BEFORE THE WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT OF THE STATE OF OREGON

| In the Matter of Transfer Application |) | FINAL ORDER APPROVING AN |
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| T-12306, Yamhill County |) | ADDITIONAL POINT OF DIVERSION |

Authority

Oregon Revised Statutes (ORS) 540.505 to 540.580 establish the process in which a water right holder may submit a request to transfer the point of diversion, place of use, or character of use authorized under an existing water right. Oregon Administrative Rules (OAR) Chapter 690, Division 380 implement the statutes and provides the Department's procedures and criteria for evaluating transfer applications.

Applicant

ACMPC OREGON 3, LLC PO BOX 717 35711 HELMS DR JEFFERSON, OR 97352

Findings of Fact

- 1. On March 11, 2016, ACMPC OREGON 3, LLC, filed an application for an additional point of diversion under Certificate 31321. The Department assigned the application number T-12306.
- 2. Notice of the application for transfer was published on March 22, 2016, pursuant to OAR 690-380-4000. No comments were filed in response to the notice.
- 3. On March 7, 2017 the Department contacted the agent regarding a deficiency with the application.
- 4. On March 8, 2017 the Department received an amended application page sufficient to satisfy the deficiency.
- 5. On August 11, 2017, the Department e-mailed a copy of the draft Preliminary Determination proposing to approve Transfer Application T-12306 to the applicant. The draft Preliminary Determination cover letter set forth a deadline of September 11, 2017, for the applicant to respond. The applicant requested five years to complete full beneficial use and that the Department proceed with issuance of a Preliminary Determination and provided the necessary information to demonstrate that the applicant is authorized to pursue the transfer.

This final order is subject to judicial review by the Court of Appeals under ORS 183.482. Any petition for judicial review must be filed within the 60-day time period specified by ORS 183.482(1). Pursuant to ORS 536.075 and OAR 137-003-0675, you may petition for judicial review or petition the Director for reconsideration of this order. A petition for reconsideration may be granted or denied by the Director, and if no action is taken within 60 days following the date the petition was filed, the petition shall be deemed denied.

6. The portion of the right to be transferred is as follows:

Certificate: 31321 in the name of LOWELL M. NEWMAN (perfected under Permit

S-27293)

Use: SUPPLEMENTAL IRRIGATION of 18.0 ACRES

Priority Date: APRIL 5, 1961

Rate: 0.23 CUBIC FOOT PER SECOND

Limit/Duty: The amount of water used for irrigation, together with the amount secured

under any other right existing for the same lands, shall be limited to ONE-EIGHTIETH of one cubic foot per second per acre, or its equivalent for each acre irrigated and shall be further limited to a diversion of not to exceed 2.5 acre-feet per acre for each acre irrigated during the irrigation

season of each year.

Source: LAMBERT SLOUGH, tributary to the WILLAMETTE RIVER

Authorized Point of Diversion:

| Twp | Rng | Mer | Q-Q | DLC |
|-----|-----|-----|-------|-----|
| 5 S | 3 W | WM | SE NW | 52 |

Authorized Place of Use:

| | SUPP | LEMEN | TAL I | RRIGATION | 1 | |
|-----|------|-------|-------|-----------|-------|-------|
| Twp | Rng | Mer | Sec | Q-Q | DLC | Acres |
| 4 S | 3 W | WM | 21 | NE NW | 49 | 10.6 |
| 4 S | 3 W | WM | 21 | NW NW | 49 | 0.2 |
| 4 S | 3 W | WM | 21 | SE NW | 49 | 7.2 |
| | | | | | Total | 18.0 |

7. Transfer Application T-12306 proposes an additional point of diversion approximately 3.5 miles downstream to:

| Twp | Rng | Mer | Sec | Q-Q | Tax Lot | Measured Distances |
|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------|---------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 4 S | 3 W | WM | 16 | SW SE | 1200 | APOD NO. 1 – 950 FEET NORTH AND 1980 FEET WEST FROM THE SE CORNER OF SECTION 16 |

