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Tyler Fortunati
Department of Environmental Quality
1410 N. Hilton
Boise, ID 83706

RE: Drinking Water: Docket No. 58-0108-2502

Dear Mr. Fortunati,

On behalf of the City of Chubbuck, I would like to express our support for the rulemaking to revert the 80 psi maximum distribution system pressure limit to its previous level of 100 psi. Our public water system is primarily designed for pressures exceeding 80 psi, and complying with the current limit would impose a significant burden on the City and reduce overall system performance.

Chubbuck's water system has been designed and constructed as a well-looped network with pressures governed by a gravity fed storage tank farm. Reducing the maximum pressure in our system to 80 psi would necessitate extensive infrastructure modifications at a substantial cost to our customers. Additionally, the existing pumps would operate inefficiently as they would be operating at conditions they were not designed for. Furthermore, the current fire flows our system provides would be greatly reduced, resulting in many fire hydrants that would perform below the minimum design standards.

For these reasons, the City of Chubbuck is in strong support of the proposed change to revert the maximum distribution system pressure limit to 100 psi. This change would allow us to continue to maintain and expand our water system following the same parameters as have been used throughout the life of the system. Thank you for considering our comments on this issue.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Bridger Morrison".

Bridger Morrison, PE
Public Works Director/City Engineer