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## IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF BONNEVILLE

BLACK HAWK HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC. an Idaho nonprofit membership corporation; IRON RIM RANCH HOME OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC., an Idaho nonprofit membership corporation,

Petitioners,

v.

THE IDAHO DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES,

Respondent.

IN THE MATTER OF APPLICATIONS FOR PERMIT NO. 25-14428

In the name of Black Haw HOA and Iron Rim Ranch HOA.

Case No. CV-2017-1141

MEMORANDUM IN SUPPORT OF MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME IN WHICH TO FILE PETITIONERS' REPLY BRIEF AND TO CONTINUE ORAL ARGUMENT

Petitioners, Black Hawk Homeowners Association, Inc. and Iron Rim Ranch Home Owners Association, Inc. (together, the "<u>Associations</u>"), by and through their counsel of record, Holden, Kidwell, Hahn & Crapo, P.L.L.C., submit this memorandum—as required by Idaho Rule of Civil Procedure 84(0)—in support of the *Motion for Extension of Time in which to File* 

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As described in the Affidavit of Robert L. Harris in Support of the Motion for Extension and Continuance (the "Harris Aff."), the Associations are negotiating with a third party to purchase a ground water right from the third party. Harris Aff., ¶ 5. The Associations believe that they can transfer this groundwater right to the proposed place of use for Permit No. 25-14428, which may resolve this case. Harris Aff., ¶¶ 5-6. Because of this settlement possibility, the Associations require more time to continue the purchase negotiations. This is in keeping with the goals of "provid[ing] a just, speedy and inexpensive determination of [this] petition[] for review." Idaho Rule of Civil Procedure 84(r).

The Associations ask for a fifty-seven day extension of the due date of Petitioner's reply brief, from July 6 to August 8, 2017. The reason the Associations are seeking an extension of this number of days is because, based upon prior emails between counsel in response to the State of Idaho's motion for extension of time, as the months of July and August were generally unavailable for all counsel (including counsel for the Associations) because of previously-scheduled matters and summer activities. *Harris Aff.*, ¶ 10.<sup>1</sup>

Additionally, while counsel for the Associations agreed to keep the original reply brief deadline of July 6, 2017 in response to the State of Idaho's motion for extension of time, there is

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> It was partly because of the difficulty in finding other dates that would work for everyone that counsel for the Associations preliminarily agreed to keep the July 13, 2017 oral argument date.

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more in the response briefing to respond to than originally anticipated, which will require sufficient additional time to respond. Counsel also has other pressing matters for other clients that need attention, and will not be able to complete the reply brief by the July 6, 2017 deadline. *Harris Aff.*,  $\P$  13.

Oral Argument is currently scheduled to occur in this matter at 1:30 p.m. on Thursday, July 6, 2017. *Harris Aff.*,  $\P$  13. Because the Associations seek to extend the due date for their reply brief past the schedule time for oral argument, such extension would also necessitate a continuance of the oral argument, which can be rescheduled at the convenience of Court and counsel on or after September 7, 2017.

For these reasons, the Associations ask the Court to grant their requested extension and continuance.

Dated this \_\_\_\_\_ day of June, 2017.

Robert L. Harris, Esq.

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### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that I served a copy of the following described pleading or document on the attorneys and/or individuals listed below, by the method indicated, a true and correct copy thereof on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of June, 2017.

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