- 8. Transfer Application T-12306 does not propose a change in source to divert water from the Yamhill River. The owner will continue to divert water at the authorized point of diversion on Lambert Slough and convey the water through Palmer Creek which flows into the Yamhill River. An additional point of diversion will be used to withdraw the water out of the Yamhill River below the confluence of Palmer Creek.
- 9. The Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW) has determined that a fish screen is necessary at the new point of diversion to prevent fish from entering the diversion and that the diversion is not currently equipped with an appropriate fish screen. This diversion may be eligible for screening cost-share funds.
- 10. To prevent enlargement of the water right and injury to other water rights, the Watermaster is requiring totalizing flow meters at the original point of diversion on Lambert Slough and at the proposed additional point of diversion on the Yamhill River. The Director may require the water user to install additional totalizing flow meters or other suitable measuring devices to prevent injury to other water rights. If the Director notifies the water user to

install totalizing flow meters or other measuring devices, the water user shall install such devices specified by the Director within the period allowed in the notice. Once installed, the water user shall maintain the meters or measuring devices in good working order and shall allow the Watermaster access to the meters or measuring devices.

Transfer Review Criteria [OAR 690-380-4010(2)]

- 11. Water has been used within the last five years according to the terms and conditions of the right. There is no information in the record that would demonstrate that the right is subject to forfeiture under ORS 540.610.
- 12. A pump, pipeline, and sprinkler system sufficient to use the full amount of water allowed under the existing right was present within the five-year period prior to submittal of Transfer Application T-12306.
- 13. The proposed change, as conditioned, would not result in enlargement of the right.
- 14. The proposed change, as conditioned, would not result in injury to other water rights.

Conclusion of Law

The additional point of diversion proposed in Transfer Application T-12306 is consistent with the requirements of ORS 540.505 to 540.580 and OAR 690-380-5000.

Now therefore it is ordered:

- 1. The additional point of diversion proposed in Transfer Application T-12306 is approved.
- 2. The right to the use of the water is restricted to beneficial use at the place of use described, and is subject to all other conditions and limitations contained in Certificate 31321 and any related decree.
- 3. Water right Certificate 31321 is cancelled. A new certificate will be issued describing that portion of the right not affected by this transfer.
- 4. The quantity of water diverted at the additional point of diversion, together with that diverted at the original point of diversion, shall not exceed the quantity of water lawfully available at the original point of diversion.
- 5. Water use measurement conditions:
 - a. **Before water use may begin** under this order, the water user shall install a totalizing flow meter, or, with prior approval of the Director, another suitable measuring device, at each point of diversion (new and existing).
 - b. The water user shall maintain the meters or measuring devices in good working order.
 - c. The water user shall allow the Watermaster access to the meters or measuring devices; provided however, where the meters or measuring devices are located within a private structure, the Watermaster shall request access upon reasonable notice.

- 6. The Director may require the water user to install additional totalizing flow meters or other suitable measuring devices to prevent injury to other water rights. If the Director notifies the water user to install totalizing flow meters or other measuring devices, the water user shall install such devices specified by the Director within the period allowed in the notice. Once installed, the water user shall maintain the meters or measuring devices in good working order and shall allow the Watermaster access to the meters or measuring devices.
- 7. Prior to diverting water, the water user shall install an approved fish screen at the new point of diversion and shall provide to the OWRD a written statement from Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW) that the installed screen meets the state's criteria, or that ODFW has determined a screen is not necessary.
 - The water user shall operate and maintain the fish screen at the new point of diversion consistent with ODFW's operational and maintenance standards. If ODFW determines the screen is not functioning properly, and is unsuccessful in working with the water user to meet ODFW standards, ODFW may request that OWRD regulate the use of water until OWRD receives notification from ODFW that the fish screen is functioning properly.
- 8. Full beneficial use of the water shall be made, consistent with the terms of this order, on or before **October 1**, **2023**. A Claim of Beneficial Use prepared by a Certified Water Right Examiner shall be submitted by the applicant to the Department within one year after the deadline for completion of the change and full beneficial use of the water.
- 9. After satisfactory proof of beneficial use is received, a new certificate confirming the right transferred will be issued.

| Dated at Salem, Or | egon this <u>L</u> day of December, 2017 |
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