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DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES

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BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES OF THE STATE OF IDAHO

| IN THE MATTER OF BIG WOOD RIVER GROUND WATER MANAGEMENT |) BIG WOOD CANAL COMPANY'S) PETITION TO INTERVENE |
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| AREA |) |
| |) Filing Fee: Exempt) I.C. § 67-2301 |

Big Wood Canal Company (BWCC), a canal company organized and operating pursuant to the laws of the State of Idaho, petitions the Director pursuant to Rules 350 through 354 of the Rules of Procedure of the Idaho Department of Water Resources (IDWR) and other applicable law to enter an order authorizing BWCC to intervene in the above entitled matter.

On May 17, 2022, the Director of the IDWR issued an *Order Establishing Moratorium*. The City of Bellevue filed a Motion for Clarification and Reconsideration and Request for Hearing. The Director granted the request for hearing.

BWCC delivers natural flow surface rights and storage water rights to waterusesrs located in BWCC from diversions located in Basin 37. The interconnection between ground water depletions and surface water flows can materially affect the amount of water stored and the

delivery of natural flow water rights. Because of its unique position in Basin 37, BWCC has an interest in the proceedings and should be allowed to participate in solutions to the declining aquifer and river flows located in the Basin.

BWCC asserts that it should be allowed to intervene in this proceeding in order to participate in any negotiations and hearings that may affect BWCC and that address the water supply in the Basin. BWCC has a direct and substantial interest in the outcome of this proceeding.

For the purpose of this proceeding the name and address of the BWCC shall be:

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Wherefore, BWCC requests that the Director enter an order granting this Petition and authorizing the intervention of BWCC into this proceeding.

Dated August 2, 2022

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that I have this 2nd day of August, 2022, served the foregoing PETITION TO INTERVENE upon the Idaho Department of Water Resources, properly addressed with postage prepaid, as follows:

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