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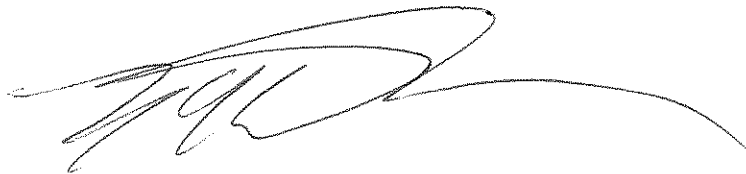
Karl Dreher, Director
Idaho Department of Water Resources
322 E. Front St.
Box 83720
Boise, Idaho 83720-0098

Dear Mr. Dreher,

It is my understanding that Mr. Duke is planning to run for re-election as Water Master of District 34. He certainly has a legal right to do so. However, with all the problems and controversy we are facing in District 34, I feel it is of paramount importance that the Water Master be a non- controversial third party without any ties or relationships in the valley.

If at all possible IDWR should place an individual in that position that isn't packing any baggage and would have at least a chance of being broadly accepted.

Respectfully suggested,



Norman K. Sowards
District 34 water user.

c. Gary Spackman