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**BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**

**IN THE MATTER OF UNITED WATER IDAHO )  
INC.'S AND BRIAN SUBDIVISION WATER ) CASE NO. UWI-W-14-01  
USERS ASSOCIATION'S APPLICATION TO )  
ALLOW UNITED WATER TO TAKE OVER ) COMMENTS OF THE  
BRIAN WATER'S DOMESTIC WATER ) COMMISSION STAFF  
SYSTEM. )**

The Staff of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission comments as follows on United Water Idaho Inc.'s and Brian Subdivision Water Users Association's Application to allow United Water to take over Brian Water's domestic water system.

**BACKGROUND**

On September 29, 2014, United Water Idaho Inc. ("United Water") and Brian Subdivision Water Users Association ("Brian Water") applied to the Commission for an Order authorizing United Water to connect to, and take over the operation of, Brian Water's domestic water system. On October 17, 2014, the Commission notified interested persons about the Application and invited them to comment on it through November 28, 2014. *See* Order No. 33154.

In their Application, United Water and Brian Water (collectively, the "Applicants") explain that the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality ("IDEQ") has required Brian Water to eliminate contaminants from its domestic water system, and that the most feasible way for Brian Water to do this is to connect its system to United Water. The Applicants have entered