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TO: Interested Parties (See Surface Water Coalition Distribution List)

RE: Information Update Regarding 2007 Water Supplies for Twin Falls Canal Company, North Side Canal Company, and American Falls Reservoir District No. 2

Dear Interested Party:

In response to the *Sixth Supplemental Order Amending Replacement Water Requirements and Order Approving IGWA's 2007 Replacement Water Plan*, many interested parties had questions about water supplies for the remainder of the 2007 irrigation season for members of the Surface Water Coalition. Accordingly, on July 23, 2007, I conducted an informational status conference for the purpose of describing the information computed by the Department regarding remaining supply and replacement water obligations for 2007. Questions raised at the conference led to additional review by Department staff.

The purpose of this letter is to provide the results of the additional review conducted to date. The enclosure, entitled "2007 Water Supply Update" is provided in draft form. In the coming weeks, I plan to issue a *Seventh Supplemental Order* for the purpose of providing additional details regarding remaining supply and the computation of replacement water for the 2007 irrigation season. In the meantime, this letter is intended to share the information gathered thus far, in the spirit of providing timely information to the parties and allowing a careful review of remaining supply and replacement water requirements *during* this critical water delivery season.

In response to a question raised at the informational status conference, we have reviewed the basis for the computations of the minimal full supply, and I do not intend to change those computations prior to the upcoming hearing in this matter, now scheduled to commence, based on the stipulated request of the parties, on January 16, 2008.

Responses to this information should be sent to all recipient parties, as this information is intended to become part of the record in this matter. An additional status conference will be scheduled if requested, for discussion of the information herein.

Sincerely,

David R. Tuthill, Jr.
Director

Enclosure: 2007 Water Supply Update