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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE

OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF ADA IDAHO GROUND WATER APPROPRIATORS, INC., Petitioner. **OBJECTION TO THE** VS. **CLERK'S RECORD** IDAHO DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES, and MATHEW WEAVER in his capacity as the Director of the Idaho Department of Water Resources. Respondents, CITY OF POCATELLO, CITY OF BLISS, CITY OF BURLEY, CITY OF CAREY, CITY OF DECLO, CITY OF DIETRICH, CITY OF GOODING, CITY OF HAZELTON, CITY OF HEYBURN, CITY OF JEROME, CITY OF PAUL, CITY OF RICHFIELD, CITY OF RUPERT, CITY OF SHOSHONE, CITY OF WENDELL, A&B IRRIGATION DISTRICT, BURLEY IRRIGATION DISTRICT, MILNER IRRIGATION DISTRICT, NORTH SIDE CANAL COMPANY, TWIN FALLS CANAL COMPANY, AMERICAN FALLS **RESERVOIR DISTRICT #2, MINIDOKA IRRIGATION** DISTRICT, BONNEVILLE-JEFFERSON GROUND

and

Case No. CV01-23-07893

STIPULATED I.A.R. 29

WATER DISTRICT, and BINGHAM GROUNDWATER DISTRICT

Intervenors.

IN THE MATTER OF THE DISTRIBUTION OF WATER TO VARIOUS WATER RIGHTS HELD BY AND 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

IN THE MATTER OF IGWA'S SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT MITIGATION PLAN

On April 5, 2024, Idaho Ground Water Appropriators, Inc. ("IGWA"), filed *IGWA's Notice of Appeal*, appealing to the Idaho Supreme Court the Snake River Basin Adjudication ("SRBA") District Court's November 16, 2023 *Memorandum Decision and Order* and *Judgment*, and March 5, 2024 *Order Denying Petition for Rehearing* entered in this case. On July 1, 2024, the *Clerk's Record on Appeal* ("*Clerk's Record*") was lodged with the district court. Pursuant to I.A.R. 29, the parties listed in the above caption, by and through their respective counsels of record, hereby jointly object to the *Clerk's Record*.

The parties request the *Clerk's Record* be altered to include the Excel documents that were filed with the Ada County District Court as part of the *Settled Agency Record on Appeal* ("*Agency Record*"), lodged with the district court on July 11, 2023. *See Notice of Lodging Settled Agency Tr. & R. with Dist. Ct.*, at 2. A copy of the transmittal letter, that was sent together with a DVD containing the *Agency Record* to both the Ada County District Court and SRBA District Court,¹ is attached as Attachment A to this stipulation. The transmittal letter explains the inclusion of the Excel spreadsheet program files in the *Agency Record*.

¹ SRBA District Court staff confirmed that their case file includes the Excel documents in question.

The clerk's *Certificate of Exhibits* states:

That the following documents will be submitted as EXHIBITS to the Record.

- 3. Agency Record Excel Documents-Copy of 000435
- 4. Agency Record Excel Documents-Copy of 000840
- 5. Agency Record Excel Documents-Copy of 000841
- 6. Agency Record Excel Documents-Copy of 000842
- 7. Agency Record Excel Documents-Copy of 000843
- 8. Agency Record Excel Documents-Copy of 000844
- 9. Agency Record Excel Documents-Copy of 000845

R. at 267. However, the supporting documents that were simultaneously served with the *Clerk's Record* do not include any documents formatted for Excel. Instead, pages 1292–1298 of the *Clerk's Record* Exhibits, which according to the *Clerk's Record* Index are Exhibits 3–9 listed above, appear to be single-page PDF file conversions of the first worksheet of each XLSX file that was lodged as part of the *Agency Record*. The *Agency Record* Excel spreadsheet program files each contain multiple worksheets with copious amounts of data that cannot reasonably be converted into PDF files. Therefore, the parties request that the original Excel spreadsheet program files lodged with the district court as part of the *Agency Record*—produced as "000435.xlsx", "000840.xlsx", "000841.xlsx", "000842.xlsx", "000843.xlsx", "000844.xlsx", and "000845.xlsx"—be included as exhibits to the *Clerk's Record* to ensure that the record on appeal is complete and accurate.

DATED this 23rd day of July 2024.

STATE OF IDAHO OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

GARRICK L. BAXTER Deputy Attorney General

DATED this 23rd day of July 2024.

RACINE OLSON, PLLP

/s/ Thomas J. Budge

Thomas J. Budge Elisheva M. Patterson *Attorneys for Petitioner*

DATED this 23rd day of July 2024.

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Candice M. McHugh Chris M. Bromley Attorneys for Cities of Bliss, Burley, Carey, Declo, Dietrich, Gooding, Hazelton, Heyburn, Jerome, Paul, Richfield, Rupert, Shoshone, and Wendell

DATED this 23rd day of July 2024.

DYLAN ANDERSON LAW

/s/ Dylan Anderson

Dylan Anderson Attorney for Bingham Groundwater District

DATED this 23rd day of July 2024.

OLSEN TAGGART PLLC

/s/ Skyler C. Johns

Skyler C. Johns Nathan M. Olsen Steven L. Taggart *Attorneys for Bonneville-Jefferson Ground Water District* DATED this 23rd day of July 2024.

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/s/ Sarah A. Klahn

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DATED this 23rd day of July 2024.

MARTEN LAW LLP

/s/ Travis L. Thompson

John K. Simpson Travis L. Thompson Attorneys for A&B Irrigation District, Burley Irrigation District, Milner Irrigation District, North Side Canal Company, and Twin Falls Canal Company

DATED this 23rd day of July 2024.

FLETCHER LAW OFFICE

/s/ W. Kent Fletcher

W. Kent Fletcher Attorney for American Falls Reservoir District #2 and Minidoka Irrigation District

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this 23rd day of July 2024, I caused to be served a true and correct copy of the foregoing via iCourt E-File and Serve, upon the following:

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July 11, 2023

VIA USPS MAIL

Ada County District Court Clerk of the Court 200 W Front St. Boise, ID 83702

RE: Idaho Ground Water Appropriators, Inc. vs. Idaho Dep't of Water Res.; Case No. CV01-23-07893

Dear Clerk:

Enclosed for filing is a DVD containing the Idaho Department of Water Resources' *Settled Agency Hearing Transcript on Appeal* and *Settled Agency Record on Appeal* and the file titled "Agency Record Excel Documents" in this matter. On July 11, 2023, the transcript was already submitted in whole via iCourt, however, the record was too large to submit so only the corresponding cover page, table of contents, and index were submitted via iCourt. The *Settled Agency Record on Appeal* is one searchable PDF document with PDF bookmarks and clickable document links throughout the table of contents and index. The file labeled "Agency Record Excel Documents" includes the excel record documents that could not be included in the record PDF. Individual, bates stamped files of the record documents are also included in a separate folder on the DVD as an extra convenience only.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter. Please contact me at (208) 287-4815 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Sarah Tschohl, Paralegal Idaho Department of Water Resources

Enclosures

cc: SRBA District Court Clerk of the Court P.O. Box 2707 Twin Falls, ID 83303

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Attachment A