### **BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES**

### OF THE STATE OF IDAHO

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IN THE MATTER OF ACCOUNTING
FOR DISTRIBUTION OF WATER
TO THE FEDERAL ON-STREAM
RESERVOIRS IN WATER
DISTRICT 63

ORDER GRANTING SURFACE WATER COALITION'S JOINT PETITION TO INTERVENE

On December 4, 2013 the A&B Irrigation District, American Falls Reservoir District #2, Burley Irrigation District, Minidoka Irrigation District, Milner Irrigation District, North Side Canal Company, and Twin Falls Canal Company (collectively, the "SWC") timely filed a Joint Petition to Intervene ("Petition") in the referenced matter. No opposition to the petition was filed.

Rule 353 of the Department's Rules of Procedure provides:

If a timely-filed petition to intervene shows direct and substantial interest in any part of the subject matter of a proceeding and does not unduly broaden the issues, the presiding officer will grant intervention, subject to reasonable conditions, unless the applicant's interest is adequately represented by existing parties. If it appears that an intervenor has no direct or substantial interest in the proceeding, the presiding officer may dismiss the intervenor from the proceeding.

## IDAPA 37.01.01.353.

The SWC argues that is has a "direct and substantial interest" in this proceeding because there may be "common issues" between this contested case proceeding and the contested case proceeding in Water District 01. *Petition* at 2. The SWC states that it "will not 'disrupt' or 'prejudice' the existing parties or 'unduly broaden the issues.'" *Id*. The Director concludes the SWC has a direct and substantial interest in the above-referenced matter and will not unduly broaden the issues. Although not addressed by the SWC, the Director finds that the SWC's position is unique and that it has an interest that is not adequately represented by existing parties.

# ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the SWC's Petition to Intervene is GRANTED.

Dated this  $17 \frac{\text{\text{lk}}}{\text{\text{day of October 2014.}}}$ 

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# CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this <u>174</u> day of October 2014, I served the foregoing Order Granting Surface Water Coalition's Joint Petition to Intervene to the following and by the method indicated below:

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