



January 5, 2026

Luis Bettencourt, Owner  
Bettencourt Dairies, LLC  
2930 South 2300 East  
Wendell, Idaho 83355

RE: Facility No. 053-00057, Bettencourt Dairy #2  
PR-2025.0050, Project 63716  
Dairy Permit by Rule Registration (PBR) Notification

Dear Mr. Bettencourt:

The Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) received a PBR Registration form for the Bettencourt Dairy #2 dairy farm through the Idaho Department of Agriculture on December 11, 2025. The registration contains the following information:

1. Owner: Luis Bettencourt  
Bettencourt Dairy #2  
75 North 400 West  
Jerome, Idaho 83338
2. NUMBER OF COWS: 8,000  
ANIMAL UNITS: 7,200
3. PERCENTAGE OF FARM THAT IS DRY LOT: 20%  
FREESTALL SCRAPE: 80%  
FREESTALL FLUSH: 0%
4. TOTAL BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES (BMPs) POINTS REGISTERED: 28.3  
(Minimum 27 points required)

This registration for Permit by Rule is effective immediately. We recommend that you maintain a copy of this letter and a copy of the enclosed registration form for your records.

Please be advised that you must comply with Section 764 of the Rules for the Control of Ammonia from Dairy Farms by employing the requisite point total of BMPs. These Rules are located within the Rules for the Control of Air Pollution in Idaho. You can download a copy of

the rules by visiting the rules page on DEQ's web site at <http://www.deq.idaho.gov>.

Please be advised that the Idaho Department of Agriculture intends to conduct a qualifying inspection of your dairy farm to ensure the requisite point total of BMPs are employed.

If you have any questions regarding this letter or the Rules for the Control of Ammonia from Dairy Farms, please do not hesitate to contact Zach Klotovich, Stationary Source Engineering Manager, Department of Environmental Quality, at (208) 373-0502. Questions regarding inspections should be directed to Mitchell Vermeer, Dairy Bureau Chief, Idaho State Department of Agriculture, at (208) 332-8551.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mike Simon". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Mike Simon  
Administrator  
Air Quality Division

cc: Mitchell Vermeer, ISDA, [mitchell.vermeer@isda.idaho.gov](mailto:mitchell.vermeer@isda.idaho.gov)