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Re: IWRB Applications: 1-10612, 1-10609, 1-10613, 1-7142, 21-13160, 21-7577, 21-7578, 21-7580

Dear Mr. Saxton:

Thank you for your letter of February 25, 2013 regarding the above recharge applications filed by the Idaho Water Resource Board (Board). As your letter acknowledges, the Idaho Power Company (Company) filed a Notice of Protest to the original applications filed by the Board that form the basis for the four consolidated applications. With the consolidation of these applications, together with the four applications that were not modified, the Board now has a total of eight (8) applications pending before the Department. Idaho Power Company wishes to continue to participate in the processing of all of the pending applications.

The Board's letter of January 15, 2013 resubmitting the above applications references the 2009 Framework Reaffirming the Swan Falls Settlement, where the State and the Company recognized that it was in their mutual interest to work cooperatively to explore and develop a managed recharge program for the Snake River Basin that achieves, to the extent possible, benefits for all water uses, including hydropower. While the Company's participation with the pending applications will be as a protestant, it is in furtherance of that common objective that the Company participates in the processing of these applications.

Please notify the undersigned of any ongoing administrative action on the above applications.

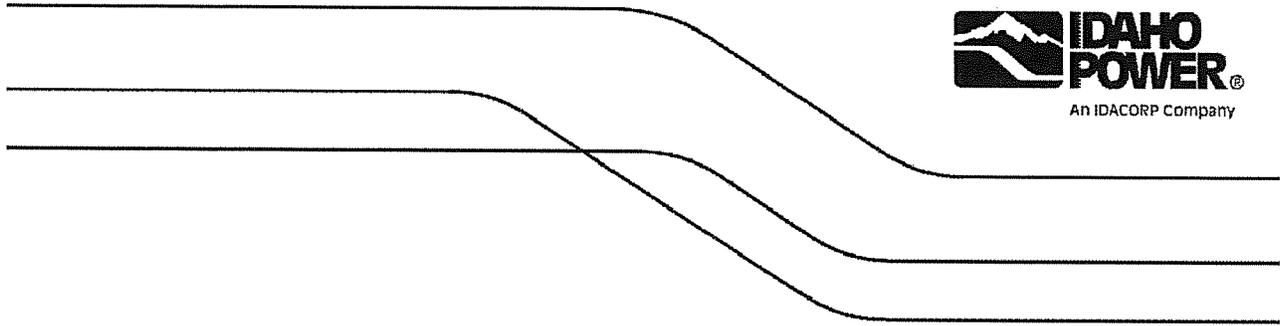
Sincerely,



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IWRB, Chairman Roger Chase, c/o IDWR.



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