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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

BONNEVILLE JEFFERSON GROUND WATER DISTRICT,

Case No. CV10-24-2909

Petitioner,

vs.

A&B IRRIGATION DISTRICT. AMERCIAN FALLS RESERVOIR **DISTRICT #2, BURLEY IRRIGATION** DISTRICT, MILNER IRRIGATION DISTRICT, NORTH SIDE CANAL COMPANY, AND TWIN FALLS CANAL COMPANY (COLLECTIVELY THE "SURFACE WATER COALITION"), THE IDAHO GROUND WATER APPROPRIATORS, INC., an Idaho nonprofit corporation, FREMONT-MADISON **IRRIGATION DISTRICT, JEFFERSON-**CLARK GROUND WATER DISTRICT, BINGHAM GROUND WATER DISTRICT, AMERICAN FALLS-ABERDEEN GROUND WATER DISTRICT, MAGIC VALLEY GROUND WATER DISTRICT, NORTH SNAKE GROUND WATER DISTRICT, CAREY VALLEY GROUND WATER DISTRICT, JOHN AND JANE DOES 1-50,

### STIPULATION TO STAY CASE AND JOINT MOTION FOR ORDER APPROVING STIPULATION AND STAYING PROCEEDINGS

Respondents.

## COME NOW, Petitioner BONNEVILLE-JEFFERSON GROUND WATER DISTRICT

and Respondents 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,"

"Coalition," or "SWC"), by and through counsel of record, pursuant to I.R.C.P. 12(a)(1)(a) and

other applicable law, hereby stipulate and move as follows:

 The Petitioner served its summons and *Petition* on the Surface Water Coalition on or about June 4, 2024.

- Counsel for the Surface Water Coalition filed notices of acceptance of service and notices of appearance on or about June 10, 2014.
- Members of the Surface Water Coalition filed a *Motion to Disqualify Honorable* Judge Dane H. Watkins Jr. Without Cause and a Motion to Change Venue (and related documents) on or about June 10, 2024.
- 4. The Petitioner and SWC have engaged in settlement negotiations on matters concerning water right administration for the 2024 irrigation season and in the interests of continued negotiations and judicial economy regarding this matter stipulate to stay this case to at least October 1, 2024.
- 5. The Petitioner and SWC hereby move the Court to stay these proceedings until further notification as described above. Petitioner further hereby stipulates that the Surface Water Coalition shall have 21 days following the expiration of the stay upon notice of the Petitioner and SWC to answer the Petition or file a responsive pleading.
- 6. The Petitioner and SWC agree that the stay requested herein will be effective upon signing by counsel for Petitioner and SWC and agree to request that the Court sign an order adopting the terms of this stipulation once notice is received of reassignment of this case to a new judge.
- Not all other parties have been served a copy of the summon and petition nor have all named parties appeared in this matter.

ORAL ARGUMENT IS NOT REQUESTED.

#### [SEE NEXT PAGE FOR SIGNATURES]

DATED this 20<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2024.

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# **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that on this 20<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2024, the foregoing was filed electronically using the Court's e-file system, and upon such filing the following parties were served electronically.

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