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

| AMERICAN FALLS RESERVOIR DISTRICT #2,  | Case No. CV-2013-155                          |
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| Petitioner, ) vs.  | MOTION TO CONSOLIDATE /<br>MOTION TO EXPEDITE |
| ys. )<br>)   | MOTION TO EXTENSE                             |
| GARY SPACKMAN, in his capacity as Director of the Idaho Department of Water Resources, and THE IDAHO DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES,  | (Methodology Step 5)                          |
| 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 |   |
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COMES NOW, the Petitioner, American Falls Reservoir District #2, by and through its undersigned attorney of record, and moves this Court for an order consolidating the above

captioned appeal with *Idaho Ground Water Appropriators, Inc., et al. v. Spackman, et al.* (Consolidated Case Number CV-2010-382).

## MOTION TO CONSOLIDATE

Consolidated Case No. CV-2010-382 involves 8 separate appeals. Each challenges the legality and application of the Director of the Idaho Department of Water Resources' Amended Final Order Regarding Methodology for Determining Material Injury in Reasonable In-Season Demand and Reasonable Carryover (June 23, 2010) ("Methodology Order"). Each case, including this case, challenges the Director's continued application of the Methodology Order.

This appeal and each of the consolidated appeals arose out of the same events — i.e. the Coalition's water call, the subsequent Methodology Order issued by the Director and the Director's application of that Methodology Order. All cases address material injuries to senior priority surface water rights as caused by junior priority ground water rights, using the Methodology Order and how the Director addressed material injury pursuant to his Methodology Order. Since they arose out of the same events, rely on the same facts and involve common questions of law and fact, consolidation of this case with the other consolidated appeals is appropriate and will avoid unnecessary cost and delay to the parties. For these reasons, the Petitioner requests that the Court grant this motion to consolidate.

This motion is brought pursuant to I.R.C.P. 42 (a) and other applicable law.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The 8 consolidated appeals include: *IGWA v. IDWR* (Case No. 2010-382) (Gooding County District Court); *IGWA v. IDWR* (Case No. CV-2010-383) (Gooding County District Court); *TFCC et al. v. IDWR* (Case No. CV-2010-384) (Gooding County District Court); *City of Pocatello v. IDWR* (Case No. CV-2010-387) (Gooding County District Court); *City of Pocatello v. IDWR* (Case No. CV-2010-388) (Gooding County District Court); *TFCC et al. v. IDWR* (Case No. CV-2010-3403) (Twin Falls County District Court); *TFCC, et al. v. IDWR* (Case No. CV-2010-5520) (Twin Falls County District Court); *TFCC, et al. v. IDWR* (Case No. CV-2010-5946) (Twin Falls County District Court).

## MOTION TO EXPEDITE

The Petitioner further requests the Court to expedite consideration of this motion so that it may be heard and decided as soon as possible. The Petitioner requests oral argument on this motion.

DATED this 30<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2013.

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