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SOUTHERN REGION

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Director

November 11, 2005

Rick Neff
PO Box 55
Malta, ID 83342

RE: Water District 43-B, Upper Raft River

Dear Mr. Neff;

Enclosed are 2 Watermaster Report forms and 2 Proposed Budget forms for your use. Please submit one of each completed form to this office prior to next year's water meeting.

Regards,

James E. Stanton
Sr. Water Resource Agent



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January 3, 2006

Rick Neff
PO Box 55
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RE: Water District 43-B, Upper Raft River & Clear Creek

Dear Rick;

We have received your 2005 Adopted Budget (unsigned), your 2005 Watermaster's Report, 4 daily-record books, and your 2006 Proposed Budget.

The data presented makes no sense to me. What is the basis for your proposed budget? What is the basis for your adopted budget? The two documents are nearly identical as far as the dollar amounts are concerned. Some people shown on the Report are not shown on the Adopted Budget; they should be shown on both unless they are new users that were not in the district when the budget was accepted.

The Watermaster's Report appears to have numerous errors. You cannot have a credit unless the total cost is LESS THAN the adopted budget amount, but you show credits for several users without showing the adopted-budget data. The amounts you show in the Adopted Budget column are not shown on the Adopted Budget! You show a debit for Cranney Farms of the full amount due, but they should not have received any water if they didn't pay their bill ahead of time – or do you let people have water without paying first?

I will probably be attending your water meeting on the 17th, so we can discuss these documents if you like. New forms are enclosed for your use if you want to try again before then.

Regards,

James E. Stanton
Sr. Water Resource Agent

WATERMASTER'S REPORT

From Jan 7 2005, 2005 to Dec. 31 2005

RECEIVED

DEC 30 2005

Department of Water Resources
Southern Region

Water District No. 43 B

Name of Watermaster Rick Neff

P.O. Address 241150 2450 E Malte, Id. 43342

AFFIDAVIT OF WATERMASTER

STATE OF IDAHO)
COUNTY OF Cassia) ss.

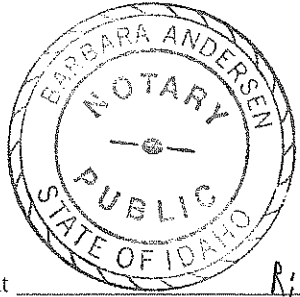
Rick Neff, being first duly sworn, deposes and says that he is Watermaster of Water District 43 B, having been lawfully appointed by Karl J. Dreher, Director, Idaho Department of Water Resources, and that the volumes of water, as stated in this report and prorated by him to the water right holders of the district are correct.

[Signature]
(Deputy) Watermaster District No. 43 B

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 29th day of December 2005

[Signature]
Notary Public

(SEAL)



My Commission expires 7-23-2011

Boise, Idaho, 2-14, 19

I HEREBY CERTIFY, that Rick Neff was lawfully appointed by me as Water Master of Water District No. 43-B, and that the information contained in this report, as herein sworn to, is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, correct.

Karl J. Dreher
Director, Department of Water Resources

By [Signature]

WATER RIGHT OWNER	IDWR WATER RIGHT IDENT No.	DIVERSION NAME / REMARKS
Arimo Corp	30 + 201	Reed River
Arimo Corp	206 + 415	Clear Creek
Branch, Nolan	253 + 177 etal	RR
Duffee, Bruce	337	RR
Hall, Rodney	334 + etal	RR
Hansen, Brian	83	RR
Hansen, Murray	174	RR
Hasper, Alan	165 etal	RR
Hasper, Jay	175	RR
Higley, Mark	37 + 84 + 85 + 86	CC see JESS Sessions
Holmgren, James	33-34 etal	CC
Haskins/Hobson	286 C	CC
Jones, Glenn	178	RR
Jones, William	184-183-182	RR
Knight, Silvia	141	RR
Sessions, JESS	45	CC
Spencer	47	RR
Stewart Reid	116-117-118	CC
Stewart Reid	46-129-130-131	RR
Ward, Roxe	287 etal	RR
Warr,ylene	168 etal	RR
Wiskox, Bill	120	RR
Wallett, Jodee	191 + 310	RR
Cranny Farms	Reed Springs	Reed Springs
total		

