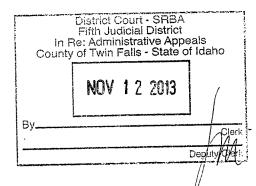
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## IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF GOODING

IDAHO GROUND WATER	) Case No.: CV-2010-382
APPROPRIATORS, INC.,	, )
Petitioners, vs.	) (consolidated Gooding County Cases ) CV-2010-382, CV-2010-383, CV- ) 2010-384, CV-2010-387, CV-2010-
CITY OF POCATELLO,	<ul> <li>388, and Twin Falls County Cases</li> <li>CV-2010-3403, 2010-5520, 2010-</li> <li>5946, 2012-2096, 2013-2305, 2013-</li> </ul>
Petitioner,	) 4417 and Lincoln County Case CV-
VS.	) 2013-155)
	)
TWIN FALLS CANAL COMPANY, NORTH SIDE CANAL COMPANY, A&B	) ORDER GRANTING MOTIONS
IRRIGATION DISTRICT, AMERICAN	) TO CONSOLIDATE
FALLS RESERVOIR DISTRICT #2,	)
BURLEY IRRIGATION DISTRICT,	)
MILNER IRRIGATION DISTRICT, and	)
MINIDOKA IRRIGATION DISTRICT,	
Petitioners,	)
vs.	)
	)
GARY SPACKMAN, in his capacity as	)
Interim Director of the Idaho Department of	)
Water Resources, and THE DEPARTMENT	)
OF WATER RESOURCES,	)
Pagnandanta	
Respondents.	)
IN THE MATTER OF DISTRIBUTION OF	) . )
WATER TO VARIOUS WATER RIGHTS	)
HELD BY OR FOR THE BENEFIT OF	)

A&B IRRIGATION DISTRICT,	)
AMERICAN FALLS RESERVOIR	)
DISTRICT #2, BURLEY IRRIGATION	)
DISTRICT, MILNER IRRIGATION	)
DISTRICT, MINIDOKA IRRIGATION	)
DISTRICT, NORTH SIDE CANAL	)
COMPANY AND TWIN FALLS CANAL	)
COMPANY	)

On October 30, 2013, members of the Surface Water Coalition<sup>1</sup> filed *Motions to*Consolidate in Twin Falls County Case Nos. 2012-2096, 2013-2305, 2013-4417 and Lincoln

County Case No. 2013-155. The *Motions* request that this Court consolidate the aforementioned matters into Gooding County Case No. 2010-382 on the grounds that they arise out of the same events, rely on the same facts and involve common questions of law and fact.<sup>2</sup> On November 1, 2013, the Idaho Department of Water Resources, the City of Pocatello and the Idaho Ground Water Appropriators, Inc. filed a *Joint Response to Surface Water Coalition's Motion to*Consolidate, wherein they agreed that the aforementioned matters should be consolidated into Gooding County Case No. 2010-382. Therefore, all the parties jointly support the *Motions to*Consolidate.

The Court notes that although the *Motions to Consolidate* are filed in contravention of this Court's *Orders* staying all proceedings in Twin Falls County Case Nos. 2012-2096, 2013-2305, Lincoln County Case No. 2013-155 and Gooding County Case No. 2010-382, the Court will consider the *Motions* notwithstanding the imposed stays since all the parties jointly support the *Motions*. However, this Court's stay *Orders* previously entered in those matters remain in place pursuant to this Court's *Order Denying Motions to Lift Stay* entered contemporaneously herewith.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that Twin Falls County Case No. 2012-2096, 2013-2305, 2013-4417 and Lincoln County Case No. 2013-155 are hereby consolidated into Gooding County Case No. CV-2010-382.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The term Surface Water Coalition refers collectively to Petitioners A&B Irrigation District, American Falls Reservoir District #2, Burley Irrigation District, Milner Irrigation District, Minidoka Irrigation District, North Side Canal Company and Twin Falls Canal Company.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The Court notes that on July 29, 2010, the Court entered an *Order* consolidating Gooding County Cases CV-2010-383, CV-2010-384, CV-2010-387, CV-2010-388, and Twin Falls County Case CV-2010-3403 into Gooding County Case CV-2010-382.

DATED 11/11/12/2013

ERIC J. WILDMAN

District Judge

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