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DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES Via email

#### BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES

### OF THE STATE OF IDAHO

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION FOR DELIVERY CALL OF RANGEN. INC.'S WATER RIGHT NOS. 36-02551 & 36-07694

Docket No. CM-DC-2011-004

AFFIDAVIT OF ROBYN M. **BRODY IN SUPPORT OF MOTION** FOR PROTECTIVE ORDER

| STATE OF IDAHO     | )    |
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|                    | ) ss |
| County of Minidoka | )    |

Robyn M. Brody, being sworn upon oath, deposes and says:

- 1. My name is Robyn M. Brody. I am attorney licensed to practice law in the State of Idaho. I represent Rangen, Inc. ("Rangen"). The matters contained in this affidavit are based on my personal knowledge.
- 2. Attached hereto as Exhibit 1 is a true and correct copy of IGWA's Third Set of Discovery to Rangen.

- Attached hereto as Exhibit 2 is a true and correct copy of portions of IGWA's
  First Set of Discovery.
- Attached hereto as Exhibit 3 is a true and correct copy of a letter from Candice McHugh to Robyn Brody dated January 15, 2013.
- To date, Rangen has paid Ascensio Document Mangement Solutions over \$4,300.00 and paid Steve Seidemann, a forensic computer analyst, almost \$7,500.00.

DATED this day of January, 2013,

Robyn M. Brody

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this 2/s day of January, 2013

| Man GOO | Man | Notary Public for the State of Idaho |
| Residing at: | Man | Man | Man |
| My Commission Expires: 10 - 20 - 2015

#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

The undersigned, a resident attorney of the State of Idaho, hereby certifies that on the 21 day of January, 2013 she caused a true and correct copy of the foregoing document to be served upon the following by the indicated method:

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# BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES OF THE STATE OF IDAHO

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION DELIVERY CALL OF RANGEN, INC.'S WATER RIGHT NOS. 36-02551 & 36-7694

Docket No. CM-DC-2011-004

RANGEN, INC.'S REPLACEMENT SET. OF RESPONSES TO IGWA'S THIRD SET OF DISCOVERY REQUESTS

COMES NOW, Rangen, Inc. ("Petitioner"), by and through its counsel of record, and provides the following Responses to IGWA'S THIRD SET OF DISCOVERY REQUESTS:

RANGEN, INC'S REPLACEMENT SET OF RESPONSES TO IGWA'S THIRD SET OF DISCOVERY REQUESTS - 1

ELIBIT 1

#### **GENERAL OBJECTIONS**

Petitioner objects to the Requests to the extent that they seek information protected by the attorney-client privilege, the work product doctrine or any other applicable privilege or immunity.

Petitioner objects to the Requests as premature, burdensome, and improper to the extent they seek factual information in support of Petitions and Claims that Petitioner has not had opportunity to fully prepare and for which Petitioner may require discovery from Plaintiffs or others. These responses are subject to the discovery or recollection of additional information, knowledge, or facts.

These responses are provided pursuant to the Rules of Procedure of the Idaho Department of Water Resources ("IDWR") and the Idaho Rules of Civil Procedure to the extent incorporated by the IDWR. To the extent the Requests attempt to impose any differing or additional instructions, definitions, or obligations, Petitioner objects to the Requests.

#### **DISCOVERY REQUESTS**

#### INTERROGATORIES

INTERROGATORY NO. 34: Please describe in detail the nature of Rangen's business operation, ownership, water use, research, or other feed or fish propagation practice at Woods Farm Ponds and Decker Springs Farm Ponds including fish production numbers, identify the manager and/or operator of <u>each</u> facility and the water rights that supply <u>each</u> facility.

ANSWER TO INTERROGATORY NO. 34: Objection. This interrogatory is not reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of admissible evidence to the extent it requests information outside of the Research Hatchery where the water rights at issue are used. Without waiving said objection, the only fish propagation facility that Rangen currently owns or operates is the Research Hatchery which IGWA and its experts inspected in June 2012.

RANGEN, INC'S REPLACEMENT SET OF RESPONSES TO IGWA'S THIRD SET OF DISCOVERY REQUESTS -  $2\,$ 

INTERROGATORY NO. 35: Please supplement your answer to Interrogatories No. 21 and 22 and provide the requested information pertaining to each of the facilities identified in Interrogatory No. 34.

ANSWER TO INTERROGATORY NO. 35: Objection. This interrogatory is not reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of admissible evidence to the extent it requests information outside of the Research Hatchery where the water rights at issue are used.

