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Louis M Sorensen  
2800 Riverwalk Place  
East Wenatchee, WA 98802

**RE: Trust Water Right Number CS4-SWC11311**

Dear Mr. Sorensen,

The purpose of this letter is to acknowledge your request to remove 10 acre-feet of water from The Department of Ecology's (Ecology) Trust Water Right Program (TWRP) under the trust water right referenced above. Ecology understands that you will resume irrigation of Parcel Number 262209515135 within the NE ¼ of Section 9, T.26 N., R. 22E.W.M. in Chelan County, during the 2014 irrigation season.

It is our understanding that you now own the parcel which is approximately five acres within the original place of use (26 acres) for Surface Water Certificate S4-SWC11311. It appears that your father, Louis L Sorensen, deeded the parcel to you after the water right was put into the TWRP. It would be helpful for our records if you could send Ecology a copy of the deed or other documents that shows you have acquired a portion of the water right with the acreage.

Any remaining portion of the original water right that you may own will continue to be considered as instream flow of Columbia River in Ecology's TWRP until October 15, 2030. If at some point you would like to return the 10 acre-feet of irrigation water to the TWRP you will need to complete a new trust water application in your name. Please keep in mind that five consecutive years of nonuse of all or a portion of your water right could make it subject to relinquishment under Chapter 90.14 RCW, so putting unused water into the trust program is beneficial to both the river and protecting a valid water right from relinquishment.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Patricia Kirk by phone at (509) 249-6299 or email at [patriciakirk@ecy.wa.gov](mailto:patriciakirk@ecy.wa.gov).

Sincerely,

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Office of Columbia River

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