BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES
OF THE STATE OF IDAHO

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 )

COMES 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 (hereinafter collectively referred to as the “Surface Water Coalition” or “Coalition”), and hereby propose the following schedule for the hearing on the Director’s May 2, 2005 Amended Order:

SURFACE WATER COALITION’S PROPOSED SCHEDULE FOR HEARING ON DIRECTOR’S MAY 2, 2005 AMENDED ORDER
DATE       DEADLINE FOR:
7/15/05     Director issues order regarding independent hearing officer, parties to the case, prehearing schedule and discovery
7/18/05     Discovery period opens
10/31/05    Deadline for all dispositive motions
11/14/05    Responses to dispositive motions due
11/28/05    Replies to responses due
11/11/05    All parties submit expert reports containing the following information:
            1. Opinions of the expert
            2. Nature and basis of opinions
            3. Materials relied upon for opinions
12/02/05    All parties submit rebuttal expert opinions if necessary
12/16/05    All parties identify exhibits that may be used
            Parties may submit proposed orders to govern procedures at the hearing
12/20/05    Discovery and responses to discovery cut-off
1/06/05     Pre-hearing conference at IDWR
1/13/06     Parties submit written opening argument and, if desired, trial brief
1/23/06     Hearing commences

REQUEST FOR STATUS CONFERENCE BEFORE ISSUANCE OF SCHEDULING ORDER

The Coalition requests that the Director set a status conference to discuss the above proposed schedule, other parties’ proposed schedules, and the basic procedures concerning this proceeding going forward immediately following the issuance of the order(s) on the remaining preliminary issues: 1) Disqualification of the Director as the Hearing Officer; 2) Idaho Power’s standing; 3) IGWA’s Motion to Consolidate.

Counsel for the Coalition, Reclamation, and Idaho Power held a status conference with counsel for IGWA and the City of Pocatello in an effort to resolve differences in the proposed schedules. The Coalition does not believe direct written testimony is necessary or required,
especially given the proposed January hearing date, and the available time to conduct proper
discovery, formulate expert reports, and file necessary motions. In addition, the Coalition and
the other parties have a fundamental difference of opinion of the nature of the case and whether
or not expert reports should be submitted in a staggered schedule or simultaneously.
Accordingly, the Coalition requests the opportunity to discuss these matters at a status
conference with the other parties and the Director in order to set a final schedule that is fair and
practical.

DATED this 29th day of June 2005.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on this 25th day of June, 2005, I served a true and correct copy of the foregoing Surface Water Coalition’s Proposed Schedule for Hearing on Director’s May 2, 2005 Amended Order on the following by the method indicated:

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