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BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES

OF THE STATE OF IDAHO

IN THE MATTER OF THE BIG WOOD GROUND WATER MANAGEMENT AREA

IN THE MATTER OF APPLICATIONS FOR PERMITS FOR THE DIVERSION AND USE OF SURFACE AND GROUND WATER WITHIN THE SNAKE RIVER BASIN

SURFACE WATER COALITION'S INITIAL WITNESS DISCLOSURE

COME NOW, 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 (hereafter collectively referred to as "Surface Water Coalition" or "Coalition"), by and through their undersigned counsel of record, and pursuant to the Director's March 31, 2023 *Scheduling Order* hereby provides the following list of witnesses that may be called at the hearing in this matter. The Coalition reserves the right to supplement this list as necessary.

Expert Witnesses:

With respect to the issue (a) identified on page 3 of the *Scheduling Order* the Coalition may call the following witnesses who are expected to be able to testify about "municipal" water rights issued by IDWR, as well as policies and guidance regarding the same:

Mat Weaver, Idaho Department of Water Resources Shelley Keen, Idaho Department of Water Resources James Cefalo, Idaho Department of Water Resources Dave Shaw, ERO Resources

It is not known at this time what documents may be relied upon by the above-listed IDWR employees for any testimony to be offered. Mr. Shaw provides the following initial list of documents that may be relied upon for any testimony to be offered.

- Young, Norm, September 27, 1996, *Application Processing Memorandum No. 61*, Idaho Department of Water Resources.
- Judge Eric J. Wildman, December 28, 2021, *Memorandum Decision & Order*, Canyon County Dist. Ct., Third Jud. Dist., Case No. CV14-21-05008

With respect to any issues concerning municipal water rights diverting groundwater within the Eastern Snake Plain Aquifer (as defined by ESPAM 2.2), the Coalition may call the following witness who is expected to be able to testify about the hydrology and hydrogeology of the ESPA and its hydraulically connected surface water sources, including the Snake River.

Dave Colvin, LRE Water

Mr. Colvin provides the following initial list of documents that may be relied upon for any testimony to be offered. Eastern Snake Plain Aquifer Model documentation, downloadable from IDWR's website (<u>https://idwr.idaho.gov/water-data/projects/espam/documents/</u>) as of May 3, 2023. Documents (with appendices and listed references) will include:

- Sukow, 2021a. Model Calibration Report, Eastern Snake Plain Aquifer Model Version
 2.2, Idaho Department of Water Resources.
- Sukow, 2021b. *Comparison of Eastern Snake Plain Aquifer Model Version 2.2 with Version 2.1 via the Curtailment Scenario*, Idaho Department of Water Resources.
- Sukow, 2021c. Comparison of Superposition Model with Fully-Populated Model for Eastern Snake Plain Aquifer Model Version 2.2, Idaho Department of Water Resources.
- Sukow, 2021d. *Predictive Uncertainty Analysis, Eastern Snake Plain Aquifer Model Version 2.2*, Idaho Department of Water Resources.
- McVay, 2018. Evapotranspiration for the Enhanced Snake Plain Aquifer Model Version
 2.2, Idaho Department of Water Resources.

Lay Witnesses:

None at this time. The Coalition reserves the right to identify any necessary lay witnesses as discovery continues.

DATED this 8th May, 2023.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this 8th day of May, 2023, I caused to be served a true and correct copy of the foregoing SURFACE WATER COALITION'S INITIAL WITNESS DISCLOSURE by the method indicated below, and addressed to each of the following:

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