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Terre Grande water system proposed for sale to United Water

Boise – Staff from the Idaho Public Utilities Commission will conduct a public workshop on March 18 for customers of the Terra Grande water system located south of Overland Road, east of Milwaukee Street and north of Targee Street in Boise.

The owner of the water service, Barbara V. Child, is selling the water system, with about 117 residential customers, to United Water. Public Utilities Commission staff will answer questions at the public workshop scheduled for March 18 at 7 p.m. at the Boise School District Services Center, 8169 West Victory Road.

United Water has filed an application with the commission to expand its certificate to include the Terre Grande water system and requests approval of related rates and charges. United Water is proposing to charge Terre Grande customers a flat **bi-monthly** rate of \$54.29 until meters can be installed. Terre Grande customers are currently charged a flat rate of \$26 **per month** during the four summer months and \$14 **per month** for the eight non-summer months.

The purchase price for the system is \$47,000 and United Water also plans to invest up to \$122,000 in capital improvements for system upgrades and meters. The upgrades include capping Terre Grande's four wells and switching customers to United Water supply. United Water is asking the commission to include in its rate base the full purchase price and the cost of system improvements.

The commission is also accepting written comments on this matter through Friday, April 2. Persons wishing to submit comments can do so via e-mail by accessing the commission's homepage at www.puc.state.id.us and clicking on "Comments & Questions." Fill in the case number (UWI-W-04-2) and enter your comments. Comments can also be mailed to P.O. Box 83720, Boise, ID 83720-0074 or faxed to (208) 334-3762.

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