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HAND DELIVERED

Re: *Petition for Judicial Review of North Snake and Ground Water Districts,*
Gooding County Case No. _____

Dear Judge Melanson:

Enclosed please find conform stamped copies of the following pleadings filed earlier today with the District Court in Gooding County:

1. Petition for Judicial Review.
2. Ground Water Districts' Motion for Stay.
3. Affidavit of Randall C. Budge.
4. Affidavit of Charles M. Brendecke.
5. Affidavit of Lynn Carlquist.
6. Memorandum in Support of Motion to Stay.

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7. Proposed Order for Temporary Stay.
8. Proposed Notice of Hearing.
9. Certificate of Service.

It is my understanding and expectation that Judge Wood will be immediately assigning the matter to you. Your prompt review and consideration would be greatly appreciated given the urgency of this matter and the likelihood that the Department's Water Master in Districts 130 and 140 may immediately begin curtailment efforts to enforce the Director's August 7, 2009 Curtailment Order by direct action pursuant to the water master general enforcement authority under I.C. §42-607, rather than following the enforcement procedure by notice and consent order pursuant to I.C. §42-1701 B.

We would respectfully request immediate issue of the Order for Temporary Stay with service upon all parties (preferably electronically) per the attached Certificate of Mailing, to remain in effect until the scheduled hearing on the Motion to Stay. You will note per my certificate of mailing, copies of all documents have already been served electronically upon the Department and all parties.

Please set this matter for hearing at your earliest convenience in Twin Falls, giving notice of the same per the enclosed Notice of Hearing.

Should you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me. Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully,



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Enclosures

cc: Parties of Record