



State of Utah

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

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Donald Landes, Mayor
Parowan City
PO BOX 576
Parowan, UT 84761

Re: Surrender of Minor Water Power Project no: P-1273-UT

Dear Mayor Landes:

I am writing this letter on behalf of the State Engineer's Office and the Utah Division of Water Rights. Sunrise Engineering prepared a document on de-commissioning of the Parowan City hydro project referenced above. We received a letter from Sunrise Engineering in August of 2011, requesting comments on this project and we have only one comment related to water rights.

Parowan City should understand that if the rights associated with the Power Generation are forfeited, the rights cannot simply be reinstated afterwards. The Division suggests if a new generator is anticipated, then a "non use application" be filed, which would be better at preserving the associated water rights for a new plant sometime in the future. Please contact our Cedar City office for additional details and to file a non use application if you so desire.

We appreciate the opportunity to provide this comment. I can be reached at (801) 538-7430.

Sincerely,

Mike Silva
Distribution System Engineer

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