#### SECOND REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION

<u>Request for Production No. 20:</u> Please produce <u>all</u> documents, including but not limited to electronic files and data files relevant to your Answer to Interrogatory Nos. 34 and 35.

RESPONSE TO REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 20: Objection. This interrogatory is vague and ambiguous and is not reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of admissible evidence to the extent it requests information outside of the Research Hatchery where the water rights at issue are used.

Respectfully submitted this 11th day of January, 2013.

BRODY LAW OFFICE PLL

Robyn M. Brony

### **VERIFICATION**

| STATE OF IDAHO ) ss   |  |  |
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| County of Twin Falls )  |  |  |
| Wayne Courtney, being first duly s  | sworn, on oath, deposes and says:            |  |
| That he is the Executive Vice President of Rangen, Inc., that he has read the foregoing RANGEN, INC.'S RESPONSES TO IGWA'S THIRD SET OF DISCOVERY, knows the contents thereof, and the facts stated he believes to be true.  Wayne Courtney |  |  |
| SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to   | before me this                               |  |
| CINDY KOEPPLIN \$ NOTARY PUBLIC \$ STATE OF IDAHO   | Notary Public for State of Idaho Residing at |  |

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OF THE STATE OF IDAHO

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION DELIVERY CALL OF RANGEN, INC.'S WATER RIGHT NOS. 36-02551 & 36-7694

Docket No. CM-DC-2011-004

**IGWA'S FIRST SET OF DISCOVERY REQUESTS** 

TO: RANGEN, INC.

Idaho Ground Water Appropriators, Inc., ("Ground Water Users" or "IGWA"), by and through counsel, pursuant IDAPA 37.01.01 Rules 521 and 522 of the Rules of Procedure of Idaho Department of Water Resources ("IDWR"), and the authorization to conduct discovery given by the Director of the IDWR at the May 22, 2012, status and scheduling conference, submits the following discovery requests to Rangen, Inc. ("Rangen") and its attorney of record.

#### INSTRUCTIONS AND DEFINITIONS

- a. When answering these discovery requests, you must include all information known or ascertainable upon reasonable inquiry to you or your agents, attorneys, investigators, employees, representatives, guardians, or any other person or persons acting on your behalf.
- If you cannot answer any of the following requests in full, after exercising due diligence to secure the information to do so, so state, and answer to the extent

Exhibit 2

<u>Interrogatory No. 15:</u> Identify the locations of all groundwater wells used to supply water to the Rangen facility, and for each such well explain how its groundwater is used within the Rangen facility.

<u>Interrogatory No. 16:</u> Have you ever investigated using groundwater within the Rangen facility? If so, please explain what investigations have been performed and any conclusions reached from those investigations.

<u>Interrogatory No. 17:</u> Describe in chronological fashion the historical development of the Rangen facility, including (but not limited to) all additions, modifications, expansions, and reconfigurations of the Rangen facility.

<u>Interrogatory No. 18:</u> For each development described in your answer to interrogatory number 17, please describe what effect the development had on the operation of and beneficial use of water within the Rangen facility.

<u>Interrogatory No. 19:</u> Has Rangen or to Rangen's knowledge any other person or entity improved or attempted to improve the spring outlets that supply the Water Rights? If yes, please describe all such improvements or attempted improvements.

<u>Interrogatory No. 20:</u> Identify each person who makes fish stocking and rearing decisions at the Rangen facility, and describe his/her qualifications, by whom he/she is employed, and how many years he/she has worked at the Rangen facility.

<u>Interrogatory No. 21:</u> List the name and address of all fish rearing, hatchery, processing, brooding or other such type of facility owned in whole or in part or operated or managed by Rangen, and for each such facility identify its location, the name(s) of its operator(s), and the water rights that supply the facility.

<u>Interrogatory No. 22:</u> For the Rangen facility, describe (using one or more aerial photos if desired) the locations of all of the following items:

- a. Spring outlets that supply the Water Rights.
- b. Points of diversion of the Water Rights.
- c. Points of discharge of the Water Rights.
- d. Course(s) of water flow of the Water Rights between the point(s) of diversion and point(s) of discharge.
- e. Devices used to measure the quantity or quality of water flow.

f. Where any other water quality sampling and measurements are taken;

Interrogatory No. 23: Identify all agencies to whom water quality or quantity data from the Rangen facility are reported to, and the method and frequency of such reports.

