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Sent:

Thursday, October 29, 2009 11:59 PM

To:

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Subject:

PUC Comment Form

A Comment from Gena Schuette follows:

Case Number: BCS-W-09-02

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Name of Utility Company: Bar Circle S Water Co.

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Please describe your comment briefly:

It is 3:33 am & I lay awake worrying after attending the City Hall Hearing just 10 hrs ago. I invited you, the Commissioners, to visit our neighborhood see that you can SEE ALL of the beautiful properties in which each homeowner works tirelessly to upkeep during the few summer months N Idaho has and to FEEL the dirt with your hands and HEAR the strength of the winds which dry us up so horribly that we are a timberbox fearing the flames.

I don't have granite countertops or fancy wood flooring. What I do have is my very own lawn that was once entirely trees removed by my hands! I am not the only one with the safety of parklike land nor in fact am I even one of the biggest water user in our development according to Bob Turnipseed (as Marsha carefully hinted this evening).

Please, I ask you again to visit our neighborhood. Find land that is undeveloped in the summer & step one foot into it.

You will SEE our endless trees (I call them match sticks).

You will FEEL what kind of dirt we have. I call it 'poof dirt' because it literally 'puffs a cloud of dirt' when you step.

You will HEAR the roar of our hot summer winds that dry our land out within an hour watering. If we homeowners let our land go, we'd live in a filthy timberbox ready to ignite by our amazing summer lightening storms. Look on Google Earth(FYI: The image is 5 years old.)or Map Quest. Much of the 5 acres properties is developed into horse pastures & decorative lawns, fruit orchards & gardens. I forwarded an aerial photo of my land via email so that you can see what I am talking about.

I have a great deal of concern in reading the REPORT DATED 10/23/09 written by the Staff. On Page 28 there is a graph labeled MONTHLY USEAGE PER CUSTOMER. I would like to know where this information came from because it does not represent the homeowners summer water useage accurately - not even close. The graph peaks at 100,000 gallons per customer. The homeowners I've talked to easily use double what the REPORT states in summer months. We 5 acres to manage. What do you expect.

Please, please within your research remember this, THE MAJORITY OF BSC WATER USERS NEVER EVER REACH THE MINIMUM WATER USEAGE IN ALL THE OTHER MONTHS OF THE YEAR. Just summer. What BCS has proposed is truly overkill. Mr Turnipseed is merely trying to pay for his new

developments by sticking it to the existing development with whom we've pay our dues. His land is not selling because the economy is bad.

We, the middle class hard working homeowners feel this crunch terribly & we are all worried about it a great deal. My limited yet outrageously expensive family health insurance (we are very healthy) plan 'Regence NOW Select' a limited coverage through Regence Blue Shield (husband, son & myself) will be less expensive than my water bill should the commission go forward as the Report finds.

I address you, the Commissioners to step foot into our lives during the summer months and you will realize we are not excessive people, we are smart, hard working families caring for our land so that we do not loose it & our homes to firestorms. The threat is always present to us and we must remain vigil. Please do not put us in the position of being unable to afford our water and unable protect our land from danger. Please realize we cannot afford it. We just can't.

MAJORITY OF BSC WATER USERS NEVER REACH THE MINIMUM WATER USEAGE IN ALL THE OTHER MONTHS OF THE YEAR -

Thank you again for your careful consideration.

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From:

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Sent:

Friday, October 30, 2009 5:07 AM

To:

Jean Jewell

Subject:

Bar Circle S Water Case #: BCS-W-09-02

Attachments:

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Importance:

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Dear Commissioners.

Attached, please find a picture of my property that was entirely treed & "rough" when I bought my home August 2002. I cleared this land of trees (pecker poles) with my own hands one tree at a time during the summer of 2004 finishing in 2005. I then brought 180 dump truck loads of top soil, installed a sprinkler system and seeded to obtain my dream land. Please attach the picture to my filed comments submitted online. I want each of you to see what I am referencing when I talk about my land.

Respectfully,

Gena Schuette 973 W Dolan Road Rathdrum, ID 83858

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