Region