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June 6, 2013

Mr. Jim D. Conger
Conger Management Group
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Dear Mr. Conger:

This letter responds to your letter of May 3, 2013 and to our meeting on May 29, 2013. As we discussed, the Festival appreciates the concessions you have offered. Nonetheless, we remain very concerned about having residential neighbors in close proximity. We are willing to listen to new information, and have specifically suggested that a sound study and a design charrette may be useful to address the Festival's primary concerns. But we cannot guarantee that even these efforts will eliminate our deep-seated concern that we cannot live harmoniously with such close-by residential neighbors.

As we discussed, the sewage ponds also are a major issue, for everyone in the area. We understand that you plan to allow the ponds to dry naturally over the summer. If you intend to take any other action, please notify us immediately. Please understand that we will do everything in our power to ensure that odors from the ponds do not disrupt the Festival this season.

We were shocked at some of the things you said in the meeting on the 29th. Among other things, you said that if the Festival did not support your project, you would consider (1) disturbing the sludge in the waste ponds to create odors; (2) removal of the berm, landscaping and irrigation adjacent to the Festival, and (3) operation of a motorcycle course on the property. Please be advised we would consider any of these actions to be unlawful and we will evaluate legal action if you attempt any of them. If we have misunderstood anything and you would like to set the record straight, please do so.

Please understand, our board and our community have an extraordinary resolve to protect the Festival in this location. It is a treasure for our community. As trustees, we can only support development that assures the long-term viability of the Festival. Unfortunately, the current proposal falls far short and we will oppose it in its current form. If you are ready to go back to the drawing board, we are willing to listen.

The Festival may also be supported through gifts to the Foundation for the Idaho Shakespeare Festival.

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We ask that this letter be placed in the record for applications CAR13-00007 and PUD13-00002 at the City of Boise.

Sincerely,



Lynn Johnston
President, Board of Trustees

cc: Mr. Derick O'Neill, Director, Boise Planning and Development Services ✓
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