Total Delivery in 24-Hour Sec. Feet		Total Cost	Adopted Budget	Credits		Debits		Cost Per 24-Hr. Sec. Ft. \$
\$	cts.	\$	\$	\$	cts.	\$	cts.	
71.53		16 26		10 26				2274
-0-								
249.7		56,78		56,78				\$15324
10-								130 00
63.7		14 45		14 45				\$ 200 00
-0-								
-0-								2023 24
460.78		104 78		104 78				8262 67
139.6		31 69		31 69				\$ 2274
4551.34		1034 66	484 52			545 33		Mountain Valley Potatoes
								or Cranny Farms pays
								\$ 145.00 for the use of
210.26		47 75	18 18					Reed Springs water.
-0-								That money is not
-0-								pre-rated to other
-0-								users and is deducted
1020.76		232 12	104 95					from the total bill.
-0-								The pre-rated amount
526.34		203 60	483 40	271 80				is \$ 1,878.24.
358.02								
192.8		43 80	87 40			60 31		Reed Stewarts
406.7		92 40	9 09					is a total of
-0-								Clear Creek and
-0-								Reed River water
		145 00	145 00				145 00	
		2023 24						

8,262.67

SECTION 42-606 IDAHO CODE

REPORTS OF WATERMASTERS. All watermasters shall make an annual report to the department of water resources prior to the expiration of the watermaster's appointment for the current year. This report shall show the total amount of water delivered by the watermaster during the preceding year, the amount delivered to each water user, the total expense of delivery and the apportionment of expenses among users and all debits and credits to be carried over to the following year. Such report shall also include records of stream flow the watermaster used or made in the process of distributing water supplies. The director may ask for other information deemed necessary in assuring proper distribution of water supplies within the district. The reports of watermasters to the department of water resources shall be filed and kept in the office of the department.

Instructions For Completing Annual Watermaster's Report

This form has been developed to assist the watermaster in complying with some of the annual reporting requirements of Section 42-606, Idaho Code. The form provides for summary of the amount of water delivered by the watermaster to each user, the total expense of delivery and the apportionment of expenses among water users, including debits and credits. Water distribution and hydrologic information including stream flow records, daily diversion data, water right information and water right priority cut summaries should be presented in a separate water distribution report.

Complete this annual report form of delivery and costs as follows:

- 1) Enter water right holder name, corresponding IDWR water right number or numbers, and corresponding diversion name and/or remarks on page 2;
- 2) Enter the total amount of water delivered to each user as total 24-hour second feet under column 1, page 3. Total **24-hour second feet** is a flow rate expressed in terms of one day or 24 hours. For example, a continuous diversion of 2 cfs over 20 days would equal 40 24-hour second feet.
- 3) Under column 3, page 3, enter the amount of money assessed or billed to each user at the beginning of the year. The assessment may be found in the previous year's adopted budget report.
- 4) In the work space provided on the right hand side of page 3, add up total watermaster salary costs and expenses and enter as 'TOTAL COST'. Then divide this total cost by the total number of 24-hour second feet delivered (sum of column 1) to obtain the cost per 24 hour second feet delivered, or the unit cost factor.
- 5) Under column 2, page 3, multiply the unit cost factor (obtained in step number 4 above) by each user's total 24-hour second feet delivery in column 1 to obtain the total cost against each user.
- 6) For each user, subtract the total cost amount in column 2 from the adopted budget in column 3 and enter the difference either as a credit or debit (negative differences entered as debits, positive differences entered as credits).
- 7) Sign the report before a notary public and submit the original to the appropriate regional office of the Department of Water Resources. Retain one copy for the Water District.