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FROM:SCOTT WOODBURY

DATE:March 28, 1997

RE:CASE NO. UWI-W-97-1

AMENDMENT TO CERTIFICATE OF CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY

NO. 143

On March 21, 1997, United Water Idaho Inc. (United Water; UWI; Company) filed an  Application in Case No UWI-W-97-1 with the Idaho Public Utilities Commission (Commission) requesting authorization to amend and revise its Certificate of Convenience and Necessity No.143 (as amended) by enlarging and extending its certificate service area boundaries to include the Ada County residential subdivision of Duncan’s Landing and surrounding development in close proximity thereto, and area contiguous to its present system and certificated territory.  Ref. Application-Exhibit C legal description; Idaho Code 61-526; Commission Rules of Procedure IDAPA 31.01.01.112.

United Water contends that the area requested is not within the authorized territories of any other public utility water corporation under the jurisdiction of the Commission and will not interfere with the operation of any water utility corporation under the Commission’s jurisdiction.  The Company contends that there are no known public utilities, persons or corporations with whom the expansion is likely to compete.

United Water represents that it has entered into a year to year water supply agreement with the city of Garden City, whereby the Company has obtained an adequate source of supply to provide potable domestic water service to the area of expansion.  (Maximum daily consumption .50 mgd; maximum monthly consumption 15 mgd @ $.35 per 1,000 gallon delivered) Ref. Application Exhibit B.

Facilities within the Duncan’s Landing Subdivision will be financed and acquired in accordance with Company Rules and Regulations Governing the Rendering of Water Service and Water Main Extensions.  Customers within the area of expansion will take service at the rates and upon the terms the conditions contained in United Water’s rates schedules and Rules and Regulations Governing the Rendering of Water Service as the same exists or may hereafter be amended and approved by the Commission.

United Water contends that the requested extension is consistent with the public convenience and necessity.  United Water contends that the proposed expansion will not burden the Company’s existing body of rate payers.

United Water requests that its Application be considered and approved on an expedited basis.

Commission Decision:

Staff recommends that the Company’s Application in this matter be processed under the Commission’s Rules of Modified Procedure.  Does the Commission agree?  If not, what is the Commission’s preference?

Scott Woodbury

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