<u>Interrogatory No. 24:</u> Describe all types of measurements and water quality samples that are taken with respect to the Rangen facility for purposes of reporting to the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality.

<u>Interrogatory No. 25:</u> Describe all water treatment processes performed within the Rangen facility; the location, reason, and frequency of such treatments; the process of such treatments; and the chemicals, antibiotics, or other products used in such treatments.

<u>Interrogatory No. 26:</u> Describe how the number of fish produced at the Rangen facility has changed over time.

<u>Interrogatory No. 27:</u> Describe how fish production numbers have changed over time utilizing existing rearing containers at the Rangen facility.

<u>Interrogatory No. 28:</u> Are any fish rearing raceway/ponds at the Rangen facility not being utilized due to water volume, flow, or dissolved oxygen constraints?

Interrogatory No. 29: Describe how fish stocking or restocking decisions are made and in which month(s) fish stocking occurs at the Rangen facilty. Please include in the description what density and flow indexes are used at the facility, and any other methods or loading factors used to make such decisions.

<u>Interrogatory No. 30:</u> Explain whether dissolved oxygen and total gas saturation parameters fluctuate during the year and how, where, and how often this data collected.

<u>Interrogatory No. 31:</u> What water turnover rates are used in the fish rearing containers at the Rangen facility?

Interrogatory No. 32: With respect to water right no. 36-02551 describe:

- a. Evidence showing material injury to this water right.
- b. The amount of water available at the source at the time this water right was originally appropriated.
- c. Seasonal fluctuations in the supply of water under this water right at the time it was originally appropriated.

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Re: Rangen CM-DC-2011-004

Dear Robyn:

This letter is sent pursuant to Idaho Rule of Civil Procedure 37(a)(2) in an effort to secure complete answers to IGWA's *Third Set of Discovery Requests*. IGWA requested information and documents relative to two facilities that IGWA recently discovered Rangen at one time owned and/or operated: Woods Farm Ponds and Decker Springs Farm Ponds. However, Rangen has refused to provide information or documents relative to these two facilities because it claims that the information "is not reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of admissible evidence to the extent it requests information outside of the Rangen Hatchery where the water rights at issue are used." Idaho Rule of Civil Procedure 26(b)(1) authorizes discovery of "any matter, not privileged, which is relevant to the subject matter involved in the pending action, whether it relates to the claim or defense of the party seeking discovery...including the existence, description, nature, custody, condition and location of any books, documents, or other tangible things . . ." In this case, Rangen is claiming material injury to the use of its water rights at the Rangen Hatchery and is claiming that the decrease in water supply to the Rangen Hatchery has caused it to not be able to produce as many fish as it desires, among other things.

We respectfully disagree. Information about fish facilities previously owned or operated by Rangen is relevant in this case to allow us to understand Rangen's claim that its current water supply is insufficient to satisfy its beneficial uses. If, for example, Rangen's past fish rearing relied upon capacity at other facilities remote from the Rangen Hatchery, this calls into question your client's assertion that the current water availability is inadequate. These facts may explain Rangen's current capacity to rear fish, perform research or otherwise use its water at the Rangen Hatchery. Discovery as to Rangen's use of water at these other two facilities may also relate to

Exhibit 3

defenses that IGWA may have regarding material injury, including by not limited to whether Rangen's diversion and use at the Rangen Hatchery is reasonable (CM Rule 40.03), efficient (CM Rule 42.01, 42.01.b, 42.01.c, 42.01.e) or can be met by other improvements (CM Rule 42.01.g and h), all of which are part of the Director's evaluation in this case.

Furthermore, at Doug Ramsey's second deposition, he made mention of other facilities and specifically the First Ascent facility which he claimed was erected for Rangen (Tr. p. 279, L. 2-6). He also claimed that Rangen had the research building at First Ascent built "specifically for feeding trials." (Tr. p. 280, L. 7-10). Existing testimony of Rangen's witnesses substantiates IGWA's understanding that Rangen used other facilities to enhance the use of its facilities at the Rangen Hatchery; thus, the ownership and operation of Woods Farm Ponds and Decker Springs may lead to the discovery of related information that is both relevant and admissible.

IGWA is also requesting a supplement to Rangen's answers to include information about the First Ascent property.

Because time is short and expert rebuttal reports are imminent, please provide the complete answers to IGWA's *Third Set of Discovery Requests* and supplement your prior answers relative to the First Ascent property no later than Friday, January 18, 2013.

Thank you for your anticipated courtesy and cooperation in this regard.

Sincerely,

Candice M. McHugh

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